PAC Meeting – December 12, 2017 (7pm)

In attendance: Carolyn, Kris, Jess, Jen P, Jen L, Sabine, Kerrie, Lesley, Carrie, Topher

Treasurer's report:

- Annual Craft Fair (Dec 2, 2017) actuals reviewed
- Approximately \$3200 raised for the Central PAC
- Cheques issued to Jess, Kris and Jen P for craft fair expense reimbursement
 - o to be issued to Carolyn for craft fair expense reimbursement

M. Levesque – Term 2 Enrichment:

- Request of \$500 from the PAC to support the activities for a "mystery" enrichment class in term to
- Details of this program specifically left out of minutes to avoid spoiling the mystery
- PAC to consider and determine by Friday

Principal/Vice Principal's Update:

- Culture Fair Assembly two weeks ago with dancers from Vic High was enjoyed by all
 - o Dancers will be returning for a performance in June 2018
- Violence Against Women Awareness Assembly last Wednesday went well
 - Main message was "respect, protect, and honour"
- Boy's 6/7 Basketball went to city finals last week versus Montgomery
 - o Finished second what a great season!
- Volleyball is starting this week with a rigorous schedule
- Pancake Breakfast is happening on Thursday, December 21st (rather than Dec 22nd)
 - o Parent volunteers are needed (any availability between 6am and 11am helps)
 - o Volunteers can let Carrie S (Vice Principal) know if they are interested
- Term 1 Report Cards are in progress

Kerrie Rudd – Hydration stations:

- purpose: to avoid a number of current issues with current water fountains including constant repairs to old water fountains, water on the floor, unsanitary use
- Kathie Cross has volunteered to help as well
- Goal is to increase water intake, reduce packaging waste, encourage more water and less juice
- Will consider a program to hype the use of the new stations and reusable water bottle by providing Central stickers for kids who show they have a reusable water bottle to use at school. (Perhaps have some donated water bottles in case kids cannot provide one).
- Hydration station consists of new water fountain plus water bottle filler with sensor
- Assuming ~\$2000 per hydration station
- District 61 will cover half the cost of installation

MOTION (Proposed by Carolyn, seconded by Kris): PAC agrees to fund the acquisition and installation of two hydration stations, pending review of cost.

VOTE: All in favour. Motion carried.

Parent Education Night:

- Schedule this evening in early March to include parents with kids transitioning to Central from grade 5 (transition organization happens in Jan/Feb; Jan 30 is grade 5 info night)
- Potential topic: Anxiety and Stress: Learning the Tools
- Leslie and Carolyn to take this on

- Contact Cheryl Rolston as potential speaker
- Stress and Mindfulness are being addressed in classrooms already
- Make and display posters around the school to display positive messages

Christmas Hampers:

- Jen L leading this effort with help from Heather T
- Lots of people signing up online to donate only 4 adults left to sign up for
- Still looking for gift cards for Walmart, Fairway, Thrifty's, etc...
- Open for sign up and donation until the 19th (items must be at the school by Dec 19th)
- Wrapping all the items will be a big task looking for students to help

Staff Appreciation – December 15th

- PAC volunteers to provide coffee, tea and snacks for teachers before school
- Set up at 7:30am, have snacks and coffee in the library until 9am.
- Coffee and baking donated, there is a small amount of PAC \$ available

Craft Fair Thank you to Craft Fair Committee (Jess and Kris)

- good feedback from friends and vendors about this year's craft fair
- extra pop and juice can potentially be sold to Rosie for the enrichment concession (at cost)

DPAC/VCPAC

- Carolyn will take on registration for the District PAC (VCPAC)
- Will need to establish a new Central PAC gmail account (Carrie S to do)
- Lesley is willing to go to ½ of the VCPAC meetings can anyone else volunteer to go to the others?

PAC Attendance and Involvement by other Central Parents:

- Need to increase parent engagement and involvement in the PAC
- Must make sure that all parents know that they can attend and be involved at any time
- Ideas:
 - o Improve wording in Central Weekly to encourage attendance
 - o Recruiting at welcome night and first day of school in 2018
 - o PAC brochure (Carolyn)
 - o PAC Banner (Jess)
 - Collect emails from interested parents

MyPlace Shelter Re-opened:

- Topher toured the facility last week
- Approx. 38 residents, mostly 55+
- Extra pizzas (6) from the craft fair were donated and appreciated

Curbside Treats (Facebook Message):

- Aaron from Curbside Treats wanted to put forward the idea of his bicycle driven ice cream stand for future Central events and fundraising

Meeting Adjourned - 8:30pm

Next PAC Meeting – January 9, 2018 – 7pm