Minitonas Parent Advisory Council

Oct 19, 2026 7:00pm

Location: Minitonas School

In attendance- Laurie Evans, Nancy Cocks, Charlene Rooks, Ara Bartel, Brenna Smith

1. Call meeting to order 7:10
2. Review of March 23 minutes- exclude examples for criminal record check as incorrect
   Nancy motioned the approval of March 23 minutes and Charlene seconded the motion
3. Treasurers report – $5440.48 as of Oct 19
4. Outstanding business
   a) Criminal record check- Email from Rob Tomlinson dated April 8/26 had been sent out previously to all PAC members. No further questions on criminal record checks. No checks required for current PAC involvement with school members.
   b) Projects-
   Requested plaque made by Minitonas School to acknowledge Fenski Foundation for donation of money to purchase swing set in ?2017. **PLAN:** Brenna Smith to organize. Can speak with Jen Zamzow as she is a family member in charge of the Fenski Foundation.

   Outdoor classroom discussed and still interest to pursue. ESRSS admin staff did not have a copy of plans for outdoor classroom (thought parents with the French parent program have the plans). Initial planning discussion: Will need plans drawn, quotes on building cost before being able to start applying for grants. Discussed options of cement base versus pea gravel base.

   Basketball nets for outdoor courts-Brenna indicated school has fundraised most of budget for these nets so PAC can focus on other projects

   Sand- needed for sandbox and volleyball court as the sand placed last year washed away during the flood.
   Plan: Laurie will ask Campbell construction for a donation or discounted rate of sand. If no could also ask Jason Wenzel if Minitonas Arena still has sand to remove from second beach volleyball court on arena property

   Sand toys- School in need of good quality metal toys for sand box. Recently Bowsman school did a facebook post to get donations for sand toys.
   Plan: Brenna will organize a post for Facebook. Michelle to create a letter to use to approach the local farm equipment companies to donate toys/funds.

   c) Report due to Communities that Care for Grant received in Spring 2025-

   Plan: Laurie will submit information and share with PAC once complete

6. <u>New Business</u>

   a) Election of vacant executive positions

Laurie Evans stepped down from Chair position. Planning to leave council as no longer has a child going to Minitonas school. Nancy Cocks let her name stand for the position of treasurer.

No election required, members appointed to positions

Chair – Remains vacant

Treasurer- Nancy Cocks

Secretary – Michelle Rinsdorf

b) Recruitment of new PAC members- discussed posting PAC AGM presentation on Minitonas School website, word of mouth from current PAC members, put a notice in agendas and in school newsletter, bring food to meetings

PLAN: Laurie to email presentation, Michelle to create notice for agendas and school newsletter

c) Fall fundraising- Coop gift cards will continue as it is a straight forward fundraiser. Last year Kal Tire purchased gift cards to get fundraiser to limit.

Plan: Nancy to submit for fundraiser on SV Coop website.

d) Amara and Joel Friendship BBQ – $4035.00 Donation presented today by Lee-Anne Campbell. Discussed getting donations for more of the food items for next year and potentially raffle items to increase profits. Typically in June but this year was in September.

Plan: Picture taken for Lee Anne to submit to Star and Times. To share information to post on Minitonas School and Minitonas PAC facebook pages.

Next meeting date: Thursday Nov 12 at 7:15pm