

Stonybrook Middle School Parent Advisory Council
Staff room
January 24, 2023

Attendees: Tess, Jaime, Rita, Steph, Brigit, Kelly, Karla, Jolene
Regrets: Terra-lee

1. Principals Report

a. Volunteers sign up

- i. Volunteers sign up website not working as well as anticipated
- ii. 1 parent a week on average
- iii. Shopping needs volunteers as well
 - Costco can order online and have it delivered to the school
- iv. Without parent volunteers the canteen/ hot lunch may not be able to continue
- v. Jaime will put a blast on social media asking for more volunteers

b. Activity day

- i. Parent recommended online option for sign up and payment instead of paper
- ii. Payments online are more complicated due to student fees and not being able to allocate funds to specific things on parent portal
- iii. Volunteers are possibly needed. Activity group coordinators will be meeting Friday. Emails will be sent out if needed

c. Newsletters

- i. Do parents read them?
- ii. PAC blurb and dates should be included

d. Munch a lunch

- i. Orders have decreased a lot
- ii. Orders need to be in 24 hours before hot lunch date: Niakwa by 9 am Monday so ordering needs to be done before Monday, Little Ceasers 9 am Wednesday so ordering needs to be done before Wednesday in order to be able to receive hot lunch.
- iii. Tess still receives a decent number of emails about payment not working and not being able to order
 - Sometimes cards need to be tried several times, visa debits do not always work, sometimes you may have to log out and close tab and reopen and re log in and try again

2. Financial Report

- a. As of Dec 31st, 2022, PAC funds are \$1731.73

3. Discussion Items

a. Pac Fundraiser

- i. Springtime
- ii. Ideas - Spenst brothers pizza, New Bothwell cheese, Worlds finest chocolates, Stone city coffee, Gold cards, Gift cards like grocery stores or funscript

- iii. Discussion will be happening to figure out details
 - iv. Jolene will email gold cards
- b. Teacher appreciation
 - i. Usually, 2nd week of Feb.
 - ii. Approx. 50 staff total
 - iii. Pac will be planning something
 - Ideas given were - treats, breakfast,
 - Will be figuring out a date shortly
- 4. Parent Questions/concerns
 - a. Are vending machines an option? They have potential to make the school a lot of money
 - i. Rita will think about the possibility of bringing them back. Would need to have set rules for the use of them
 - b. Is frozen yogurt coming back?
 - i. Schools' old supplier has shut down
 - ii. Karla will give Rita contact info for Markus Reimer who could be willing to supply it for the school
- c. What is DBT skills
 - i. Coping mechanisms for kids
 - ii. Grade 8 division wide will be participating
 - iii. Starts Feb 14th
 - iv. 1x a week for 8 weeks
- d. What is enrollment for SMS
 - i. Currently at 565 students
 - ii. School has registered 95 new students since beginning of the school year

5. Next meeting: Feb 28, 2023