

October 11, 2022 at 7 pm

PAC Meeting Minutes

In Attendance (via Zoom):

Principal Brad Winterlik

Allison S., Chair

Cori G., Vice Chair

Davina C., Treasurer (regrets)

Carol F., Secretary

Dustin B., DPAC Re (regrets)

Parents: Bal S, Erika, Charis, Catherine, and Ida

1. Principal Report

Principal Winterlik advises that this year school organization has stayed the same with 12 divisions, but student numbers are slightly down to 269. EA's are all the same. In relation to teaching staff, Ms Edwards is in for Ms Suh , and Ms Ross is in for Ms Migliuri. The custodian is currently temporary with postings to fill the position.

With respect to the school building, the painting has been completed outside – a great job but the mural had to go. This might be a school-wide initiative going forward. The painting inside has been challenging – nothing was done over summer and staff were off. Ms Patterson started before break and moved in to the main building this weekend. The lower floor painting is all done, and the upper floor has been started. Painting will then move out to the annex.

Everything is up and going, and student turnout has been very good. Activities include:

- Cross-country over 30 students (4-7)
- Boys and Girls volleyball (6-7)
- Gardening club (gr 2)
- Stitchery (gr 3)
- Leadership (grade 7)
- Bottle recycling (grade 6)
- Classroom monitors (gr 5-7)
- Morning announcements (gr7)
- Assembly setup and takedown (6-7)
- Choir (4-7)
- Run club (6-7)

Non-enrolling include:

LSS schedule support, ELL support, Library, Music, Band.

Parent question about whether parents may come to the school and watch volleyball home games? Yes, they may, but not to watch the practices given the newness of the team members.

Parent questions were asked as to whether there would be day trips for the grades 6's and 7's, such as trips to the ski hill. There has been no discussion yet – an interested staff member would be required to take on that organization. There is a new set of rules and regulations for field trips, and some parts of them are still strict. Lakeview used to conduct ski hill trips during the day as part of the intermediate program. Evening trips may be looked at. Something to consider is the expensive nature of the buses.

2. Hot Lunch Update

The hot lunch team (Allison, Charis and Erika) advised that the hot lunch program is up and running with a great response this year – better than pre-COVID levels. About 75% of students have signed up for having at least one hot lunch. The estimated fundraising is \$4000. New to the hot lunch program is Quesada from Highgate, and reviews are great so far. Sushi was not included in this year's hot lunch program because it and its delivery charges became too expensive. The hot lunch team canvassed a number of places and will continue to look into sushi. Input regarding a possible vendor is welcome.

3. Treasurer Report

Allison S. advised on behalf of the Treasurer that the gaming grant of \$5480 is in the gaming account (about \$20 per student). Bank balances look good and healthy.

4. Fundraising

Much discussion occurred regarding fundraising ideas for this year.

There is the annual Purdy's fundraiser.

Another fundraiser to try is progressive fundraising using gift cards. A percentage of the value of the sold cards is provided to PAC. The percentages vary depending on the store. They are convenient and inexpensive to ship as gifts.

Photos may be an additional fundraiser. Last year there were family photos which raised close to \$1000 with little assistance from PAC (simply attending and greeting families). Note that some families did not get spots. Companies such as Mountain West and Cherry Blossom are options. School teams and clubs might have group photos taken.

Spirit Wear is a further idea, but there was not much money made from the sales.

A popular fundraiser last year and in years past is movie night – particularly with the new screen (although it is temporarily not working). This fun community event could take place each term perhaps – the beginning to mid-November is an option. Due to COVID and keeping

numbers low, many families were turned away last year, but that may be different this year. A concession (popcorn, cotton candy and juice boxes) may even be open this year. Principal Winterlik can be a sponsor for this event, and other teachers may be interested in sponsoring.

5. Pancake Breakfast

Allison S. advised that the pancake breakfast will be back this year, and in the old traditional way – parents will do it. Cori G. will organize it, and Ida and her husband volunteered to learn the process in order to take over this event. No problems are foreseen, and Cori G. will reach out to the sausage company used in the past and order if possible. Attempts will be made to invite Santa to attend. \$2 per child did not cover all the costs last year, but the additional costs or some of them may be absorbed by PAC and/or the school which has some community-building funds accessible to assist in this regard. Payment for the breakfast would be made via school cash online – 96% of families are using school cash online.

6. Grade 7 “Fun” Activities

Principal Winterlik advised that parent-planning committee(s) would assist with the Grade 7 activities. The school (Mr. Sihota and Ms Keirstead) will come up with a regular plan for Grade 7 leaving ceremonies, and incorporate that into scheduling. The goal is to make Grade 7 time special. Parents will be asked for ideas, however, the planning committee is encouraged to honour the Grade 7’s wishes – the event is for them. Every year it is a little bit different – a dance, picnic, barbeque, Hawaiian party. A survey of the students or other ways of brainstorming can be done. The event does not have to be on school grounds – it could be a field trip. The call will go out just after the winter break or earlier.

Cori G. advised that pre-COVID, every year they had done a dinner with parents and the grads in the gym and the planning started at this time of year in order to do fundraising to keep costs down.

Allison S. advised that PAC does a regular sponsorship of she believes about \$1000 – same as past years in the budget.

7. Miscellaneous/Questions

Discussion took place regarding fundraisers for the community, such as the Jingle Bell Walk, Soctober, Angel Trees, Burnaby Christmas Bureau, “Helping Families in Need”, and food drives. Further discussion will occur for any future drives in which students can take part – it leads to great discussion among students and gives them purpose.

Notices will go out to call on parents who are interested in volunteering for various events.

A Facebook or Instagram will be set up by an interested parent. No pictures will be posted. It will have school-related content, and will be useful for questions as well as reminders.

PAC meeting minutes will be posted under PAC Notices so they are accessible to parents/readers.

End 8:08 pm.