**Blackie Parents Advisory & Funding Association Meeting**

June 8, 2024

1. Meeting called to order at 9:06 am at Blackie School by Carmen Sewell.
2. Additions to Agenda – none
3. Secretary report – Yvonne motions minutes have been circulated, Lana seconds, motion passed.
4. Treasurer Report:

* General Account $ 7 344.29
* Casino Account $ 14 466.38
* Playground (Savings) Account $ 9 937.37
* Credit $ 3 441.90
* Total $ 35 189.94
* Still need pay Band expenses and Teachers expenses $500 from Kindergarten, grade 1 and 2.
* In November will need to pay $2300 for Casino Advisor and will come out of general account.

1. Old Business*:*
   1. 2023-24 Budget Plan - $18 000 budget including busing –currently spent around $11000. By the end of the year, we will have spent close to our budget of $18 000.
   2. AGLC – has confirmed they have everything they need for out casino, November 22 & 23 2024.
   3. Waiting to hear if we will need to pay $6000 for the Theatre in Residence Program to occur in the fall.
   4. CCJO Invoice – still have no confirmation if they have found the cheque.
2. New Business:
   1. Survey – Friends of Foothills Schools Foundation who are trying to provide funding to schools to fill in gaps.

Question 1: How do you determine your funding priorities? We determine our funding priorities by teacher requests, specific student needs/requests and what the school needs.

Question 2: What are the three greatest needs within your school, besides human resources, that you could address if you had the funds? More physical education activities, sporting equipment, bussing to sports, art programs CTF and STEM programs.

Question 3: For what needs is your school Council currently raising funds? How are you fundraising in the year? Currently we are fundraising for new chrome books, bussing, field trips and in school experiences. We fundraise throughout the year by a casino, Donuts, Coco Brooks, Bottle drive and Purdy’s Chocolate.

Question 4: What are the biggest obstacles you encounter when trying to raise funds? Our biggest obstacle we encounter when trying to raise funds is the little number of families that participate.

Question 5: How do you see FFSF supporting your school council? Support us with our needs such as teacher requests, specific student needs/requests and what the school needs. At a school division level you could support us with raising funds for a CTF trailer which rotate thru the school division.

1. Money Requests/ Wish List:
   * + 1. Bus for badminton $245 – (April 16, 2024) – Yvonne Motioned, Lana 2nd.
       2. Zoo bus grades 5-8 $1400 (June 12th, 2024) – Lana Motioned, Natalie 2nd.
       3. Ms. Willy shirts for STEM $90.28 – Yvonne Motioned – Lana 2nd
       4. Ms. Willy and Mrs. Battrum Course $396 – Motioned Natalie, Ashley 2nd (text books to come out of general account)
       5. All school hike to Sandy McNabb $ 1080 (June 26th, 2024) Yvonne Motioned, Lana 2nd.
       6. K-4 Field Trip to Heritage Park $1601.03 Amy motioned, Natalie 2nd.
       7. Covet Sips and Sweets schools out Project on sports day will provide whole school drink unknow cost – Yvonne motioned, Amy 2nd.
       8. Mini basketball hoop – grade 7/8 – Lana will supply one
       9. Playground chair install Natalie $88.00 – Yvonne motioned, Ashley 2nd.
       10. Pioneer Ranch camp deposit $1000 – Lana motioned, Amy 2nd.
       11. Eric Walters Author Visit $650 (To occur in the fall) – Amy Motioned, Yvonne 2nd.
2. Fundraising – Texas Donuts - Fall 2024 – Just for 7/8’s
3. Other ideas:

– Blackie Community Breakfast Sponsor ($800 expense - $2000 return) when do we need to apply and who do we speak to?

* 2024 School Christmas Market and Bake Sale

1. Outside the Classroom Activities and Event Ideas:

* Spring Treat – sports day? Fundraising will pay for drinks for school on sports day.
* School Skating program next year?

1. Playground

* Adirondack chairs have finally been installed. Thank you to Natalie and her family.

1. Other:

- Welcome back Breakfast September 6th, 2024.

- 7/8 Pioneer camp try and keep $100 and under for students/parents to pay (start canteen up earlier to help cover costs)

- Disney Trip for Hudson and Sloane – will do fundraising in the fall to help cover costs

1. Next Meeting: Wednesday October 2nd, 2024 at 9:00am
2. Meeting adjourned at 10:06 am

Members present: Carmen Sewell, Yvonne Sherman, Natalie Britton, Lana Poulsen, Amy Jamison and Ashley Suitor.