# PTO Meeting Minutes Thursday October 19 @ 7:00

**Members:** Abby Ashton, Brittany Trollope, Caroline Canning, Hollie Pearce, Jacqueline Riley, Jessica Harper, Lynn Cassidy, Nicole Greene, Celeste Quigly, Ricki Lee Clarke, Susan White-Hill, Michelle MacDonald, Jacob Angle, John Fredericks, Sherry Rosem Lyndsay Sim, Rosalind Rossi

- **1. Attendance:** Brittany Trollope, Jacqueline Riley, Ricki Lee Clarke, Susan White-Hill, Michelle MacDonald, Lyndsay Sim, Rosalind Rossi
- **2. Regrets:** Jessica Harper, Abby Ashton, Caroline Canning, Hollie Pearce, Nicole Greene, Celeste Quigly, Jacob Angle, John Fredericks, Sherry Rosem
- 3. Call to Order: Brittany Trollope

# 4. PTO Decided on a Chair of the PTO : Brittany Trollope and a Treasurer: Michelle MacDonald

# 5. Purpose of the PTO

The Home and School Association consists of parents/guardians, teachers and school administrators working together to enhance the school community for the students of Seaside Elementary and their families.

## 6. Criteria for volunteering with students

Volunteers working with students must have a current criminal record check, child abuse registry and vulnerable sector check.

#### 7. School Bookings

School bookings are done at the end of each school year Booked the evening of April 18th 6:00

#### 8. Provincial Fundraising Expectations

The expectation is that there will be limited fundraising at school due to rising costs in food, gas, cost of living etc. We are trying to relieve the financial strain on families at this time.

# 9. Principal's Report

- Student Success Plan
- ❖ SLP Supporting in class instruction of Phonological Awareness
- Math & Literacy Coaches
- Provincial Conference Day
- Remembrance Day Assembly

# 10. Suggested Events

<u>Chocolate Bar Bingo</u>- This event could take place in the gym. In the members' previous school they sold tickets and had a 50/50 draw. They requested donations of chocolate bars and made gift baskets of chocolate bars. There was a canteen and high school volunteers ran the canteen for the event. A teacher did the number calling (they used a projector and an online app to bring up random Bingo numbers).

We could possibly borrow bingo cards from the Lion's Club. This event would require a lottery license. Volunteers needed would be one or two for the canteen and 7 to work the floor. To determine interest and ticket purchases a Google Form could be created for people to sign up. There could be tickets for the canteen.

<u>Candy grams</u>- In the past they did \$5 for 5 candy grams. An email was sent out and there were 5 tickets for each child. Money was collected by the end of January to determine how many and then to be bagged and sent.

Holiday Shopping- To determine if this event is doable PTO members will send out communication to Seaside Families to determine the amount of donations they could expect. In the past they did 3 gifts for each child which would require roughly 960 items. It might be helpful if students are able to bring their own gift bags. Rosalind will check if volunteers that are working the gift exchange who are with students but there with staff require criminal record checks, child abuse registry and vulnerable sector checks. Once we determine the amount of items we could get it will help us decide if a Holiday Shopping event is doable. In the past there hasn't been enough donations and some classes were left with very little.

11. Next Meeting time: November 16th @ 7:00

12. Meeting adjourned: 7:40 pm