**BLT – PTC Meeting Minutes**

**Date: September 17, 2918**

**Location: BLT Senior Building**

**Attendees: Quentin MacKay (Parent/President), Mark Berrigan (Parent/VP Sr.), Sarah Nixon-Miller (Parent, Treasurer) Todd Barter (Principal Sr.), Patricia Leger (Principal Jr.) Colleen Cash (Parent/Chair SAC) Jen Smith (Parent/Chair Fundraising Committee), Tracey Quinn (Vice-Principal Sr.), Jenn Priske (Parent/Chair Playground Committee), Sarah Harvey (Parent), Ahmad Shahwan (Parent), Cheryl Patterson (Parent), Tara Rourke (Parent/Playground Committee), Tasha Marshall (Parent)**

**Welcome:**

* Quentin MacKay welcomed everyone to the meeting and went around the room for introductions

**Junior Building Principal’s Report (P. Leger)**

* Strong start to the new school year. Bussing is still being worked out.
* 410 students enrolled. All classrooms in use.
* Sign changer: Paige Sutherland
* Parent Teacher Meet & Greet September 27 – Treasure Hunt theme
* Art Coordinator will help with projects – Dance Hops, Washroom and Fountain Murals
* Orange Shirt Day September 27, Terry Fox Walk October 1
* Picture Day October 4, Retakes October 29
* Professional Development Conference September 29 – will review school plan, and literacy/math goals and strategies
* Breakfast Program – Serving 200+ students, thank you to the volunteers!
* Remembrance Day Assembly November 9 @ 9am – community members and military personnel invited!
* Report Cards November 29, Parent Teacher Interviews December 6 @ 1-4pm & 6-8pm
* Holiday Concerts December 11 and 12 (December 13 Snow Day)
* Green Holiday December 19 (December 20 Snow Day) – Donations accepted now!

**Senior Building Principal’s Report (T. Barter)**

* Strong start! Students, teachers and classrooms settling in, had Curriculum Night
* Many new staff members, 17 classrooms, average of 24 students/class
* Many new improvements to décor and ambiance to make warm and inviting (painting, murals, furniture), will continue to look for ways that will benefit students
* Upcoming Professional Development day to work on new school improvement plan
* Upcoming Events: Pink Shirt Day, fire drills, hold & secure drill, lockdown drill, school photos grin draws, Golden Bucket Award, Terry Fox Walk, Positive Participation Assembly, Orange Shirt Day, Treat Day, Mi’maq Heritage Month
* Monthly assembly will now include a PE, core French, music, resource and learning centre and Golden Sneaker awards.

**Committee Updates:**

*School Advisory Council (P. Leger for C. Cash)*

* Recruiting nominations for SAC members

*Spring Fair Committee (No representative present)*

* Deferred to future meeting

*Fundraising Committee (J. Smith)*

* NORCARD launched, orders needed to make fundraiser successful, orders due September 25, need volunteers for count night October 2, discussing on storing orders
* Sr. Dance November 30 (have enough volunteers), Jr. Dance January 25 (volunteers needed), secured new DJ with lights, Mabel’s Labels fundraiser on-going, holiday concert front row tickets to be sold
* Jr. Movie Night May 16, use PTC popcorn machine (volunteers needed, 3 parents co-chairing)

*Playground Committee (J. Priske & T. Rourke)*

* Discussion on proposed playground map, plans and budget**,** in final stage of securing funding, sponsorship, and planning schedule. Committee to pursue new potential donors, grants, sponsors
* Style to be natural and all-inclusive
* Proposed timeline to be finished before September 2019, once break ground will be up in weeks
* During construction playground area will be sealed off, students will play on other side of building
* Committee to provide parents with update via the BLT PTC Facebook Group and Newsletter home

**New Business**

* Vice-President Jr. and Secretary needed on PTC

**Treasurers Report (S. Nixon-Miller)**

* New treasurer will have meeting with past treasurer
* September will consist of reviewing current accounts, outstanding donations and expenses
* Set the budget for next meeting

**Funding Requests**

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| Requested By | Description | Amount | Fund | Decision |
| P. Leger | Playground supplies | 1998.70 | Playground | Approved |
| J. Smith | Fall fundraiser supplies and prizes | 608.97 | Fall Fundraiser | Approved |
| T. Rourke | Playground supplies | 43.39 | Playground | Approved |
| P. Leger | Stars | 510.00 | General Junior | Approved |

**Adjournment**