

## February 8, 2023

### PAC Meeting Minutes

#### In Attendance:

Principal Brad Winterlik

Allison S., Chair

Cori G., Vice Chair

Davina C., Treasurer

Carol F., Secretary

Erika L., Charis B. (with Allison S.), Lunch Committee

*Dustin B., DPAC Rep (regrets)*

Parents: Sanj G., Ida, Bal S., Bev, Ned, A. Chang, Wendy, and Jas S.

#### 1. Principal Report

Principal Winterlik advised that it's been a very busy January, and will be well into February including Black Excellence day and month which two weeks ago incorporated a full week of activity. Then, read-a-thon week took place involving large committee groups and lots of staff; guest readers; tonnes of prizes; and 76 families in-person on family literacy night. The school raised \$8000, and it has been enjoyable to bring people back into the building.

The gym has been extremely busy with boys and girls basketball (games Thursday and Friday). Tomorrow February 9<sup>th</sup> is the last game for the girls, although there may be a play date coming up which would be the wrap up. Practice will still occur until that is finalized. Primary skipping group just completed today. The production *Annie* is going well – student turnout has been very good. Sewing club has started. Twelve sewing machines have been borrowed, and an awesome turnout of Grade 6 and 7 students participate after school.

February is registration in Burnaby for Kindergarten. The projection is lower than the past four to five years – they are only expecting 17 to 20 kindergarteners.

February is registration if parents have grade 7 students to go to high school in a different catchment – for example, if the student lives in Burnaby South and wants to attend Central, they will fill out a cross district application, and we send it to the school. Also if students are trying to go to a different program of choice, such as late immersion, then registration opens up. Watch for next Newsletter for more information.

Coming up on about February 22<sup>nd</sup> is pink shirt day with some activities on that day as well as an assembly on Wednesday. This event is going to move to a kindness theme, including relief for Syrian and Turkey refugees. That week is a short week because that week the Monday is Family Day and the Friday is a Pro-D.

February 9<sup>th</sup> is a password reset for Lakeview. District-wide there have been phishing and fake emails coming to staff and students – hundreds in the last month – so now the District requires

passwords will have to be reset every three months for staff and students. Kids will have to reset their passwords every three months, and the intermediates will do so tomorrow/February 9<sup>th</sup>. This is difficult for K to 3, and further inquiries are being made to how to deal with this issue – it is time intensive. High schoolers would have already done this, and learning this now will be good practice.

Parent inquiry: *Did most people use school cash for read-a-thon?* Principal Winterlik advised that this time a little over half used school cash, but there was still a significant amount of cash in spite of the fact that 80% of Lakeview parents have adopted school cash and use it regularly.

## **2. Treasurer Report**

Treasurer Davina C. advised that finances are doing well, and she shared a chart on-screen to illustrate this present financial situation.

Parent inquiry: *How much profit comes from Hot Lunch?* Davina C. advised that about 8 to 10 per cent, and with White Spot it is always more. Allison S. tracks it, and advised that net profit was \$3300 for first term and less in previous terms. Second term will be the same or more as first term.

## **3. Hot Lunch**

Erika L. sought feedback on Wok Box, as there have been tonnes of complaints about temperature and size. *Should Wok Box remain an option, or should it be removed?* Parental input from those present was mixed – children are loving Wok Box, and although the portions are small the kids seem to be okay with that. Erika L. concluded that Hot Lunch would keep Wok Box for now.

Allison S. advised that Agra offered to be in Hot Lunch program.

Allison S. also advised that White Spot is changing and will not be individually bagging, but rather, everything will come by Division so it will have to be handed it out individually. Patience is requested if a child receives the wrong thing. There will not be any more oatmeal raisin cookies due to dissent – chocolate chip cookies it will be tomorrow and onward!

Second term had more Hot Lunch orders – close to 240 orders out of about 270 students.

Discussion took place as to whether White Spot burgers could be provided plain and children add sauce(s). Allison S. expects a hard “no” as White Spot is trying to streamline. Allison S. can ask for options. Parents noted that some kids love the sauce.

