

## Senator Patrick Burns Parent Association (SPBPA) Meeting

June 24<sup>th</sup>, 2024

Present: Karilynn S., Chris M., Nica N., Jeff S, Amanda V., Sara S., Laurie D.

Regrets:

**TIME: 6:30**

**Location: Google Team Virtual Meeting**

Agenda Item

Harry addressed the meeting to give context for the numerous requests. An itemized list follows.

*Basketball jerseys* – The school does not have enough for all four teams (used to have 3 teams). Looking for new jerseys. Some have been lost or not returned. They do not have fundraising on their own. He is hoping that funds from the Bronco barn next year will fund teams, art, band or specialty projects.

*Design studies* – robot cooling – hold off as Ruth Oliver is moving schools.

*Storage organization* – Rachel Shutt will be the new learning leader for PE – the storage request has to do with things being mislaid and lost. They are looking for more organization such that things are less likely to get lost and remain in better condition.

*Dance Residency* – this is a hip hop residency – found good buy in from the students – all students take part. This would be in Jan 2025

*Literacy* – for supports – this is a lower priority as the learning leader is moving. The details are lacking.

*ADHD friendly classrooms* – materials to help in more complex classrooms that may be helpful for many students especially moving to grade 6.

*Greenhouse* – there is a greenhouse in the quad – not a lot of light there – doesn't want to move the greenhouse outside of the quad – the request is for parts, but the greenhouse may be moved which would make it susceptible to damage.

*Increasing Spanish Language Proficiency* – large ticket item. Looking to put Spanish more at the forefront of the learning. We have previously had humanities as a block (ELA, humanities, SLA). The consensus from the humanities teachers is to have a dedicated Spanish language arts teacher so there is consistency in the same grade across the curriculum. The discussion was centered on needing more materials. Looking to get materials (textbooks), They examined many options and settled on the Oxford ones, that come in at \$59.50 each. They wish to track each textbook at the school so that they do not get lost. The need that would be addressed would be consistency within

age groups and between age groups as they move through the grades. This would be an investment that would help for many years. Harry plans on staying to ensure that the investment is protected.

We asked if we could cut down on the number? Yes – could get 2 class sets instead.

Can the school help pay? – Yes – to a certain degree.

*Headphones* – To help with noise cancelling for students who require them for tests etc. request is for 30 headphones.

*Microphones* - 10 in total – 5 of two each different styles – to assist with Spanish film festivals etc.

*Photography cameras and lens* – Used cameras for the grade 9 farewell – but not a pressing need

*Lego Print stamps* – we make 750 cards in house for the birthdays – the printing press is used regularly.

*Climbing* – very popular – PE – old ropes that are not very safe – need updating for everyone to use (whole school)

*PE Equipment* – These materials get used by everyone – new materials would benefit all students.

*Equipment loaner cage* – To aid loaning equipment for the students during breaks to benefit the students.

*Broncos athletic tent* – Other schools have branded tents – looking to have one set up for track and field day.

*Construction* – Needs to update some broken machinery – it would be an investment into the future for the kids.

*Tent and sail stand* – maybe more functional for indoor and outdoor events. Branding is nice for the school, but may or may not be necessary. Likely much less money than the branded tent. They have a tent, but no branding or signage.

We could go in as partners to many of these bids – we don't need to fund all of each request.

The 500 for the fund – were trying to use in a school council event when we open the basketball court in the September.

We asked about much the basketball court will cost. The final bill should be about \$100,000. They need to use money from the school to fund this (the rainy day fund will expire).

When talking about curriculum materials we can not use any casino funds for them, but we could move more money to the basketball court and then the school would have freed up curriculum funds. The Bronco barn has about \$8000 for the basketball court, the refundables and the vending machines as well they go to the school.

Quorum is met (quorum is 5)

#### 1. **Welcome**

- **Call to order: 6:35**
- **Amendments or additions to the Agenda for June 24<sup>th</sup>, 2024.**
  - Motion to accept the agenda by Karilynn, seconded by Amanda. Passed.
- **Approval of the unofficial (no quorum) April 17<sup>th</sup> Minutes**
  - Unnecessary
- **Approval of the unofficial (no quorum) May 22<sup>nd</sup> Minutes**
  - Unnecessary

#### 2. **SPBPA Chairperson Report- Chris M.**

- Chris and Nica will connect for some AGLC items.

#### 3. **Treasurer Report: Chris**

- We have about \$34 000 for the operating account and \$105 000 for the casino account.

- The casino account needs to last two years.
- We have \$13 430 left from the original \$42 000 that we approved for 2023/24
- If we use some money from the casino account for next year we have more money to play with.
- We cannot use casino money on curriculum materials.
- We could use the casino account to pay more to the basketball court and leave the school money to move money to the textbook request.

