

Parkdale Elementary School

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Parkdale Parent Group Meeting – Wednesday February 26th 2013.

<u>Minutes</u>

1. Bouquets – Mrs. Constable thanked everyone involved in making the Valentine's Day bake sale a huge success.

Principal's Report

- Teachers are still involved in Professional Development with a focus on Math.
- Charmaine informed us that the after school program has a homework day. If any teachers
 want to give Charmaine any work, she can have them do it after school. Charmaine can also get
 us information about programs that Kiwanis offers. She has offered to get us the Kiwanis
 Brochure to put in our newsletter (please note, that the March Newsletter was already run off
 at the time of this meeting).
- Staffing update Mrs.Poziomka will not be returning this year and Mr. Stirling will continue in his assignment until the last day of school.

HAT Committee update

- The Healthy Action Team is comprised of a Public Health Nurse, Principal, Parent Representative and Grades 4 and 5 students.
- March is nutrition month. The kids are making a display in the front hallway of "Go Foods" and "Whoa foods". Charmaine offered use of her posters and parachute for this initiative.
- March Break contest A checklist for kids and parents to complete over the March Break regarding nutrition and physical activity. Class with the most participation wins a Frozen Yogurt Party.
- Y on Wheels update. Fun active games for JK-5 students every Wednesday (5 weeks for JK-2 and 5 weeks for 3-5)

Healthy Snack Update

- Thanks to Ken for picking up healthy snacks for Jerry.
- Pancake Tuesday this Tuesday March 4th.



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Hot Lunches

• Pita Day - March 25th

Movie Night – March 28th - Movie- HOP

Fundraising

- Pizza kits made approximately 700.00 Little Ceaser's gave a pizza party to the top selling class and a free pizza for a month for the top seller.
- There is going to be a year book this year. Parkdale Parent Group has the money to pay for the yearbook and will subsidize it. The kids will only have to pay \$5.00. Charmaine can inform Mr. Brown about the after school program pictures.

Arc Update

• Bob Fex has prepared the proposal and it goes to the Trustees now. Final decisions will be made in May.

Other Business

- Christina Presented the school board's Code of Conduct to the group.
- Christina suggested that the atmosphere when volunteering should be positive.
- Abbie asked if something has happened to bring this forward. Christina explained that people are very defensive. Charmaine explained the situation about the use of the community room and after school program incident.
- Group discussed the miscommunication regarding the bake sale. It all turned out well. Group committeed to be sure that it is clearly stated in the minutes who are organizing the event.
- Christina brought up the idea of the community sale. Abbie explained the work involved that she experienced in having run a spring carnival in the past.
- Bake Sale Sharon will run and organize this event. It will be Friday April 4th Easter Bake Sale
 Next Meeting Monday April 7th 2014