

Wes Hosford Fundraising Society
Thursday, January 20, 2022
Virtual Meeting

Virtual Attendees: Lorelee R, Colleen S, Courtney K, Kya M, Tanya T, Kristine P (peacek@macewan.ca), Amy F.

WH Staff: Shannon Pasma, Sue Freiheit, Ralph Arndt

1. **Welcome and Call to Order** - Colleen called the meeting to order at 6:08 pm.

2. **Adoption of minutes from last meeting**
 - a. Tanya motioned to adopt the minutes.
 - b. Courtney seconded.
 - c. Motion carried, minutes approved.

3. **Fundraisers**
 - a. Salisbury gift card fundraiser raised \$1,000. Plan to do another one for Mother's Day.
 - b. Skip the Depot is still generating good passive income – clothing and electronics now recyclable with them too! Kerry will type it up to put on the website.
 - c. Drop off bottle drive at GARC only raised ~ \$400. It has done better in the past. Maybe bad timing? Lots of other bottle drives on the go around the same time. Maybe add a prize to increase participation? Will review.
 - d. 50/50 – raised over \$4000. Will look to do another 50/50 in the spring.
 - e. Save-on Foods delivered another \$400 cheque. Also still great passive income.
 - f. Still accepting Boston Pizza receipts.
 - g. Shack-a-patate has been a great sponsor for us. Maybe do another day in February.
 - h. New idea - Nitza's does a coupon fundraiser – Courtney to ask about it when she talks to them regarding hot lunch.

4. **Board Chair Report-** Presented by Colleen Seward
 - a. Signing authority - three new people needed to be voted in. Still need to get that done.
 - b. Grants –
 - i. CFEP update – we submitted early. It just closed on Monday. County is already 2-3 months behind. Kerry did a great job of getting casino funding approved by AGLC to be doubled. Maximized our doubling amount of \$125,000.
 - ii. County mentioned we had the other grant approved - \$25,000 through Councilor Dave Anderson. That needs to be used to this year or we lose it, so county is advocating for our doubling grant and then get it used this year.
 - iii. Lorelee to check on some of the unsuccessful grants from last year and hit again.
 - iv. Playground is 10 years in the making so this is HUGE!

5. Other Business

- a. Treat day – thank you Tanya! So much work behind the scenes to make it work.
 - i. After being cancelled due to the outbreak status in December, we can now go back into the school.
 - ii. Working on a letter to go home on Tuesday at the latest for the next round of orders. Open next week and close Feb6 to order for the next 8 weeks. Vendors need the advance notice to bring in staff and be prepared.
 - 1. Feb15 is our first day – popcorn day! Anyone who ordered for December carries over.
 - 2. Feb18 will be the first ordering day and its nitzas
 - 3. Feb23 – cinnamon buns with and without icing
 - 4. Mar10 – booster juice
 - 5. Mar18 – Opa
 - 6. March 23 – popcorn
 - iii. Working on a mix of things for allergies
 - iv. Teachers can order too!

- b. Is there something we can look forward to when we can have a family day? Come together to eat outside? Fundraising committee could BBQ hot dogs? Like on sports day? Or a pancake breakfast? Outside is reasonably safe.
 - i. Sue said that we can't BBQ hot dogs but suggested a family picnic where people bring blankets and their own lunches. This can be added to the March Parent Council Meeting agenda.

- c. Colleen will start a messenger group about fundraising ideas.

6. Closing

- a. Colleen adjourned meeting at 7:52pm
- b. Next meeting Thursday, March 17, 2022 following Parent Council meeting.