Beaverlodge Home and School Association (BHSA) Meeting Minutes for September 13, 2023

In attendance:

Ms. Sadler Jo-Anne Flaten Mrs. Delorme Pam Janciw

Marly Abel Robin Crosbie (virtual)

Diana Doucette Emily Irvine

Call to order: 6:00pm

- Round table introductions and welcome to new members/parents/families

Review and Approval of Agenda

- Motioned by Marly, seconded by Pam

Review and Approval of previous minutes

- Marly noted that she had not received further information from Mrs. LaSpina regarding fundraising for new playground equipment
- Motioned by Jo-Anne, seconded by Diana

Principal's Report

Please see attached document titled Beaverlodge Home and School Principal's Report

Treasurer's Report

 Current balance is \$3152.07 as of today. Please see attached document titled Treasure's Report September 13, 2023 for full list of transactions since June 7, 2023 meeting. Also thank you to Pam who included is a 2022/2023 Summary of BHSA expenses and income.

General Business

A. Fundraisers

- Old Dutch Fundraiser is running September 11-25, 2023. Email with letter and order forms have been emailed out to families. Pick up for boxes scheduled for October 10th from 3:330-6:30pm in the small gym.
- Farm to School Vegetable Fundraiser will be sent to families mid-October with a closing date of November 6, 2023. Pick up is scheduled fore November 16th from 3:30-6:30pm in the small gym. All ordering is completed online.
- Other fundraising ideas for the year were discussed including: Lacoste, Archie's Pizza, Cookie Dough, Bacon, Garage Sale, Popcorn, Craft sale, LC raffle, walkathon
- Discussion held regarding needing a goal for fundraising, such as new playground equipment. Ms. Sadler provided Marly with Playground Fundraising information from the School Division.

 Discussion had regarding the amount of fundraising families would be willing to participate in given amount of fundraising families are also required to do with extracurricular activities

B. Fun Lunches

- Fun Lunches to start again, first one will be Subway on October 5, 2023.
- Discussion had regarding the option of increasing frequency of fun lunches as many students/parents enjoy them. Plan to continue with once a month at this time.
- Ms. Sadler to enquire with School Division's Health and Safety if Hot Dog lunches are able to resume and if so what the requirements are for the school.
- Marly suggested having different options for snack in the fun lunches, such as ice cream cups or Timbits.
- Emily and Marly both asked if it was possible to include Kindergarten children in the fun lunches somehow, possibly for parents to order only the snack or whole fun lunch to take home with them

C. Movie Nights

- Pam provided numbers of attendees at last years movie nights. Movie nights were most successful during the winter months, but did depend on weather outside as well.
- Plans made to have first movie night this year on November 3, 2023, will play Super Mario Bros. and encourage children to wear pajamas.

D. Other business

- Families still having difficulty getting clothing order from last year due to clothing company used shutting down and being reopened by previous employee. Ms. Sadler suggested using a company she had previously worked with at a previous school and had a good experience with. Jo-Anne suggested ordering extra toques or shirts for teachers or the school to use as prizes, ect.
- BHSA had a table to the Meet the Teacher event on September 5, 2023 and handed out individual bags of chips and BHSA flyers to families.
- Jo-Anne suggested utilizing businesses in the community for help cover the cost of things needed for school events, such as a seacan to collect items for a school garage sale
- Diana suggested having a school dance this year, given time needed to plan and organize possible to have in spring 2024
- Given there are so many new members this year it was determined that all should review the BHSA Constitution. Pam to send Diana a copy of the BHSA Constitution to include in minutes.

The next meeting is scheduled for October 4, 2023 at 6:00pm.

Meeting Adjourned at 7:40pm