



ADMINISTRATORS' REPORT NGEPAC April 9, 2013

Staffing for Next Year

We are presently in the midst of staffing for 2013-2014. Our projected enrollment for next year is 428. Our preliminary numbers indicate that we will have 18 divisions, and continue to have splits at every grade.

Staff on temporary contract this year: Shandra Bowen, Sarah Buskell, Sarah Ehmann

Staff expected to return from Leave of Absence in Sept: Staci Pahalniuk

Retirements: Kathy Knight (April 1) no other announcements at this time

There may be other changes due to staff posting out for various reasons (e.g. looking for a position closer to home)

Give From the Heart

Thanks for our PAC fundraising coordinators... this has been a successful program once again this year! We will top up the \$2900 with school funds to purchase one more classroom SmartBoard.

SPC Update

The SPC team has had their introductory meeting, and our Data Roundtable meeting with NGE and District Staff – great discussions around our data. A Data Analysis Report has been reviewed by staff and will be reviewed by the SPC team this week. We will create our preliminary school goals from this information and discussion, and meet with the District Team to finalize on May 1, 12:30 – 1:30.

Parents as Partners Session: Wednesday, April 17, 6:30 – 7:30

Topic: Cyber Awareness

Guest Speakers: Ashley Ragoonanden, Principal Constable Neil Bruce
John Marone, Vice-Principal Davidson Rd. Elementary

PAC Meeting Date Conflict

May 14 is Dr. Knox Gr 6 Parent Transition Evening – request to change the NGE PAC meeting to May 7

Volunteer Appreciation Tea:

Thursday, May 30, 11:30 – 12:30 (To be confirmed)

North Glenmore Elementary PAC Meeting April 9/13

Welcomed by Jane Hardy.

Kia Robertson made a motion to approve the minutes and Janine Cornett seconds it.
Motion approved.

Present: PAC Executive: Jane Hardy, Kia Robertson, Wendy Ikesaka, Janine Cornett, Harp Singh, Colleen McGregor, Clara Tonn.

Parents: Robynn Robertson, Jody Crumb, Shevaune Battiston, Jeff Davies, Peta Williams, Rossyln Hodder, Kim Thompson, Diane Bonderoff, Terry Farquhar, Jaime Lea, Mila Shapiro, Elaine Weigel.

Staff: Jordan Kleckner, Maeve Buckley

Administrators Report Notes:

- Staffing for next year will be about the same as this year. Some splits and about 18 divisions. We are expecting to have about 428 students. Kathy Knight has retired effective April 1. Staci Pahalniuk is returning from mat leave. We will continue to put the kids in their previous years classes for the first week.
- Give from the heart
 - o Thanks to our fundraisers for a successful program again this year. We raised \$2400 for another smartboard. We are looking at the K/1 options. Jordan has checked out a smart table that has 60 touch points, they can all pull up their own Google bars. They are quite expensive, about double the price of a smart board, on wheels, pretty durable, more kids can use it, uses windows. They are coming down in price. Promethean boards are about \$7000-8000 but you don't have to pay installation costs.
- School Planning Council
 - o Had the data roundtable meeting with the staff. The superintendent, assistant superintendent as well as a couple of other district staff members were present. We are meeting with the district team to finalize the goals on May 1 from 12:30-1:30. A data analysis report has been made and will be presented to the team on Friday. It was great to see how well the kids transition into Knox. Overall our gators are doing great!
- Parents as Partners Session Wed. April 17 6:30-7:30 on cyber awareness. Guest speakers will be Ashley Ragoonanden, principal of Constable Neil Bruce and John Marone, vice principal of Davidson Rd. Elementary

- Note about our website and future parent info nights.
 - The system is moving from First Class to SharePoint. Since we are currently transitioning, teachers have been reluctant to put a bunch of stuff on their websites as they will have to transfer it all over to the new system.
 - Parents love the new website.
 - We have done a survey with our parents. NGE put down homework as their number 1 choice. Building an independent self-reliant child was number 2.
 - With the feeder schools, building an independent self-reliant child was first and children's choices were 2nd, internet safety was number 3. We will work on some sessions on these topics for next year. A central place where parents can go to find out about learning websites, apps, etc.

- Volunteer Appreciation Tea (Thurs. May 30 11:30-12:30).

Treasure's Report

- We have opened up a sub account specifically for hot lunch. General account is sitting at about \$8700.00 Gaming account is at 11,347.27. We have 3 years to use our gaming grant. We have to use up all of the first year's money by the end of the 3 years. We can't transfer from gaming in to general. We can't use the money for the spring fair. We will take the money for the smart board out of the gaming account which comes from give from the heart.

Fundraising

- We have grossed about \$6000 from the art cards. We get about half of that money. The art cards were very popular.
- We are looking at booking for family photos with Basil Cooper. He is proposing that we do the 3rd Thurs, Fri and all day Sat. Sept. 26-28. We decided to go with that plan. The IGA gift cards are making about \$150.00 every 3 months. They are available in the office if you need another one.

- *PAC meeting for next month will be May 7 instead of 14 as that is the date for the transition meeting for the grade 6's.*

Special Events

- Teacher Appreciation will be held in May or June. Harp Singh will confirm a date with Maeve Buckley in the near future. We didn't get enough main courses sent in last year. A suggestion was made that the PAC do the main part and the parents provide the dessert, appies, salads. A suggestion was made that we advertise positions that are coming available on the PAC Executive. Harp Singh is almost finished as her kids are getting older.

New Business

- Looking at online ordering for everything even change for field trips, fundraising, hot lunch, etc. It will cost about \$300 to run everything. The schools haven't seen a dip in the number of orders. PAC asks that Maeve Buckley and Jordan Kleckner bring us a proposal for online ordering to the meeting next month.

Spring Fair

- We need more volunteers. Lora McLeod has volunteered to help with indoor games. Kim Thompson has no one for tickets. Kim is working on a newsletter. She is talking about \$10.00 for a family admission. We are asking the classes to do a theme basket that we will raffle off. Jeff Haymaker is going to be our dj. It is scheduled for 6-8. We are trying to keep it simple this year. We are checking into getting a part of the obstacle course since it is quite expensive. The total cost is about \$650. Harp
- Singh makes a motion that PAC sponsors an inflatable for the spring fair up to a maximum of \$250 seconded by Janine Cornett. Motion approved.
- We need to provide the classes with a rubber maid tub that we can use for donations for the spring fair. These would also come in handy for food bank donations, etc.

Hot Lunch

- Elaine Weigel apologizes about the mix up for hot lunch this month. Hot lunch is starting again on the 17th. It will run until the end of May. Elaine is doing some more pizza fundraisers. Need volunteers for next years hot lunch. We need a coordinator preferably 2. A suggestion was made that we ask for people to help out for just a few months at a time.

Next PAC meeting will be May 7 at 7:00.