

# Westgate Parent Association Meeting

## Tuesday, January 9, 2018

Present: Heidi Grieser (Chair), Jodi Lee, James Friesen (Staff Rep), Rachel Franz, Andrew Krahn, Mardina Andrews, Susan Crichton, Trina Neufeld, Deb Glatz, Noreen Dueck, Deanna Penner

---

### 1.0 Welcome

- Welcome and introductions around the table.

### 2.0 Approval of the Minutes

- Jodi moved that the November 8, 2017 minutes be accepted; Seconded – Trina. Approved and carried.
  - All wish list items were approved by consensus.

### 3.0 Approval of the Agenda

- Jodi moved that the January 9, 2018 agenda be accepted; Seconded – Rachel. Approved and carried.

### 4.0 Reports

#### 4.1 Chair/Vice Chair Report (Heidi Grieser/Jodi Lee)

- Heidi now has website access and has been uploading the minutes & other information. Will continue to work on the look and feel of the website throughout the year
- Christmas party was a great time – looking forward to next year's gathering.

#### 4.2 Secretary – no report

#### 4.3 Treasurer Report (Andrew Krahn)

- Crosstown signing authority – a few last signatures needed. Will be finalized by end of January.

#### 4.4 Staff Representative report – James Friesen

- Checked into the lighting in the parking lot – timer has been reset. PA members commented that they have noticed a difference. Keep in mind that we do not want the lights shining into people's homes hence the current placement of the lighting.
- Wednesday, January 17<sup>th</sup> – open house for community to see new building.
- Wish lists – received some pictures which will be posted on the PA website. Teachers and students are very thankful.
- Tables for science/art room – more than expected – price was lower and some were damaged in delivery.
- PA member commented that JV girls/boys should ask for new basketball uniforms when the next round of wish lists come out.
- Lounge furniture in place; furniture committee working on quotes. AV still finishing up projectors and lights. Temperature has been fixed.
- Google for Education account is currently being set up. Students will also have access.

## 5.0 Ongoing Business

### 5.1 Update on Grade Events

- Grade 9 event January 28
- Grade 12 – February – likely a Sunday afternoon @ Westgate with open gym.
- Grade 8 – March – thinking of a few options, but nothing finalized
- Can use Westgate – contact James to find out what dates are available.
- PA will supply drinks & paper products

### 5.2 Sobey's Fundraiser – final report?

- Down \$2000-3000 from last year; made \$1800 this year.
- Perogy and sausage profit was down as well.
- Some thoughts discussed around the table:
  - Fatigue in the fundraisers? Or are there different church volunteers?
  - Building project may be cutting into people's willingness to support fundraisers.
  - Perogies & Sobey's run close together.

### 5.3 Constitution Review

- Two years ago started to look into the constitution; last year on hold given the move to Chapman location.
- Need to revisit the constitution review because PA changing direction. Currently don't have a document to back up the committee and policy
- Initial constitution review already done.
- Heidi will send out email asking for volunteers to help read it over, proofread, help craft the next version – hope to appeal to someone looking to help but cannot commit to a large project.

## 6.0 Upcoming and New Business

### 6.1 Fruit and Cheese Fundraiser - Deanna

- Fruit costs have gone up \$12 box – given to us at cost. Last year's fruit quality was good – year before had lots of rotten fruit.
- Fruit – majority of profit vs cheese sales. Fruit is also largest fundraiser of the three fundraisers PA runs.
- Deanna was at a board meeting with Bob and she is under the impression that he would like to see it dropped. Particularly with donations needed for the capital campaign.
- Momentum made \$6000 – September 2017.
- PA can only run 3 fundraisers per year.
- We are going to explore using Momentum Fundraising – perhaps cookie dough. Mardina will report in the February meeting what options are available.
- Motion to not go ahead with Fruit & Cheese fundraiser in 2018 due to higher prices; agreed by consensus.

### 6.2 Spring Workshop

- Last few have been poorly attended; will not have a workshop this spring.
- We are also doing grade/community events.
- Will review at the end of the school year – perhaps have one workshop in April – between basketball & ultimate.

### **6.3 Dates of remaining meetings:**

- Tuesday, February 13
- Wednesday, March 14 – wish lists reviewed
- Tuesday, April 10
- Wednesday, May 9
- Tuesday, June 5 (AGM)

### **7.0 Adjournment**

- Meeting adjourned at 7:58pm.
- Next meeting: Tuesday, February 13th, 2018 – 7pm @ Westgate.