



PARENT ADVISORY COUNCIL

PAC Business Meeting

June 1, 2021

AGENDA

1. Welcome and Acknowledgement: Kathryn Allan-Kwasnica

- a) Introductions- new members- New members Sasha (secretary), Emah (new co-chair), Ruquaiya (member at large)
in attendance: Kathryn, Hilary, Shanel, Emah, Sasha, Ruquaiya, Judy, and Jennifer
- b) Review Agenda/Additions/Accept Agenda
Motion to accept: 1st Hilary 2nd Erin
- c) Accept AGM Meeting Minutes from May 4, 2021
Motion to accept: 1st Shanel 2nd Kathryn

2. Principal's Report: Susan Ottenbreit

- Amazing group of staff
- Pro D Friday May 27th. Driven by staff. Staff members managed each component and lead others through the subjects
- Sports money- portable pickleball, scooters and cart, scoops (\$3500)
- Emergency kiosks are being stocked. Looking at expiry of items in November 2022 (water and bars). Pop up tent, lighting, tools, wool blankets, cots, first aid items
- Discovered bike racks were no longer fully bolted. Carpenter in to re-bolt to the ground
- Grade 5 celebration
- Struggling with welcoming Kindergartens to our building (all but two attended orientation). Encouraging parents to look at the school website with the link "Welcome to Kindergarten." Included are the Ministry document, teachers reading stories, social story going up. A number of components there. Big slide show for kindergarten students and families.
- There was a Grade 4 drawing contest that represented Cloverdale. They will be mentors or leaders for newest kindergartens. Art work was set up for teachers to vote on favourites and then they were made into postcards that will be hand written by the grade 4 students and sent out to Kindergarten students.
- Jenna asked to remind her of the coming dates for our meetings and events. These need to be submitted by Friday
- Covid exposure May 17th- went really well
- Facilities threw out the slider and we needed to purchase it for \$512. Placed under miscellaneous budget line for this year

3. Vice Principal's Report: Barb Sapsford

- Complimented staff for all their hard work and dedication. Big thank you to all of them
- June is really busy. Taking all the old photos out of the archives and putting them on display. It is exciting watching the kids go by looking at all the pictures looking for family members.
- Track- informal track events for grade 3, 4, 5. Mini events.
- June 18th- opportunity for Grade 5 parents to come by to take a photo when the students receive their certificates
- June 25th grade 5 slideshow for parents to come by and view

- Rainbow week. Younger students traced hands and made a large rainbow
- In honour of families impacted by the Residential schools a lot of students and staff are wearing orange. Students painting feathers to make a large bird wing and banner: "All Children Matter"
- Sue- financial request for treat in the afternoon for all grade 5 students. \$350 to book the ice cream truck to come by. One in the city meant for events, lots of different items \$2-\$10. Booking fee that gets subsidized by bars sold. Grade 5 teachers are planning activities outside and have a picnic and photo booth (parents could attend for the photo and presentation of certificate). \$500 budget set aside for the legacy gift. Sue doesn't want this to be borrowed from that.
- Grade 5 legacy gift- getting donations through the bottle depot donations (approximately \$350). The kids are excited and have lots of ideas. Interested in an outdoor gift. Open to contributing to PAC endeavours

4. Treasurer's Report/Budget Review: Shanel Higham and Erin McAskile (see attached)

- Kathryn wanted to revisit the native carver coming in to help build a carving
 - Sandra Jost in consultation with the indigenous leaders were looking at having a welcome figure carved for the nature garden or out front. A person with hands out welcoming all. A rough drawing was put together that included the salmon. There was \$2500 put aside hoping the district would match those funds. Reached out to the SD and found the gentleman (John Harris) at Arts culture. It would be more than \$6000 and the artist was living up island and it wouldn't be able to be done onsite. They could create some zoom video's to educate and include students. It was shelved in the beginning of the year as the SD didn't have the money to contribute nor did the school at the time. Kathryn- should we look at a local artist. Could we tie in Colin Roberts and Simon Burgers the offer made by them in our transition to a catchment school to have an artist assist with a new mission statement. Perhaps the PAC can do some kind of artwork showing their guiding principles - come together as a community after. Mural or board or something. This would be significant funds.

-Suggestion for a Seaquarium cost of \$1600 - Very common in many schools. Subsidized but still expensive. This is an inclusive learning opportunity. Good for kids that need help with self regulation. This is through the World Fisheries Association. One classroom starts with this and learns how to take care of it then students for that class go out to teach other children. Placed in a central location (front foyer, library, hallway). Children would be involved in daily care of the seaquarium. One time cost. No terms involved.

-Suggestion on increasing funding for physical education equipment. Costs going up and not getting enough bang for our buck. Replacing items with wear and tear and new and exciting items would be included in these costs. Mrs. Petrovic was blown away by the offer of \$4000. It would give us the opportunity to purchase some new and exciting items. Agreed to increase to \$4000 for next year.

-Suggestion for wall mount bracket for basketball hoops. Wanted more flexibility for lower basketball hoops to bring them inside.

-Suggestion for a funnel shoot for outside to be placed on the black top

- Circuit on the blacktop. A sensory path with a starting and finishing point. Movement cues throughout the circuit. All kinds of options for different movements included. District has some stencils. \$1200-1500 to have them inserted. Awaiting our black top being redone in the near future.

-Music and Stem programs are now equal to other teachers' annual funds. Call out to add more to that as the STEM projects can be expensive and see all the students. Increase each to \$350 each

-Is \$2000 enough for books?

-Emergency preparedness fund- increase to \$2000

-Electronics- did well with federal funds this year and at home learning. Could use more Ipads. Cost for 6 approximately \$3000 . Voted and accepted by all to purchase a 6 pack of Ipad's at the school.

-Steel drums for outdoor learning under this years budget

Motion to accept budget in full for 2021/2022- 1st Kathryn, 2nd Jennifer

5. Updates on Fundraising and Events:

- a) Monk's School Supply Fundraiser: Kathryn Allan-Kwasnica
 - went live today
 - went out with new Kindergartens at their orientation
 - forms to go out and email links will go out soon
- b) Welcome Back to School in September Ideas: All
 - table this until a later time with PHO updates
- c) Fundraising Suggestions for 2021-2022: All
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- d) Family Fun Nights/Event Ideas: All
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- e) Set Executive & Business Meetings and Event Schedule for 2021-2022: All
 - Business meetings on Tuesday at 7pm traditionally and Wednesday for the executive meetings
 - Sue talked about staff meetings the 2nd Wed of each month. Suggest we do our executive meetings those same days.
- f) Year end Celebration for staff and students: Jennifer Meadows & Hilary Hagel
 - gift certificates and cards for the teachers and freezies for the students

6. Roundtable: All

Meeting adjourned

Next PAC Business Meeting:

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