

**Attendees:** Aaron Weimar, Shannon Russell, Peggy Hensen, Lynn Ware, Chantel Heichert, Kim Patriquin, Vanessa Ravina, Krysta Scheuerman

**Call to order:** 7:02

**Recap:** 1. Great first Christmas Dinner  
2. Silent auction  
3. Carters creation cookie fundraiser

**1:** Chantel New Bussiness: School calendar (pros/cons, what's your opinion)

Chantel suggests: November 1st off (Camrose and Leduc both have this day off), we are up four instructional days, maybe negotiate a couple extra long weekends. Likes not starting in August and would prefer Easter break in April instead of March. Chantel asked Lynn if there were special grants/funding available since the community has a low socio economic population. Lynn is going to look into it.

Kim: Thinks there will be lots of angry parents as they are used to having November break and will have made plans only to have the week taken away. Why don't we start semester start up on the 31st of January? Aaron says that that is dictated by diploma exams at the high school.

**2.** Principal Aaron Weimar

- WRPS hosting sessions about school consolidation within the city and county January 29. 2024
- Return of the Wake A Thon January 26-2. Looking for some parent volunteers to help with Wake A Thon shifts: 8pm-midnight, 12-am and 4-8am. All 50 spaces were signed up for. Spots were \$100 and the school was able to fundraiser \$5000 for the Stoller Children's Hospital.
- Bringing back floor hockey
- Workshops: Scientists in Schools. Online works shop, 4 are being funded the other 3 are \$235 each, will be booked Feb-April 2024 based on teacher schedules
- Grades 3-5 Virtaul Opera of Beauty and the Best. Feb 20 - March 22 will have a Q&A after
- Christmas dinner: Mrs.Schnell made centrepieces for tables which were utilaized at the Christmas concert. High school donated tables as well as students to help out. Suggestion of shortening up eating times next year. Final bill was between \$1100-1500.

**3.** Shannon: Still in talks with White Hatter, they are going back and forth in emails. This is an option for grades 6-8, it will be a virtual event.

**4.** Peggy Hensen

- Talked with Lori about still pursuing the library corner along with Mrs Jevne. Will come up with some design options and some prices.
- Polar Bear permission forms went home today
- Shovels are still in good condition but Peggy will double check.

#### 5. Fundraising:

- Christmas silent auction brought in \$2063 ( 12.22.23) + \$135 cash from Amber (1.2024) totaling \$2198
- 88 cookie kits from Carters were sold bring the total to \$2640, we need to ask Amber for these funds. Carters also was able to raise \$100 in store for us as well (deposited 12.22.23) Parent Council paid Courtney minus \$660
- Vanessa would like a program through Google to be able to do the Parent Council finances. She asked if the school had an extra copy we can purchase. Chantel proposed that we use the bank statements for now. Kim also proposed that if we need official paperwork that she will put the numbers in a spreadsheet and Vanessa can double check and print it off.
- Chantel proposes a gift certificate for foods teacher, amount of \$75. Vanessa and Krysta in favor of. Aaron will check to see that giving gift cards are allowed and report back.
- Kim proposes a pizza party for the kids of the foods class that helped at the Clear Vista Christmas dinner. All in favor. Aaron will check with high school about dates and times and Chantel will arrange it.

#### 6. Hot lunch:

- January: Donairs and Delights, \$8 per item (hamburger, taco in a bag, cheese quesadilla served with fresh veg) Set up for January 30&31. We will not be making any profit from this hot lunch.
- February: No hot lunch, it's a short month with teachers convention and PCL days.
- March: Huckleberries, has a good price point, parents will be notified end of February. Dates picked March 12&13

#### 7. New business:

- 8:26 Chantel makes a motion to switch Parent Council bank accounts from ATB to Visions Credit Union. All in favor of this motion. Signing authorities on the new switched over accounts at Visions Credit Union will include: Chantel Heichert, Kim Patriquin, Vanessa Ravina and Krysta Scheuerman. Chantel and Vanessa will arrange a date to go set up new accounts.

Next meeting set up for February 5. 2024 (virtually)

**Adjourned:** 8:31pm