#### 4. **Casino Report**

- Nothing to report.

#### 5. **Fundraising Planning and updates – Sara**

- Nothing to report

#### 6. **Funding Requests- Chris - discussion**

- Basketball jerseys – maybe – less than the request. Asking for 64 jerseys – the kids could be charged a rental fee or charged if they are lost etc.
- Design studies – No
- Storage Units – Good idea – but worried about if the boxes will fit.
- Dancy residency – one is a duplicate, not all kids enjoy them.
- Literacy – no
- ADHD friendly classrooms – timers, brown noise machines, over the ear headphones, microphones, etc. Not sure how well these work in a large classroom sizes, but overall a good idea.
- PE equipment – including loaner cage, PE equipment, climbing ropes, organizational spaces (total of 6600.68) We like these ideas.
- Lego printing tiles – for print making at the school.
- Construction – would like to know more about the specific requests.
- Sail signs - seem like a good idea
- Textbooks – buying all at one time is a big push, but we can't buy it out of the casino account. We could pay for less – fewer numbers perhaps – maybe enough for two class sets for each grade. This is a great idea and we like the plan for one teacher for Spanish and having a text book.

#### **Voting for Funding requests after discussion:**

- PE Equipment – equipment, loaner cage, climbing ropes and the storage organization for a total \$6600.68 and 399.32 dollars for a sail sign. Grand total \$7000.00.
  - Karilynn motions for \$7000.00 for the PE equipment, climbing ropes, storage organization, loaner cage and sail signs.
  - Amanda seconds.
  - All in favour, passed.
- Classroom supports – ADHD classroom supports, headphones, microphones for \$1540.00.
  - Amanda motioned \$1540 for all the classroom supports for the ADHD requests, the over ear headphones and the microphones.
  - Nica seconded.
  - All in favour, passed.
- Lego printing tiles
  - Amanda motioned \$300 for more lego printing tiles
  - Jeff seconded
  - All in favour, passed.

- Textbooks we would like to support with \$11 000.00 for the Spanish Language Arts Proficiency to have two class sets for each grade.
  - Amanda motions \$11000 to purchase 70 textbooks for each level for the Spanish Language Arts.
  - Jeff seconds
  - All in favour, passed.
- Construction replacements we would like a more specific set of requests but would put \$3000.00 towards replacements.
  - Jeff motion for \$3000 for fixing and replacing broken and damaged equipment.
  - Nica seconded
  - All in favour, passed.
- Basketball Jerseys we would like to support with half now, we would like to see jerseys charged a rental fee or replacement cost.
  - Amanda motioned for \$2720 to support the senior jerseys being replaced.
  - Sara seconds
  - All in favour, passed.

In summary:

<b>Request</b>	<b>Requested amount</b>	<b>Approved amount</b>	<b>Notes</b>
Basketball jerseys	5440	2720	Half the request for either the senior or junior teams. We would like to see rental fees or charges to families for lost jerseys.
Design studies Robot cooling	8613	0	
Storage organization for gym strip	352.63	352.63	
Dance Residency	7200	0	
Literacy	3000	0	
ADHD friendly classrooms	400	400	
SPB Greenhouse Adequations	820.40	0	
Increasing Spanish Language Proficiency	42000	11000	This is enough for 70 books of each level (approximately 2 classes at each grade) including shipping and deduction.
Over the ear headphones	790	790	
Microphones	350	350	
Cameras and lens for photography	4000	0	
Lego tiles print making / art	300	300	
Dance residency hip hop	7500	0	
Climbing replace ropes	1000	1000	
PE equipment (variety)	4673.22	4673.22	
Equipment loaner cage	574.83	574.83	
Broncos athletic tent	1544	0	Duplicate request.
Construction (replace equipment)	6000	3000	We would like more specifics for further funding.
Tent and sail signs	1500	399.32	We grouped the athletic requests together and gave 7000 for all, with the remainder to be used for sail signs as a tent has been purchased already.

A total of \$96 058.21 was requested. We approved funding for \$25 560. This puts us into next years budget for \$12 130.

#### 7. **Tasks and Tidbits**

- \$500 Education matters money that needs to be spent expired on June 14<sup>th</sup>. We need a better system as the council needs to spend the \$500. We need to spend it on parent engagement activities, projects (information sessions etc.). multicultural indigenous support resources or tools for languages for parents. Parent centered engagement – not student centered.

#### 8. **Motion for Adjournment @ 8:30 Chris**

**Minutes Recorded by Karilynn Simpson**