

## **PAC Agenda / Meeting Minutes – Mar 3, 2025**

**Attendees:** Jelena Brcic, Carly Carson, Andrea Daniels, Ferron, Catherine French, Jill, Nicole Hennessy, Jeremy Nitsch, Bouthena Roman, Sean Rupert, Krista Scaligine

### **Regrets:**

- 1. Call to Order** 7:04pm
- 2. Land Acknowledgement**
- 3. Agenda Approval** Motioned Catherine French, Seconded Gunay Balkis, Passed unanimously
- 4. Minutes Approval** Motioned Catherine French, Seconded Carly Carson, Passed unanimously
- 5. Principal's Report (Sean Rupert)**
  - Mr. Rupert will be back from medical leave on Monday March 10
  - Report cards are going home on Monday March 10
  - Shout out staff and parents for the recent activities:
    - Valentine's dance
    - Drumming sessions
    - Grade 6 / 7 fundraiser popcorn sale
- 6. Committee Reports**
  - DPAC update (Kerry)
    - No new updates
  - Budget (Catherine)
    - We are funding the drumming sessions
    - Grade 6 / 7 camp fundraising is now wrapping up - pizza lunch, popcorn sales, holiday bazaar, donation from previous year: \$8600 to date
      - Remaining fundraising will go towards Graduation
    - Dance raising \$1700 (similar to last year)
    - Gunay: suggest we save some of the fundraising for the next year if there is surplus
      - Purdy's easter fundraising is also planned and Gunay is volunteering to take the lead this year
  - Yearbook (Sara and Ali)
    - No new updates
  - Fundraising committee (Bouthena, Carly)
    - Dance - February 13th - successful event!

- Grade 6/7 fundraising (Connie, Stephanie)
  - \$560 recycling fundraiser so far
  - Gunay is going to investigate all existing decorations in planning for graduation
- Hot lunch coordinator
  - Ferron has volunteered to take on this role! Thank you!

## 7. Old Business

- Valentine's Dance was successful!
- Popcorn sale raised \$980
- Volleyball nets will be purchased. Ms. Clark has volunteered her class to take care of putting up and taking down the nets.
- Pedalheads fundraiser reminder
  - If you sign up for a Pedalheads program and let them know you're with False Creek Elementary, you receive a \$25 discount and \$25 goes to the PAC
- Cobb's Bread fundraiser reminder
  - Reminder: any purchase you make at the Cobbs Bread at 8th & Cambie and say False Creek Elementary, we will receive 5% fundraising

## 8. New Business

- VEMS Spring Choir - after school program (additional cost)
  - Registration is open and the registration link is in the PAC newsletter
- Sushi Friday lunch
  - We will plan for another sushi lunch end of April and end of May.
- After school care (Jelena)
  - There is a need in the community for more after school care positions.
  - Approximately 120 families currently on the waitlist (to be confirmed)
  - We are trying to this outside the box to provide after school care
    - One idea is outdoor after school care
    - Another idea is homework club at the False Creek Community Center (but would not be able to pick up students from the school)
      - Would it be possible for PAC to support a person to walk students from school to the center for homework club?
    - Or does anyone else have ideas of other locations?
    - Carly: What would it take to have an after school program within the school? The school does not have the licensing

requirements. However, the school is interested in supporting other opportunities.

- This year there will be wristbands for a flat rate to get into the carnival
- Spring carnival update - Wednesday May 21st
  - We have booked 9 different stands with Jelks Carnival.
  - We are moving to a distributed organization plan - rather than last year where Laurel was a main coordinator
  - Please contact PAC if you would like to take on any additional Carnival stations!
    - Art station
    - Flamenco dance station
  - The popcorn fundraiser has additional food and coffee trucks where he split the proceeds 50/50.
  - Catherine: We should try a few different ways of communicating to parents to ask them to volunteer and get involved.
  - Andrea: Would it be possible to get the teachers involved to get parent volunteers from each of the classrooms?
  - Sean: We can plan for communications from PAC and teachers to go out after spring break to request parent volunteers for the Carnival.
  - Carly: She will add the 9 stations as well as other station ideas from last year for parent volunteers to sign up in the central volunteer spreadsheet.
  - We will plan a Carnival planning / volunteer sign up meeting after spring break in April for planning in person or on zoom.
  - Lily will volunteer to find donations for the silent auction.
  - Art auction: Opus art store donated the canvases and some paint for the students to create art for the auction. Some coordinating to number and display the art (1 or 2 volunteers required)
- Gaming grant
  - Jill: wanted to check that we had applied for the gaming grant - confirmed. (approx \$6000)
- Executive positions for next year
  - Catherine will be moving on as her daughter graduates. We will need a Treasurer next year.
    - Please contact the PAC if you are interested!
  - Roxanne - please let Roxanne know if you have any events, activities, or stories that can be included in Between the Bridges newsletter

- **Next Meeting Date:** Tuesday April 8 at 6:30pm in person (False Creek library)

**9. Meeting Adjourned 8:06pm**