

## Kleefeld PAC meeting

## Minutes #46

Date: November 17, 2020

Time: 1:15-2:00pm, via Zoom

### Present:

President: Andrea Klassen	Secretary: Jenna Fehr
Vice-President Vanessa Rempel	Principal: Joel Bergen
Treasurer: Gloria Funk	Vice-Principal: Link Wallace

<u>Guests:</u> Selma Harder	Nellie Doell
Charissa Barnard	Kate Froese
Ruth Klassen	Cayla Scheer Kosowan

*Welcome by Andrea Klassen*

### Agenda:

#### **A.) Last Months Liaison Meeting**

- There was a board Liaison Meeting that took place on October 27. Kleefeld PAC represented 1 out of 1,149 participants. 874 thoughts and 35,000 ratings were given in the thought exchange online. Most of the topics surrounded High School level.
- **Fundraising**
  - o As of right now there has not been any word on if fundraising will be allowed this year. There will be an Admin council meeting tomorrow, November 18, 2020 which will hopefully answer some of these questions.
- **Food and Toy Drive for Grunthal Caring Hands**
  - o Wendy Martens is working on it!
- **Staff Appreciation thoughts**
  - o Goodies need to be individually packaged and made in a certified kitchen.
  - o Prairie Pickers cookies were suggested, looking into more ideas and costs.
  - o Woodlawn School got parents involved to bring pre-packaged snacks and treats.
  - o If it goes to code red, staff will still be in the building.

#### **B.) Financial Report Update**

- See attached report prepared by Gloria

### **C.) School Report from Joel and Link**

- Amazed by how resilient, joyful and positive the kids are with ready to learn attitudes each day!
- Friday emails- positive encouragement and support
- NED Show- first virtual assembly took place Monday, November 16
  - o Fun for kids, had families of remote learners watching from at home
  - o Yo-yo's a big hit!
  - o Proceeds from the Yo-yo's pay it forward towards the next groups assembly
- Parent Teacher Meetings happening December 2 & 3 via ZOOM for those who sign up
- Christmas- Programs and Parties
  - o No program like in the past, will know more direction from tomorrows Liaison mtg.
  - o Potential in creating some sort of videos for families/classrooms
  - o Parties the last week of school to follow protocols, no baked goods, only individually wrapped store bought goodies, more info to come
  - o Looking into fun, creative ideas to spread Christmas cheer with the students (Christmas stories)
- Critical Level Red Email
  - o K-6 still open to students of qualifying critical care workers
  - o 7-12 remote learning
- Remote Learning
  - o Teachers are working extremely hard, working out any issues that arise with remote learning
  - o Figuring it all out, striving for good quality education
  - o Finding ways to connect kids to their classrooms and peers
  - o Trying to work with families to provide them whatever is needed to support their child's learning (seesaw/google classroom assignments or paper packages)
  - o More chrome books available to be signed out based on needs (springtime almost all the 150-160 chrome books were signed out)
- Early years teachers- having a hard time as they are used to having their students interacting around them

### **D.) Questions & Comments**

- How many classrooms did you have to consolidate?
  - o Early years- 3 classes had to shuffle
  - o Middle School- 2 classes had to shuffle
- Remote learners can come back after each 2-week block, but if their classroom is at capacity then they might have to move to a split classroom
- Distant Learning
  - o Possibility of moving into Critical Red, will hear from the province first with the daily updates from Pallister and Roussin. Will be confirmed how it will all work out within Hanover
  - o Rumour that Christmas break going longer than the 2 weeks, possibility that summer would thus be shortened by 2 weeks, nothing confirmed

- How many known cases in Kleefeld School? Public health e-mails are sent out every time there is a known case in the school, 2 low risk cases have been in Kleefeld
- Changing the system a little bit of how Hanover deals with Positive cases. The division is going to do a little more communication before the formal public health notice comes out. Notify families as the division tell us to. If a student is considered a close contact, they will get that additional email from Public Health.
- Masks 100% compliance, odd time a student forgets
- Students are loving the smaller class sizes
- Grades 4-8- With students now at 2m apart they can remove their mask if everyone is seated at their desks and their teacher is also at their desk. If student gets up to do something or go to the bathroom their mask must go on. If the teacher is circulating around the classroom students must put masks back on. Teachers are wearing masks all day. Encouraging but not forcing students to wear them when everyone is stationary.
- K-3 the same as before but now 2m apart
  
- Gym class-
  - o outside as much as possible, dress warm!
  - o Mats on the floor in the gym to create different fitness, stationary activities
  - o 2m apart masks off
- Music
  - o Singing is outlawed in code orange
  - o No wind instruments in code orange
  - o Mr. Goerzen ordered in ukuleles for the older grades
  - o Mask free when 2m apart
- Looking at ways to connect kids at school who are doing remote learning
  - o One teacher had students at home connecting with their peers via ZOOM/Google classroom
  - o One class sang happy birthday to their fellow peer who was at home for distant learning and posted it to SeeSaw
- Potential Big Screen for the Gym (13-14 feet wide)
  - o Use for school assemblies, gym class, school concerts, programs
  - o Great next project!
  - o Screen, projector and Instal looking at \$4500-\$5000
- More outside projects ideas, looked at more in Spring
  - o Ideas to improve around the perimeter of the school
  - o Pathway by the parking lot was re-done!
  - o New basketball poles/hoops ordered by the Division (possibly spring)
  - o Aesthetics- ways to make it better, more user friendly, enjoyable for the students
  - o Tree's (look at that more in Spring again)

Next Meeting:

-Tuesday, December 8, 2020 1:15pm via ZOOM