École Van Belleghem Parent Advisory Council

Date: Wednesday, January 11, 2017

Time: 6:30 pm

Present:

Michèle Olson (Principal)

Louise DeClercq (Vice Principal)

Pamela Kolochuk (President)

Jennifer Campbell (Vice President)

Tanya Stokotelny (Secretary)

Nicole Caron (Member at Large)

Kathy Ward (Member at Large)

Susan Baird (Member at Large)

Monique Heise (Member at Large)

Shannon Palahitski (Member at Large)

Kelly Pedrick (Member at Large)

Heather McDonald (Member at Large)

Joan Lewicki

Christian Michalik (LRSD Assistant Superintendent)

Sandy Nemeth (LRSD Vice Chairperson)

Tom Parker (LRSD School Trustee)

Absent:

Kristy Beriault (Treasurer)

Cheryl Gervais (Member at Large)

Emily Alderson (Member at Large)

Urooj Danish (Member at Large)

<u>Item</u>	<u>Discussion</u>
1.	Call to Order – Attendance & Introductions
	Meeting called to order at 6:36pm.
	Round table introductions were made. Attendance sheet was passed around.
2.	Approval of Agenda
	Heather added Glenlea Greenhouse fundraiser to the agenda.
3.	Approval of Minutes of Previous Meeting
	Kathy moved to approve the November 2016 minutes, seconded by Shannon, all in favour, motion carried.

4. Christian Michalik – Assistant Superintendent

Mr. Michalik has been coming to EVB PAC meetings since 2005. He reported that it is a fact that with current enrolment and projections, we will run out of room by 2020; the capacity at Beliveau is 360 students. We are currently waiting to hear about plans to expand Guyot and Howden to K-8 as well. Mr. Michalik reported that plans have begun to transition EVB to a K-8 school. He asked for feedback on how the transition to having grade 7 classes has been going. Discussion followed about changes, renovations, concerns. Some concerns that were brought up included the size of the gym, science equipment, literacy resources. Mr. Michalik reported that an architect has been consulted and it is possible to expand the gym.

Tom Parker and Sandy Nemeth mentioned how important parental involvement is at every stage of these transitions and encouraged parents and our school community to participate in the meetings that will be held about these changes.

5. School Report

Michèle Olson reported:

December:

- -Grade 3's collected \$500 for the Ladybug foundation. They made ornaments and sold them in the school.
- -Grade 5 student made ornaments and sold them to buy dinners for the Salvation Army. She raised over \$900.00
- -concert news, we had a lot of positive feedback about the concerts January:
- -we have a new gym floor
- -Festival du voyageur is February 17-26th
- -lunch clubs will be starting soon
- -we are always looking for coaches to help with our grade 7 sports teams
- -we have over 70 kids in the grade 5 and 6 bookclub. Thank you to all of the volunteers!
- -welcome to Mme Lindsey Waldie who is replacing Mme Christine until the end of June
- -welcome to M. Mathew Fiola will be replacing M. Mike until February 21
- -a reminder to parents to not park in the transit bus stop in front of the school. This is causing problems for our grade 7 students as the bus will not stop if the cars are parked at the stop.

6. Treasurer's Report

(see January 11, 2017 Treasurer's Report prepared by Kristy Beriault)

Pam provided a summary of the current Treasurer's Report as follows:

The Operations Account balance is currently \$5,435.02.

The Fundraising Account balance is currently \$11,113.63. That balance will be transferred to the LRSD trust account. Currently we have \$18, 414.02 allocated to the new school sign.

7. Committee Reports

i) Pizza Day

Shannon reported that the December Pizza Day brought in \$587.50. Next pizza day is January 27th. Ordering will be done online. The delivery of the pizza may change, especially for grade one, we will revisit the issue at the next meeting to see how it went.

ii) Fundraising

a) Yoga Night: Susan reported that Family Yoga Night will be on Thursday, February 2nd from 6:30-8:00pm in the EVB gym. We will ask for donation to Winnipeg Harvest; \$5 donation per family and food donations. M. Brett Delisle-Bougen will act as yoga instructor and will work with some of the Video Production students to create video

instructions. The plan is to have student helpers during the evening and to break for smoothies. An explanation about Yin Yoga will be included in the information that is sent to parents. b) Movie Night: Nicole reported that the next movie night will be on Thursday, April 20th. A movie hasn't been chosen yet. Discussion followed about having 2 movies; one for early years and one for middle years students. It is possible to use both the main gym and the smaller gym. Nicole will inquire at Island Lakes to ask how it worked at that school. The plan is to have the West Jet draw that evening. c) West Jet: Pam reported that the raffle tickets and the license have been applied for and we should hear by the end of January. The raffle tickets would go out to families in March and would be sold to until beginning of April. The draw would take place on Thursday, April 20th. d) Playground Update: Pam reported that the playground is finished and the paid in full. e) Applebee's: Pam reported that the Applebee's pancake breakfast fundraiser will take place at the Pembina location on March 18th. Sales would happen online; \$15/adult, \$10/child. f) Other: Pam introduced the idea of applying for a \$25,000 technology grant from Staples. The grant will be award for schools that are environmentally friendly, who have and use eco-initiatives. The deadline is January 31st. Some of the initiatives that we have at EVB are recycling, school yard clean-up, composting, garbage pick up, etc. iii) Hot Lunch Program Munch A Lunch has been successful so far. The next one is Pita Pit then Subway & Menchies. The Munch A Lunch newsletter went out to all families with information and dates until spring break. 8. Other Business/ Announcements -Nicole and Joan reported that they have 64 students in their Lego Club. Joan is looking for more adult volunteers. Suggestion was made to ask grade 7 students to help with small groups during club meeting times. Also, the club needs more Lego. Tanya moved to spend \$600 on Lego for the club and Nicole seconded it. The motion will go out by email and will be voted on. -Teacher Appreciation will take place Thursday, April 13th. -Heather reported that the Glenlea Greenhouse catalogues will come the last week of February. We have 245 families at EVB so we will order 300 catalogues. Once the orders are placed, we will plan for a Wed. May 24th delivery -The next PAC Meeting will be Wednesday, February 1, 2017 at 6:30pm. 9. Adjournment The meeting was adjourned by Pam at 8:37pm.

These minutes were recorded by Tanya Stokotelny. Errors or omissions should be reported immediately.