Minutes PCHS Parents Organization Meeting Tuesday, March 12, 2018

PRESENT:

Brenda Tremellen Nathalie Azran Jennifer Jarvis - Cleary Cathy Bobkowicz Anita Ochs Dayo Odubayo Darinka Cech Chantal Hutchinson Yuriy Knysh

ABSENT WITH REGRETS:

Silvia De Ciccio, Carmela Di Benedetto, Rowena Haines, Susan Brown

ADMINISTRATION:

Lyanna Bravo

RECORDING SECRETARY:

Jennifer Jarvis

Welcome:

Meeting Started at: 7 pm.

- 1. Adoption of the Agenda All in favor
- 2. Adoption of the Minutes of February 6, 2018 All in favor

3. Reports:

3.1 Administration

- Italy Trip was successful.
- Mock UN debate was also very successful
- Acceptance and awareness week coming up March 19-23
- Diversity and awareness, lunch time activities and presentations. ERMS to be sent out.
- In addition, in March "Tell them for me" survey for school.
- Upcoming in April Science Fair.
- Point was raised by Cathy Bobkowicz that PCHS would no longer hold a mini day for elementary schools. It was suggested that perhaps the Soccer tournament in May is acting as a replacement to mini day. However concerns were noted that this was not going to capture the same students or energy as mini day. Lyanna Bravo to review
- For 2018-2019 PCHS is getting approx. 150 new students for Sec 1.
- Last day of regular class is June 8. Lyanna Bravo will have a reminder message sent out. Date already posted on calendar.

3.2Treasurer

• Current balance \$ 851.03 (newest addition was Bake sale of \$167.15 & QSP \$26.06)

3.3 Governing Board

- Fusion: wanting to explore adding paying options & forms etc. Forward any ideas / suggestions to Anita Ochs to pass on to Juan Lamosa.
- Review of field trip approvals. Ie Battle of the Books coming up at Riverdale & Mock UN debate
- Review of upcoming Fundraisers
- Noted the appreciation for the TSAW

3.4LBPSB parents committee

- Dayo Odubayo discussed the CPC and upcoming changes. His concerns of IB programs and touched based on the history curriculum.
- Anita Ochs to email Governing Board on behalf of PPO why corrections not made and our subsequent concerns re history curriculum.
- Anita Ochs asked Dayo Odubayo to present brief reports in future and asked why PCHS wasn't better represented at last Parent Committee meeting (for example the Mock UN was not mentioned)

3.5 Grad Committee

- Nothing to report from committee
- Nothing official has yet been asked to the PPO however we are expecting we will assume the role of serving food etc the night of the ceremony.

4. Business Arising

4.1 Teacher/Staff appreciation week (TSAW)

- Went very well. Received more food donations than expected.
- Various messages of thanks received from Teachers/Staff and support teams.
- In PPO emails is the recap of the events / procedures which is accessible for the next year PPO team to review and source from it.

4.2 Bake Sale at Parent/Teacher interviews (Feb 22 5:30-8pm)

• Successful. Collected CAD 167.15

4.3 Recap of PPO Goals

- Student Spirt Awards
- Various guest speakers
- Additional Water Fountain

4.4 Pizza Sale – March 15

- Pizzas ordered and volunteers arranged.
- Lyanna Bravo to review set up of tables and chairs. 3 tables & 2 chairs requested

4.5 "Connecting with your teen" by Grendon Haines – March 15th

• Upcoming event and volunteers arranged. Enough interest to continue with planned meeting even though another school event planned on same night. (Variety show)

4.6. PCHS Paint Night – March 22

- Upcoming event and volunteers arranged.
- Cathy Bobkowicz confirmed that to secure the liquor license we would need a letter from Lester B Pearson confirming this was for nonprofit. If we functioned as a Home and School it wouldn't have been a problem. For this function it was agreed we would not pursue.
- Light refreshments (Pop and chips) will be served. Food will be based on donations and soda will have a set fee applied.

4.7. Guest Speaker on Brain and Sleep needs – Ms Tracy Braunstien

- Date set for May 8 with corresponding fee of \$200.00
- Anita Ochs and Lyanna Bravo to coordinate news release and advertisement
- Evening to end with a small PPO meeting to show / entice enrolment
- Nathalie Azran to find out what props will be need by speaker.
- Lyanna Bravo to confirm library is available.
- All in favor

5. New Business

5.1 New Seminar Ideas

5.1.1 Promoting self esteem for youth – Amcal Possible Dates April 24 or 26th. Anita Ochs to check dates with Amcal and then coordinate with Lyanna Bravo to confirm date. Reviewed marketing plans. Agreed to invite new enrollments and feeder schools.

5.2 New Fundaising Ideas

 Chantal Hutchinson researched Casino Night option. Brief recap of findings show two possible options available 95/table with volunteer or 165/table which covers everything. We would have to charge an entrance fee and secure prizes. Potentially a high revenue maker. Agreed to consider this for 2018-2019 school year since it would be a big under taking.

5.3 Request from PCHS. Ms Larkan for PPO Funding/Volunteers for "Girls Night" for March 23

- After much discussion, and being under the impression that PPO funding would not directly benefit the students, it was decided to provide volunteers only
- PPO members were asked to check if they were available to volunteer

- 6. Consulations: n/a
- 7. Correspondence n/a
- 8. Varia n/a
- 9. Adjournment: at 8:36 pm

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Next Meeting: April 10, 2018