

FROST ROAD ELEMENTARY PAC

Meeting Minutes October 16 2024

Meeting called to order 6:01 pm

In Attendance:

Executives: Sunam Gill, Laura Wirtz, Amen Sangha, Rose Dallasheh, Mal Shahab

Admin: Andrew Shook, Christie Switch

Parents: Amila, Kathy, Uche, Leena

Approval of Minutes:

-September minutes were approved by Laura, seconded by Rose

Principal's Report:

-Cross country has come to a close with approximately 72 runners from grades 3-7

- volleyball is starting up for grades 6/7, with the boys playing on wednesdays and the girls playing on thursdays

-the school is currently being repainted, the library has been completed and the front along with the hallways will begin soon

-there are many programs for the students to join, including the AI program and STEM for grades 6/7 and Jump Start for grades 2/3 as well as robotics and art programs

-interm reports will be sent home this week

-the school raised over \$2300 in donations from the Terry Fox run! The students will get to slime Mr.Shook and Ms.Switch! Thank you to everyone who donated!

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Treasurer's Report:

- the PAC has written a cheque for \$3000 for technology funding as per last year's approved budget

-the PAC has provided funds for the welcome back to school sign as well as treats for the parents at the Welcome table this year and has provided funds as required for our Zoom membership and BC PAC membership

-the PAC has received the gaming grant funds for this school year in early October

DPAC Report:

-the DPAC meetings are held every 4th Wednesday of the month, the first meeting of the year hosted the superintendent where he discussed the labour shortage in Surrey district as well as discussions on the hiring of part time teachers with the focus being on hiring qualified teachers

-discussions included the implementation of cell phone restrictions with the exception of students who have specific medical or translation needs

-on another note, there has been some discussions with relations related with the membership with the BCCPAC. The Surrey DPAC members voted to keep the membership with BCCPAC

Other items of note:

-Our first fun lunch will be on October 31st and the vendor will be Little Caesars, the next fun lunch will be Nov 22nd and the vendor is TBD

-The PAC will begin the Purdys fundraiser once again with the estimated distribution date for Dec 13th, the last day for orders will be Nov 30 and the photo booth will be on Dec 17, this is always a hit with the students and admin!

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-admin will look into cost of ordering pinnies for the younger students in smaller sizes as we currently have mostly large sizes

-signup.com is a new platform the PAC will begin to use in order to organize volunteers needed for specific events, the link to sign up will be posted shortly for the first event. Thank you to Rose for setting this up!

-the PAC table at the meet the teacher event was a hit! there were snacks, coupons and a spirit days sheet along with pamphlets for the PAC and fun lunch group with QR codes to make it easy for those parents interested to sign up. It was great to make connections and meet so many new parents face to face, thank you to those parents who helped out!

-cross walk safety is a concern; parents are asked to adopt safer driving habits in school zones and be extra mindful during drop off and pick up. Unsafe driving includes: making u-turns, putting on hazards, parking in the middle of the road as well as blocking pathways and not yielding to pedestrians

-Reminder that children's safety is the main concern! you can report unsafe driving by calling the police non-emergency line; discussed implementing a "Walk to School" challenge (this has seen success at other schools especially in warmer weather)

-Revive First Aid (a partner of the Red Cross) may be scheduled to offer babysitting and stay safe courses in the upcoming year (likely during a Pro D day) and will be offered to students at cost, more details to follow if there is enough interest

Meeting adjourned at 7:02 pm

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