

Blackie Parents Advisory & Funding Association Meeting

May 12, 2023

1. Meeting is called to order at 11:40am at Blackie School by Carmen Sewell.
2. Additions to Agenda – Grade 8 Farewell
3. Secretary report - nothing to report. Eran approves minutes as circulated, Yvonne 2nds.
4. Treasurer Report:
 - General Account \$ 6767.40 (+ Purdy's – Apparel – Teachers Christmas = ~\$3500)
 - Casino Account \$ 38 058.72 (Need to order more cheques; ~\$67)
 - Playground Account \$ 9684.08
 - AGLC Reporting – cheques need to be issued for individual expenses going forward.
 - Purdy's Cheque has been received. Name on cheque does not match name on our bank account, Amy will deposit into their account and issue a cheque to funding association to deposit into our general account.
 - AGLC report has been completed.
5. Old Business:
 - Blackie School Apparel:
 - Apparel was a huge success; everything has been distributed.
 - \$2092.89 to Amy; \$1292.93 to Fly's Etc.; Deposit from parent portion \$870.00+\$60.00 = \$2455.82 to come from General Account
 - Parent portion has been deposited.
 - AGLC Reporting:
 - Natalie has completed and filed.
 - Teachers Christmas Allowance:
 - Balances circulated with Meeting Agenda; Amy still to keep track and reimburse staff; Natalie to reimburse Amy monthly.
 - Email to be sent to staff as a reminder to spend the allowances. Cut off to allowances will be the end of June.
 - Bar U trip to potentially come out of Christmas allowances – need to confirm.
6. New Business:
 - ASCA Conference:
 - Natalie attended, condensed slideshows and hand outs. These have been circulated.
 - Needs to be a stronger differentiation between Parent Council/ Parent Funding Association
 - Process and procedures needs to be evaluated and looked at going forward; would like to invite Faye Holt (new principal) to meetings to agree upon process going forward for the next school year.
 - Use of "Request of Funding" form going forward to alleviate confusion of what the school pays for vs what funding pays for.
 - Possibility of streamlining Council and Funding meetings
 - Revisit in the fall with new administrative staff; update bylaws if needed.
 - Natalie to email notes from conference for everyone to look at and discuss in depth further at future meetings.

- Casino:
 - Carmen confirmed with Lea Lapka (advisor) we are in que.
- Cheer Mats:
 - Communication still happening between principal and staff on logistics.
- Motions/ Approvals from email requests (time sensitive):
 - Hunters Education – \$378.00 (12 students/ \$31.00 each) to come out of Casino funds. Tamara motions; Yvonne 2nds; motion passed.
 - Aspen Crossing Bus – 7/8 Trip (\$4100.00 less fundraising) to be paid out of Casino funds; fundraising deposit to be put into General account.
 - Confusion and issues to be brought up at Parent Council meeting. Cost of camp likely to go up next year, parents may need to pay more going forward.
 - Yvonne motions to pay for busing; Tamara 2nds; motion passed.
 - Vulcan Pool – entire school (June 29)– need to find another lifeguard. Will book pool, but if no additional lifeguard can be hired then either a no go or certain grades will not be invited (to be decided once lifeguard situation is resurrected).
 - \$400 + Busing
 - Yvonne motions to pay; Lana 2nds; motion passed.
 - Zoo Trip – Grade 1 + 2/3 (June 2)
 - \$560.00 + Busing
 - Tamara motions to pay; Yvonne 2nds; motion passed.
- Fundraising:
 - Future Ideas:
 - School Christmas market – 7/8 fundraiser 2023
 - Ice Melt
 - Bacon
 - Coco Brooks
 - Cookie Dough
 - Krispy Kreme Donuts – Lana
 - Craft Donation table – Mrs. Elliott
- Outside the classroom activities and event ideas:
 - Storybook Theatre – book for fall
 - Tamara will email with options for the fall/ winter. Booking opens August 1.
 - Sound Creations
 - 4 days with individual classes, 5th day with entire school
 - Grants are available.
 - Roughly \$5 per student
 - Theatre in Residence Program 2023-24
 - See Yvonne’s list for many more options.
 - Cody the Roadie Update:
 - Tamara to contact in regards to charitable receipt option if donation is made or books are purchased
- Playground:
 - Gaga Ball pits – can be set up on any surface.

- Waiting for approval from grounds; Chase has sent an email.
 - Umbrellas – need to situate tables (grounds)
 - 2 tables already have holes: test umbrellas on those 2 tables before drilling holes in the remaining 2 tables (durability, logistics, etc.)
- Grade 8 Farewell:
 - June 15, 2023
 - 80-100 People expected for attendance.
- Updates for Amy:
 - Highlights of happenings
 - Next meeting dates
- Printed copies of minutes:
 - Tamara to create binder and store them in copy room in office.
 - Saved copies on Tamara's computer as well as in Blackie Funding email.
- Gifts for departing staff:
 - Eran motions to pay Tamara for purchases; Natalie 2nds; motion passed.
 - Gifts have been purchased along with cards; Carmen to hold onto gifts until end of the school year.

7. Next Meeting: June 2, at 9:00 AM

8. Meeting adjourned at 12:56 PM

Members present:

Carmen Sewell

Natalie Britton

Yvonne Sherman

Tamara Fike

Lana Poulsen

Sue Elliot

Eran Mahan

Amy Jamison

President: Carmen Sewell

Vice-President: Yvonne Sherman

Treasurer: Natalie Britton

Secretary: Tamara Fike