

## **PAC Meeting Minutes – 12/08/22**

**ATTENDEES:** Sara Block, Nicole Verhoeven, Sheri Hardcastle, Parveen Sanga, Rachael Marples, Angie Deo, Vagmi Baxi, Sheree Elston, Zita Wang, Bill Porter, Hye Seon

**Meeting called to order at: 9:19 am**

- ❖ Motion to approve agenda:  
Motion approved by 2: Nicole Verhoeven and Rachael Marples
- ❖ Motion to approve Previous Month Meeting Minutes:  
Motion approved by 2: Sheri Hardcastle and Vagmi Baxi

### **TREASURER REPORT**

- General Assets: \$41,184.14
- Gaming: \$26,454.08
- Total Assets: \$69,643.73

### **OLD BUSINESS**

- Spirit wear orders closed.
- Holiday plants orders closed, Tuesday delivery, profits down from last year.
- 15 Purdy's orders still pending delivery, \$2,000+ profit.
- Discussion about additional hot lunch dates, potential for additional dates if school community shows interest. PAC to survey parents.
- Teacher wish list will be put to a vote.
- Pub Night Coordinator, Raveen Sidhu has explored possible venues: Ocean Park Pub, S & L. Capacity and location TBC.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

#### **Provision of Menstrual Products**

**Ministerial Order** was issued April 5, 2019 – All BC public schools will be required to provide free menstrual products for students in school washrooms by the end of 2019.

Policy:

Menstrual products must be made available in school washrooms using delivery methods that:

- Are free of charge
- Protect privacy
- Are barrier free and easily accessible
- Are consistent in delivery and availability
- Are non-stigmatizing
- **Surrey Schools** completed installing dispenser units and acquiring start-up product inventory for all schools in the district by December 31, 2019. Project allowed for menstrual products to be made available in 3 washrooms in each elementary school.
- Sheree Elston to provide more information in next meeting about availability of menstrual products

### **Grade 7 Grad Committee:**

- Grade 7 fundraising initiatives are not required to be approved by PAC, clarification to be provided to grade 7 teachers and fundraising committee by Sheree Elston.
- Fundraising efforts such as “Loonie Toss” require a registered gaming license. PAC must apply for this license. Gaming grants at risk if registration is not completed and a license is not obtained.

### **Lunar New Year:**

- Presentation Zita Wong
- Request to PAC for \$1,000 to decorate the office and foyer area of school, celebration in gym, small gifts for teachers and students

## **District PAC Report (November 23rd DPAC Meeting)**

### **Notes from DPAC Summit**

- Provincial growth impacting school capacities, communities are experiencing growth issues.  
100,000 people expected to move to BC in 2023 (60% outside of country, 40% within Canada).  
a. \*DPAC Coalition has drafted and sent a letter to Premier David Eby asking for consideration including:
    - Align housing policy and planning with school planning
    - Restore life-cycle cost analysis for school facilities
    - Provide timely and equitable access to education for students with disabilities
  - **Consent Curriculum** - Ministry of Education and Child Care released updated health guidelines and expanded curriculum improving how students are learning about consent. Concerns about students not feeling safe, and females being sexually harassed, including assaults occurring in some schools.  
**SOGI** (Sexual Orientation and Gender Identity), **Anti-Racism** and **Mental Health**. Discussions, and presentations in 2023. More info to follow as dates scheduled. Inclusivity, safe environments.  
*\*January DPAC Meeting – Anti Racism Presentation*
  - **Flu Shots/COVID Boosters** - BC Centre for Disease Control gave update on health and wellbeing of children and youth in BC. Spike of child admissions into hospitals. Encouraging everyone to get their flu and COVID boosters.
- ### **Trustee Report**
- **Construction Phases:** Semiahmoo Trail in planning phase  
Teacher experiences/burnout – employee Wellness Survey launched
  - **Teacher shortages** across the province and replacement process, growth rate has been a factor.
  - **Racism** – more work needs to be done to provide physical and emotional health and safety. Education is critical in addressing the issue of racism. BOE approved recommendations to strengthen antiracism efforts to goals and objectives that are adaptive, structural, systematic, strategic, and measurable.

## **PRINCIPAL'S REPORT**

### **Enrollment Update**

- Drop off and pick up safety reminders – no U-turns, parking by cross-walk or stop sign. Many parents are not using cross-walk which is safety concern.
- Over 2,000 cards sold in Art Card fundraiser.
- Basketball team starting in New Year, coached by Ms. Crowley and Ms. Deo.
- Lacrosse program starting after winter break.
- Gravity track project created lots of buzz in intermediate and primary grades.
- Early dismissal date change to January 25 for curriculum planning.
- January 16-20 Indigenous awareness program: Goal is to bring staff, students, teachers together to celebrate and learn more about indigenous culture. Parents are welcome at good bye/welcome assemblies on Monday and Friday.
- Grinchmas: 1 hour show, both performances will be recorded. 2 tickets assigned to each student. Students to arrive at 6pm. Parents must advise if EA support is needed at the show. Makeup artist needed.

### **Health & Safety:**

- Reminder to parents for daily health check.

**Meeting adjourned at: 10:15pm**

**NEXT MEETING: 01/12/23**