

Simone Gessler opened the mtg with a prayer.

In attendance: Susan Waddell, Lori Langer, Ann Lynagh , Jennifer Bishop, Jeannie Mathison, Scott & Deanna Roos, Catherine Boyd, Seana Stewart, and William Senfuma. Welcome new members!

1. **School Report.** Simone discussed two items: PBL (project based learning) and advancements in **technology**. There will likely be an evening “open house” at the end of Oct to inform parents about PBL. PBL tries to incorporate the different subjects into each project and is more driven by student interest. With the Google grant that Ms Gessler won last year, Weledeh has 64 new laptops and has moved to the Google Apps platform. This is part of the goal to teach Weledeh students the technology of today and tomorrow. The school is trying to get permission for students to have a student Weledeh gmail account for their schoolwork (parent permission is required) and along with this will come teaching about “safe computing” and on-line behavior.

2. **Award** – a big congrats goes out to **Leslie Caines** who just won a Prime Ministers award for all her hard work in Early Education.

3. **Class Representatives:** Most classrooms now have a PAC rep and contact should be made this month. We are still looking for the younger grades preK – gr 3 and the older grades. If you can volunteer to help the teacher by contacting other parents and / or provide a few hours of volunteer work this school year please contact Simone or Seanna.

4. **Family Fun night Oct 17.** It was decided that it would be from 6 – 8 pm, we will serve pizza and popcorn. The night will start with two or three short films followed by music and games and then a few more films at the end of the night. Simone to take care of poster and organizing. Ann & Seanna to arrange the films.

5. **Film Club** In the UK many schools are part of a Film Club where students get together watch and discuss movies. See [www.ted.com/talks/beeban\\_kidron](http://www.ted.com/talks/beeban_kidron) for more info and [www.filmclub.org](http://www.filmclub.org) for movie suggestions. It was decided that PAC would take this project on. It will be offered on four Thursdays in November starting after early dismissal (from 2:30 – 4:30 approx). It is for students primarily in grade 7-8 and if room for those in grade 6. Information will be forthcoming and parental permission will be required. Ann L, Susan W & Cath B to get info to Simone and get a shortlist of films together by month end.

6. **Halloween Parade** on Friday Oct 31<sup>st</sup> at 12:25 Pac and some student volunteers will be painting faces to get everyone into the holiday spirit. **Volunteers needed.**

thanks to Sandra Profit for getting the PAC minutes on the website!

Meeting adjourned 1:05pm – next meeting Nov 5<sup>th</sup> at noon. Corrections pls contact [anne\\_lynagh@hotmail.com](mailto:anne_lynagh@hotmail.com)