

PAC Agenda / Meeting Minutes – September 25, 2023

Attendees: Kerry Alexander, Kevin Cannons, Hayley Carr-Hilton, Danielle Clarke, Andrea Daniels, Marc Falkenstien, Roger Fires, Catherine French, Bradley Gagne, Nicole Hennessy, Sandy Jean Yee, Skyla Kim, Sam Kwon, Chris LaClare, Jocelyne Lous, Ian Matheson, Mike McDonald, Carlos Mier, Stephanie Monchom, Krista New, Marie O'Mahony, Kristy Payie, Bouthena Roman, David Schaub, Sara Swallow (Nelken), Olimar Vegg, Conni Vogelfaenger, Syavath Yoisth

Regrets: Jenny Bowes, Michelle Cranson

- 1. Call to order - 6:04pm**
- 2. Land acknowledgement**
- 3. Introductions (an sign up sheet)**
- 4. Agenda approval** - Motioned David Schaub, Seconded Connie Vogelfaenger, Passed unanimously
- 5. Sept 11 minutes approval** - Motioned Catherine French, Seconded Kerry Alexander, Passed unanimously
- 6. June 19 minutes approval** - Motioned David Schaub, Seconded Kerry Alexander, Passed by majority
- 7. Principal's Report (Sean Rupert)**
 - Appreciate all the involvement of the PAC and the parent committee
 - All amounts of volunteer time or level of involvement is appreciated - please encourage other parents that weren't able to make it today
 - There have been some shifts in staff in the weeks so far
 - Ms. Axen - primary PD prep (primary physical education) and partnering with Ms Schick
 - Many clubs and activities are already starting - please keep an eye out for the WAGG (Week at a Glance) emails on Fridays or over the weekend
 - Please feel free to contact Sean with any feedback - come say hi on the playground or in the office
- 8. Committee reports**
 - Communication/Website (Krista Scaligine / Nicole Hennessy)
 - Between the Bridges stories/photos - more information from Roxanne next meeting
 - Yearbook (David Schaub)
 - This is David's last year with children at the school, so it would be great to have new volunteer(s) to learn about the process
 - Please contact the PAC if you are interested
 - Inclusivity & Diversity (Michelle Cranston)

- Andrea, Nina and Michelle
- The committee encourages other parents to join our
- We plan to bring awareness to the different inclusive activities and support the school to make more awareness and knowledge in school events, such as
 - National Truth and Reconciliation - shared orange ribbons to decorate the fence and bring awareness
 - January Black History month - on Black Excellence Day - wear black tshirts for anti-racism awareness
 - Brought in colours of the world crayons to provide to each division
 - Rainbow day for pride in June - wearing colours and run events and dance party
- Budget (Catherine French)
 - Catherine will produce a draft budget, which is what we will discuss in the next PAC meeting
 - The budget will reflect what the PAC would like to support in the upcoming year
 - Please come to the next meeting to provide your input and suggestions towards the budget planning
- Fundraising committee (Jenny Bowes)
 - No updates
- Open committee positions:
 - Social
 - Focus on social events
 - Note: We will need to pay for custodial services to run events later than 7pm at the school
 - Arts & Culture
 - Focus on arts and cultural activities and events
 - Environment
 - Coordinate with classes and school club - open to new ideas for activities
 - Grade 6/7 Fundraising (graduation and camp)
 - In the past, parents came together to run fundraising activities
 - Pizza lunch (Uncle Fatih has a great hot lunch program), freezie sales, etc.

9. Old business

- Hot lunch
 - Our vendor is Bittersweet Kitchen (our 2nd year with them)
 - Hot lunch runs Tuesday and Thursday
 - Thank you to all those that have signed up to volunteer so far

- Volunteering involves dropping off the lunches delivered from Bittersweet Kitchen at the classrooms and picking up the delivery bags after lunch
- Choir program
 - Tuesday (Junior 1-3) and Thursday (Senior 4-7)
 - Please refer to the PAC newsletter for registration information
 - Students are welcome to try for free this week
- Gymnastics funding
 - False Creek school is wondering if PAC would support half of the cost of the gymnastics program (invoice for \$2250)
 - Motion: For PAC to pay for half of the cost of the gymnastics program of \$1125
 - Motioned David Schaub, 2nd Connie Vogelfaenger, Passed unanimously

10. New business

- Halloween costume swap
 - Started in 2019
 - All unsold costumes and proceeds are donated to Sheway program
 - We will also collect toiletries to be donated to the Sheway women
 - Costumes can be dropped off before school from Sept 27 - Oct 6th
 - Sales will start after school October 10 - 13th
 - Outside or inside the main doors if it is raining
 - Sign up sheet is on Slack (or please contact the PAC directly)
 - Cost of costumes will be \$5
- PAC room
 - Sean - There have been requests to be able to use this room for other school purposes, however the school understands the need for storage space to enable running PAC activities
 - Sean will work with the PAC executive to try to figure out a solution
- Schedule next PAC meeting (via zoom)
 - Main topic - budget planning
 - **Tuesday October 17 at 7:00pm**
- Friday coffee
 - Approximately once per month after school morning drop off
 - We are looking for a volunteer to setup and coordinate with local coffee shops
 - Beth at Convivial Cafe and Bakery is very supportive

11. Meeting adjourned - 6:53pm