FROST ROAD PAC – Minutes



Thursday, September 22, 2022 via Zoom

Attendees: Lyndsey Locke, Boris Deuma, Sunam Gill, Elisa Joe, Amen Sangha, Andrew Shook, Christie Switch, Fan, Mally, Christine Firstner, Annie, Leena Lalli.

Meeting called to order at 6:00pm

Review / Approval of June PAC Meeting Minutes: Lyndsey first to approve; Amen seconded, all in favor. Minutes approved.

Principal's Report:

- We have 591 students, 27 divisions.
- Working on filling some open Teacher positions at the school.
- Elaine Wittal, our school's current Head Secretary, is retiring next week.
- Construction update:
 - The building envelope is in the process of being updated at the school; this encompasses new siding, insulation, and windows.
 - The contractors are working on finishing the gym siding next.
 - Scaffolding/fences around the school should be taken away soon, in approximately one weeks' time.
- Gr. 3-7 Cross Country will be starting up again this year. (Was not organized in the past couple years due to the Covid pandemic).
- Field trips are being planned and organized this year; we are excited to take the kids back to outdoor learning. (We did not have many field trips in the past couple years, due to the Covid pandemic).
- Terry Fox run will be held in October. If the students in the school raise a combined total of \$2500 minimum, each division will get to dump a bucket of slime on our Vice Principal!



What does a PAC (Parent Advisory Committee) do?

- Lyndsey, our past Chair, reviewed some points for the group.
- Having a PAC in place gives a school the ability to apply for a "Gaming Grant" from the government. This gaming grant is \$20/student. This translates to approx. \$11,820 for our school. (591 students enrolled).
- PAC makes decisions on where to spend this money.
- The Surrey District Parent Advisory Committee (Surrey DPAC) website contains a wealth of information regarding what PACs do and rules and regulations.
 - They host monthly meetings, and all parents are welcome to attend.
- Examples of how we have spent the Gaming Grant in the past at Frost Road:
 - Purchased Spirit-wear t-shirts for all students.
 - "Makerspace" created in the library.
 - o Booked 'Zumba Dance Classes' for a fall Welcome-back-to-school event.
 - Organized a 'Holiday Photo Booth' for all students.

Treasurer's Report

- Amen reviewed the proposed budget for the year.
- PAC took it to a vote: Lyndsey first to approve, Elisa second. All in favor, the budget was passed.

Fundraising Initiatives

What are we fundraising for?

- School garden proposed by Mr. Schook.
- 3-year plan for Technology. We are in year 2 of our 3-year plan for technology upgrades.
- Monies raised from fundraising supplement the gaming funds received from the government.

Fundraiser ideas

- Purdy's chocolate sales were a huge success last year. Boris volunteered to spearhead it this year.
- We took it to a vote: Amen first to approve, Boris second. None opposed; we will have a Purdy's chocolate Fundraiser! Dates TBA.

Fun Lunch

- October 14 (Little Caesar's Pizza) and November 18 (Subway) dates proposed.
- We usually do this on a Friday.
- Email will be sent to parents with instructions on how to order via the Munch-a-Lunch website.

Meeting adjourned at 6:56pm.

^{*} Please note information is subject to changes prior to the adoption of meeting minutes, at the next PAC meeting scheduled on October 20, 2022 @6:00pm.