

## **Ecole Salish Secondary Dry Grad Meeting Minutes Monday, October 7<sup>th</sup> at 6:00pm**

In Attendance:

Doug Brown – Committee Chairman ([doug.1828@gmail.com](mailto:doug.1828@gmail.com))

Orianne Jangula – Committee Treasurer ([wojangula@telus.net](mailto:wojangula@telus.net) )

Claire Moore – Committee Secretary ([Claire\\_moore74@hotmail.com](mailto:Claire_moore74@hotmail.com) )

Eliane McMurdo

Dale Matthews

Kelly Tymich

Susan Steimecke

Karri Wallsten

Lisa Ursulesku

Pam Cielen

Anoo Bushan

Julie Neufeld

Lianna Hollman

Jen Dignall

Scott Dignall

Andrew McLean

Erin Billing

Brenda Kerr

Call to Order by Doug Brown at 6:09pm

### **Review of Budget**

1. Received \$2,500 from School District
2. Will receive another \$3,500 from School District before first payment to The Metro is due
3. Need to deposit \$1,000 in recently received donations
4. PAC provided \$750 from 2018-2019 school year
5. PAC provided \$1,500 for 2019-2020 school year
6. Estimated on the conservative side for budgeted fundraisers
7. Need to use this budget to establish Dry Grad Ticket Prices
8. Ecole Salish Secondary will be combining dinner-dance and Dry Grad tickets, which is an advantage as it will help with the numbers and costing/budgeting
9. Err of the side of caution regarding ticket prices
10. We've estimated on the high side for theme costs and will amend once theme is booked and confirmed
11. The Metro doesn't provide security. Nicole Bennett might have security contacts, but security must be bonafide security.
12. Group agreed to \$1,000 for the "car runner up" prizes
13. Group agreed to add \$1,000 pancake breakfast from "other unanticipated expenses" leaving \$1,500 as a remaining carryover
14. Revised budget line items are:
  - a. \$1,000 pancake breakfast

- b. \$2,000 start up
  - c. \$1,000 unanticipated expenses
15. The remaining balance that is carried over, is a grad implied tradition to help as a starter amount for the next year group
  16. Need to add a line item for the Purdy's fundraiser of \$250

### **Buses**

1. School will pay for buses – firm confirmation
2. Possibility that some of the dinner-dance ticket price with offset bus fees
3. Future bus conversation still to happen, hence the line item on the budget is blank
4. Dry Grad still to book/confirm buses
5. Be prepared to handle more fundraising

### **Administration Update**

1. Administration still supports a combined Dinner-Dance and Dry Grad Ticket
2. Estimated costs \$200 combined:
  - a. \$100 for Dinner-Dance
  - b. \$100 for Dry Grad
3. Grad planning starts in April
4. April is too late for Dry Grad ticket sales
5. Going to speak with administration regarding covering the costs for ticket printing (possible back-up option is Scott Dignall)
6. Still okay to speak with Grade 12's during a community block regarding theme specific information regarding The Metro
7. Research google app forum to survey Grade 12's for theme votes
8. Look at doing 2 surveys with the Grade 12's
  - a. First survey lists all the themes to see what the top 2 choices are
  - b. Second survey is the final vote based on top 2 choices selected
9. Mardi Gras theme has been the most popular theme recently
10. Spoke with administration about using the actual school building for some fundraising ideas, and they agreed we could
  - a. November 30 or December 7 for Christmas Fair and/or Paint Night
  - b. School has no tables to provide for use
  - c. Need to confirm power supply, tables, security, maps, cleaning/janitorial
  - d. Can we have a concession available
11. Administration is onboard with supporting more communication
12. We can use the office in a limited capacity to assist with pick-up and hand-off of materials but will not assist with any monetary needs
13. Tickets will be able to be sold on the school Cash Online system

### **Pub Night**

1. 50/50
  - a. Christina
  - b. Orianne
  - c. Erin
2. Twonie Toss
  - a. Dale
  - b. Karri
3. Raffle Table
  - a. Anoo
  - b. Kelly
  - c. Nicole
  - d. Karri
4. Wine Board
5. Tickets being sold through Scott Dignall for \$25
  - a. 604.512.0702
  - b. [S-diggy@outlook.com](mailto:S-diggy@outlook.com)
6. Parent/Teacher night is scheduled for Wednesday, October 23, 2019. Scott Dignall said that he would be willing to set up and man a table in the main foyer/cafeteria area to sell tickets for the Dry Grad Pub Night Fundraiser coming up on November 16, 2019. Anoo Bushan offered to help him in order to ensure table is manned for the entire duration of the Parent/Teacher interview times.
7. Donated Baskets - Doug Brown mentioned that fellow Grade 12 parent, Brad Barnes, works for Sleemans Brewery and he got 2 baskets donated from the Berezan Hospitality Group (who own multiple liquor stores). He is also trying to get the Fox & Fiddle Pub (where the pub night is being held) to also donate something for the pub night.