#### **4. Spirit Wear**

Allison S. invited discussion as to *whether another run of Spirit Wear should take place since new kids and other kids have not bought it before?* Western Athletic has been contacted in the past, and are still providing. It would include t-shirts and hoodies because not a lot of people bought long sleeve shirts or pants. Cost is not quite as much as last time: \$26 for a run for one type of article. Spirit Wear is not for fundraising.

There was a favourable response.

Allison S. advised that black hoodies are for Grade 7's. The brands are Gildan and Everyday T-shirt for screen printing. It takes about three weeks from when you order to when you receive them, and the company will deliver to school for \$10. PAC can cover the \$26 run fee. Allison S. suggested ordering through Munch-a-Lunch, and not dealing with cash.

There was a favourable response.

PAC WhatsApp chat will discuss further details to implement Spirit Wear.

#### **5. Grade 7 Leaving Committee**

Erika L. inquired about the process to start the Grade 7 celebration. Principal Winterlik advised that the timing is probably perfect – we can start getting the parent committee, have the first meeting, and talk with everyone. He will meet with the Grade 6 and 7 teachers. There will be discussion about drafting awards; how to do speeches; putting out a request to Grade 7 parents for a Parent Committee; and what it will all look like. PAC budgeted \$1000 from gaming funds which goes towards the booking. Principal Winterlik emphasized the need to honour whatever the kids love to do; that is, discussion needs to be had with the kids and get a feel of what they are interested in, will remember, and will enjoy. In the past, surveys have been done to get their feedback. Look for those emails soon.

#### **6. Fundraising**

Purdy's and gift card fundraisers totalled what Purdy's would have been usually (Purdy's alone was less this year). So fundraising remains on track.

The projector is fixed, and the test-runs done – it is good to go for a movie night! A teacher(s) can surely be found to sponsor and stay for this event. The screen for movie night is in front of the curtains, and so if movie night took place before spring break, it would not interfere with *Annie* which is scheduled for April the 27<sup>th</sup>. Discussion took place regarding movie night as a fundraiser this time, and implementation. Agreement settled on tickets costing \$5 per family if there was pre-payment; and a little more than that at the door. The concession is anticipated to include popcorn, juice boxes, and candy, but no pop. Mr. Winterlik advised that there are still capacity limits to consider but there is more capacity without seats and tables.

## 7. Family Photo Night

Discussion occurred about whether to have a photo night; whether to use the same person as last time or Mountain West; the place or setting (such as outdoors at the park nearby and a backup location if it rains); and the timing (such as close to Mother's Day).

Allison S. advised that last year photos took place over two nights, and raised \$900 or \$1000. She will make inquiries; look into in May-ish when the weather is better; and determine a back-up plan.

## 8. Miscellaneous/Questions

Principal Winterlik advised that this year should be a better reflection of a normal year. Field trips are almost as usual. While field trips can take up a large portion of funds, teachers have done very well using the grant process, and so the offset for classes has been amazing.

Parent inquiry: *Some classes do a tonne of field trips, and some do none. Is there any way to level that out?* Mr. Winterlik explained that it's completely up to the teachers, and depends on what they can find based on the curriculum. Outdoor education ties in with phys ed, and may increase as spring and summer get closer. Field trips are brought up at each staff meeting to show which groups are going, and to encourage teachers to schedule other trips. Ms Woolley and Ms Sinclair have had guests for in-class field trips. There are also virtual guests. Further, Ms Buchanan, our librarian, took on role of supporting Indigenous education and resources and tying it into curriculum.

Parent inquiry: *Will we be bringing in camps, and has cost gone up?* Mr. Winterlik advised that camps require a buy-in of the teachers, but they haven't had time to look in to it. Further inquiries can be made to figure out location(s), and they would need sponsor teachers too.

Parent inquiry: *We used to do Sikh celebration for Vaisakhi lunch (kids used to dance during lunch), is that an option if parents organized it? Vaisakhi is the week after Easter weekend.* Mr. Winterlik said that date is still on our calendar, and he invited a further conversation as they are looking at more multicultural events. Vaisakhi could be part of a bigger multicultural event, or its own event. Allison S. advised that in the past it was organized by parents (other than PAC) who have now left the school.

**END 7:52 pm.**