

MINUTES of Minnewasta Parent Advisory Council
Tuesday, March 12, 2024
7:00 PM
In person meeting at Minnewasta School Music Room

Present: Jenn Kroetsch, Tiffany Peters, Stephanie Funk, Stephanie Wieler, Jeri Martens, Amy Rachul, Kari Kauenhofen, Ashton Krahn, Kersti Dyck

Regrets: Geoff Sutton, Kyle Turnbull
Guests:

SUBJECT:	SUMMARY OF DISCUSSION	DECISION & NEXT STEPS	ASSIGNED TO / DUE
1.0 Call to Order	Stephanie F. called the meeting to order at 7:14pm		
2.0 Additions to Agenda	Hot lunch added to new business		
3.0 Acceptance of January 9, 2024 meeting minutes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tiffany motioned to accept minutes • Stephanie W. seconded the motion 		
4.0 Treasurer's Report – Jeri Martens	<p>Not for profit chequing account: \$41,615.41 Business Platinum Saving: \$97.59</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Banman Meats sausage fundraiser did well! PAC made a profit of \$4672 • Jeri has not yet moved the \$29,000 from the chequing account into the savings account, as discussed during the January meeting, but she will do that yet! 		Jeri will move money into savings from chq account
5.0 Teacher/Principal's Report – Jenn Kroetch	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Currently Minnewasta has 341 students enrolled in the school, with more registrations coming in often. • Minnewasta's social media: Twitter & Instagram • Parent Volunteers: a reminder that respect in schools, criminal check and child abuse check still need to be done in order to volunteer, (you can sign a declaration at beginning of year if no changes) – this will be important for field trips coming up near the end of the school year! The 		

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	<p>school is hoping there will be some parent volunteers to help with field trip as it's not always feasible for just E.A.'s to attend with the classes.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ PAC could post a heads up for the parents regarding this: that field trips are coming up, so please make sure your checks are all done if you are able to volunteer! • Student-Involved Conferences are March 14th evening & 15th morning Thank you for PAC providing supper for the staff for this! • Gymnastics happened during the gym classes during the month of February - No accidents! Yay! • Thank you for the gift certificates for I love to read month for the students. 	<p>PAC will post a reminder for parents who wish to volunteer for field trips to please have their checks and respect in schools complete.</p>	
6.0 New Business			
6.1 March Newsletter items	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No PAC newsletter - we will just let Jenelle know the news items for the monthly school newsletter • Next month we will talk about posting new PAC positions and trying to recruit some new parents! 		
6.2 March Staff Appreciation – Kari Kauenhofen	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Menu for Thursday evening conferences: chili on a bun and chili/cheese nachos- Kari did ask for parent volunteers to provide this meal, as this will be the last time parent volunteers are needed until June • Kari will possibly ask PAC members to bring in a dessert for staff during the month of May • Kersti suggested the possibility of using Meal Train program for a food sign up for parents. It would be able to reach more parents that didn't necessarily sign up for volunteering on the volunteer sheets from the beginning of the year. It would also send reminders the day before to parents that signed up. 		
6.3 Confirm 2024-2025 PAC Meeting dates	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Every second Tuesday of the month – will be the same for next year 		
6.4 Hot Lunch – Kersti Dyck	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hot lunch coming up this Thursday, March 14th. • April 18th will be the next one, then another in May and none for June 		

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	<p>will be planned</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Kersti will not continue with coordinating hot lunch next year, and so if someone wants to train alongside Kersti in these last couple months that would be helpful. Two people to organize this would be best. • Suggestion from Kersti – to have a separate email to send hot lunch e-transfers to to help keep things organized. 		
7.0 Spring Fundraiser – Stephanie Wieler	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Not any of our fundraisers did as well this year as they did last year • \$4672 was our profit from the Banman Meats sausage fundraiser • The meat was donated, we just paid for the packaging for Banman Meats. So a big thank you to Banman Meats! • Discussion: could the wording be changed in our note to parents to be more clear for the number of packages? (As 3 sausage links make up 1 package) – Stephanie will think about this for next year if we do this fundraiser again. • Question for group: Do we want to do another fundraiser? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Came to agreement that if we had a goal for our fundraiser money then we would consider it, but right now we don't think it's needed 	No PAC fundraisers until next year	
8.0 After School program Committee Opportunity	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Stephanie F presented a request that a group of people in Morden are trying to put together an after school child care committee, they wanted to see if it was a possibility to have a representative from our school – is there any interest? • After discussion, it was decided that no, we will not have have someone interested for this year. 	No one from our PAC members interested in joining the after school care committee at this time	
9.0 Next Meeting	April 9 th , 2024 @ 7:00pm		
10.0 Adjournment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Stephanie F adjourned the meeting at 8:22pm 		