### **Fundraising**

1. Purdy's Holiday Chocolates fundraiser - Karri Wallsten & Susan Steimecke advised that they have checked with Dry Grad Committee Secretary & Salish PAC President, Claire Moore and confirmed that no other school groups are planning on doing a Purdy's Chocolate fundraiser before the winter break. So they registered the Salish Secondary Dry Grad Committee for a Purdy's fundraiser. More details will be brought forward at the next meeting.
2. BC Liquor Store Dry Grad Donations - It was brought up that at one time, people recalled the BC Liquor Stores doing a Dry Grad Fundraiser-type thing in which the cashiers would ask customers if they'd like to donate to their local Dry Grad. I believe that Karri Wallsten and/or Susan Steimecke will inquire further into this and report their findings.
3. Casino Night Fundraiser - There was discussion regarding the possibility of doing a casino-night fundraiser. It was agreed that although it sounded like a fun idea, we would table this and bring it up at a later meeting.

4. Bedding Sheet-Sales Fundraiser - Lisa Ursulesku brought up that she looked further into the sheet's fundraiser (for bedding) and advised that this is a very popular, easy and somewhat high-earning fundraiser, and would be easy to implement. The majority of attendees agreed but it was mentioned that given the number of fundraisers already scheduled to happen in November & December, that we should consider rolling out this fundraiser in the new year. The majority agreed and the mention of spring was brought up.
5. Zinetti Pasta, Pasta Night Fundraiser - Susan Steimecke was in contact with her contact person at locally owned Zinetti Pasta company with respect to a "Pasta Night" fundraiser that a south surrey school did. After several attempts at communicating, the end result was that they could offer us microwavable spaghetti bowls at a cost of \$1.95/bowl ...but that we must purchase a pallet of them. This was discussed further, and it was agreed that this fundraising option would likely not be successful. Thus, no further discussions.
6. Canuel Caterers Offered their Services - Doug Brown brought up that he spoke with local company, Canuel Caters (who also run the Salish Secondary school cafeteria) who said that if the Dry Grad Committee decides to host an event and/or fundraiser in the school, that they would be willing to be available to cater/open the cafeteria, etc... to sell food. They would require that we give them figures in advance – ie. Number of guests expected, etc... *(Not sure if there would be a cost involved...double check with Doug)*

#### Miscellaneous Agenda Items

1. **Dry Grad Pancake Breakfast** - It was reaffirmed that the Dry Grad Pancake Breakfast, which is scheduled to be held back at the school when the grads return from The Metro at approximately 5:30am on Monday, June 29<sup>th</sup>, 2020 – is a go and will happen.
2. **Dry Grad Car Giveaway** - Doug Brown mentioned that he is still looking for a car donation for the Dry Grad car giveaway. If anyone has any leads or connections (car dealership, mechanic, company /fleet cars/etc..) for a free car, to please contact anyone on the Dry Grad Committee. It was then brought up that with ICBC's the newly implemented insurance premium assessment factor, many new drivers may not even be able to afford to insure a vehicle, so would a car giveaway even be worthwhile? It was brought up that perhaps a different sought-after item such as a good quality laptop, Apple Watch, airline tickets, etc... be more alluring for grads if a car isn't feasible. Liana Hollmann (Grade 12 student attending on behalf of the Salish Student Grad Council) said that she will canvass students on the Grad Council Group Chat about their thoughts on this...Car or something else?
3. **Donated Hoodies & T-shirts** - Kelly Tymich advised that she has been given a box of brand-new hoodies and t-shirts with logos that she thinks teens would like. She will bring them to the next meeting at which time the committee will determine if items can be included or added to some of the pub night silent auction baskets or kept for fun door prizes at the Dry Grad event itself.

#### **Dry Grad Meeting Dates for 2019-2020**

1. Monday, October 28<sup>th</sup>, at 6:00pm – Pub Night Specific

2. Monday, November 4<sup>th</sup>, at 6:00pm
3. Tuesday, November 12<sup>th</sup>, at 6:00pm – Pub Night Specific
4. Monday, December 2<sup>nd</sup>, at 6:00pm
5. Monday, January 6<sup>th</sup>, at 6:00pm
6. Monday, February 3<sup>rd</sup>, at 6:00pm
7. Monday, March 2<sup>nd</sup>, at 6:00pm
8. Monday, April 6<sup>th</sup>, at 6:00pm
9. Monday, May 4<sup>th</sup>, at 6:00pm
10. Monday, June 1<sup>st</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup>, at 6:00pm

Meeting was adjourned at 7:54pm.