

PCI Parent Advisory Council Meeting
Tuesday, May 24th, 2011

Attendance: Sandi Knight, Gregg Waldvogel, Mark Diboll, Donna Ott, Rolande Williams, Tracey Taylor, Colleen Pallister

Regrets: Marilyn Gagnon, Wanda Kopytko, Caroline Cannon, Nathan Utioh

Meeting was called to order at 7:10 p.m. by chair, Sandi Knight.

The agenda was presented with no further additions from those present.

The minutes of the Apr. 18th, 2011 meeting were reviewed. Tracey Taylor moved the minutes be adopted as presented. Seconded by Sandi Knight. All in favour. Carried.

Correspondence:
Nil.

Reports:

Student Council: No formal report. Mark reported there was a Student Council meeting held today. The main discussion composed of ideas to give a more “PCI” feel to the PCS building. Some ideas include display cases which will take some time to be accomplished and possibility of a school insignia painted on the glass over top of the main entrance.

Administration: Gregg Waldvogel/Mark Diboll – Multicultural Week went very well. Events included the serving of ethnic food; Ojibwa dancers; Citizenship ceremony with musical entertainment by Doc Walker, Hutterian choir & PCI choir and rapper “Vibe”.

Grad – Prom is scheduled for Sat., May 28th. Walk through with students is being conducted tomorrow, May 25th. Safe Grad meeting scheduled for tonight. Grad Tea again saw an excellent profit. In future a reminder will be issued to parents that the grad tea profits are not just earmarked for Prom expenses. They are directed towards lowering grad fees, covering rental costs for grad ceremony & excess goes into fund to purchase improvements to the school atmosphere for all students to enjoy. A discussion was held regarding the various grad events. It was decided to send out a questionnaire in the fall to obtain feedback from grad parents about their priorities & suggestions surrounding grad.

Life Skills Lab – Superintendant has now toured the area so plans are definitely moving along.

Education Grants – Have applied for 2 grants: one to build a new gym between present tennis courts and another to upgrade the science lab.

Flood sandbagging – School sent a total of 450 students & 70 teachers to assist with the effort. Good experience by all involved.

Newsletter being composed by the end of week. Parent Council items given to Gregg.

June exam schedule has been set with June 13th as exemption day.

Last day for EA’s is June 23rd. Report card pick up day is June 29th.

School schedule for 2011-2012 is now available on school board website.

Staffing – Andrea Kalinowich has been hired as Community Transition Support teacher to address the needs arising from Bill 13 (Student Success). Will be interviewing next week for a new Ojibwa teacher as present one is leaving.

Dave Gair met with Gregg to outline the events planned for the 40's/50's PCI Class Reunion to be held on Sept. 16th & 17th, 2011.

Teacher Liaison: Donna Ott – No report.

Treasurer's Report: Tracey Taylor – The account balances are \$222.63 and \$516.00. Impending expenditures include \$200 for Parent Council Grad bursary and Staff Luncheon in June.

Safety Coordinator: No report.

Old Business:

Teen Clinic - A letter addressing the nurse practitioner vacancy & the vital nature of continuing the Clinic service was composed & read by Sandi Knight. Gregg will forward to the RHA. Gregg reported that they are hoping to have someone in place sometime in June. The Clinic handles ~1000 case files.

New Business:

PAC Bursary Recipient – Sandi reported that several deserving applications were received. Will review after Council meeting to decide upon recipient. Sandi or Tracey will act as presenter. Ms. Stewart will be notified.

Staff Luncheon – Date is set for Thurs., June 23rd. Will discuss plans after meeting adjournment.

Adjournment:

The meeting was adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

Next meeting will be held on Sept. 20th, 2011 at 7:00 p.m. in the Library. All parents welcome!