

**Walnut Road  
PAC Meeting Minutes  
June 17, 2015**

**Principal's update:**

- Walk and roll Wednesdays has been very successful; classroom participation has been up to 100% at times; we will continue it next year
- Hired a Grade teacher from round 2 hiring
- Round 3 hiring to start
- Big thank you to PAC for all activities this year

**Treasurer's Report:**

- Gaming account: balance as of Monday \$31,142.42
- Organization account: balance is a little lower than normal \$16,848.15
- We will be applying for the Gaming Grant by end of June again this year; typically \$12,000 and should be paid out in September; we *should* be getting it again this year; this should bring Gaming account balance up.

**Outdoor Education Presentation:**

- Presentation from Kindergarten teachers
- In spirit of the new 'transformation' curriculum; hands on learning; connecting math, science, socials with nature; bringing 'wonder' back into education
- Wish List:
  - o Community garden: to grow plants, vegetables, and fruit
    - § Area in between office and kindergarten classroom outside
    - § Area would need to be cleared and filled with soil, wood chips
    - § 4 large, fire-safe resin planters (\$400/each)
    - § Soil, seeds
  - o Discovery forest: place to discover and explore
    - § Brush cleared, trees undercut, etc, small fence
    - § Wooded area next to primary playground
    - § Estimated: \$1,000 cost
    - § Have district or parent volunteers?
  - o The Whole Kids Foundation – could be possibility to look into for Grant of up to \$2000? We can send the link to the Kindergarten teachers

**PAC request:**

- PAC emails – Per Sandi we can have a PAC sheet with the info form and asking for email on parent info pack that goes home at beginning of the year; we might finalize these packages at the end of the year – could we have something to Sandi by next week?
- Teacher rep at PAC meetings? Per Sandi we do let teachers know and are open to ideas from PAC on encouraging teacher attendance?

- Fundraising coordination: PAC would like to coordinate and work with teachers on all Fundraisers to help eliminate competing fundraisers, confusion around fundraisers and timing and help to unite resources and leverage for all fundraisers; Sandi says they get a lot of requests through the year from different classes and teachers to do fundraiser for things they want to raise money to help pay for (ie/cultus lake, boston pizza, other fieldtrips) etc – Per PAC if we coordinate with PAC then we can help make these even more successful and organized to help everyone meet their fundraising goals?

**Budget list:**

- Classroom Accounts – approved
- Transportation – approved
- Non-enrolling Teachers – \$760 clarification that the funds are for these teachers to use to purchase items they would use and then keep at the school?? approved
- Compassionate Fund – approved
- Learning Commons – approved
- Fine Arts - \$1000? Clarification – what is this used for? Bring in a performer, artist, etc. The school puts in approximately \$200; there are 3 of these events a year; the \$1000 would fund one of these - approved
- Art is mirror – approved (carry forward from last year)
- Communication Board - \$10K approved; Sandi will get back to us on total cost by ??
- Outdoor Education – we will fund \$2500; and we will send grant info to K teachers
- Student Leadership – approved
- Theme Day – approved
- Science Consumable – approved
- Salmon program – approved
- Running Club – approved
- Intermediate Art Cart - approved
- Grade 7 support – St. John Ambulance approved; other items approved EXCEPT we would not be able to fund yearbook and balloon arch
- Primary Art cart – approved
- Star Lab – approved
- PAC photocopy – approved
- Gingerbread houses – approved for \$700