

## **General PAC Meeting - October 22, 2024**

**In attendance:** Mina, Erin, Sheryl, Sharon, Darien, Askh, Gurpreet, Bukkie, Melissa, Navi, & Morgan.

Meeting starts: 6:30pm

### **Welcome - Mina (president)**

### **Darien (principal's report/updates)**

#### **1. Upcoming Events**

- a. This Week Interim Reports
- b. Friday, October 25th Pro-D Day
- c. Monday, October 28th Photo Retakes
- d. Tuesday, October 29th PAC Halloween Spooktacular
- e. Thursday, October 31st Hallowe'en (no masks, weapons or gore)
- f. Friday, November 1st PJ Day
- g. Monday, November 4th Diwali Assembly
- h. Thursday, November 7th Remembrance Day Assembly
- i. Friday, November 8th Pro-D Day
- j. Monday, November 11th Remembrance Day
- k. Friday, November 22nd Early Dismissal Day 1:25

#### **2. Volleyball and Cross Country**

- a. Cross Country season is coming to an end with our final meet taking place tomorrow
- b. Big thank you to Jessica Phillips for being our coach. Thank you as well to Heidi Nielsen and Kristi Sundset for being our staff sponsors.
- c. Volleyball season is underway. Mr. Penner, Ms. Riley, Ms. Waugh and Ms. Nasmith are our coaches.
- d. Boys play on Wednesdays and our girls team plays on Thursdays

#### **3. Staffing Updates**

- a. Ms. Erin Addy – new secretary 3 days/ week
- b. Ms. Melea Brear – Fridays in Ms. Hanuman's grade 1 class

#### **4. Spirit Wear**

- a. Ordering website URL will be mailed out soon
- b. T-shirts and hoodies will be available in black and green

## **5. Happenings Around the School**

- a. Field Trips – thank you to our parent drivers for making some of these trips possible
- b. Projector woes continue
- c. Chess Club – Thank you Ms. Thornton and Ms. Nielsen!
- d. Choir Club – Thank you Ms. Steger!
- e. Student Leadership for our Grades 6s and 7s – Thank you to Ms. Riley, Ms. Wankowicz, Mr. Penner, Ms. Waugh, Ms. Hanuman, Ms. Myles, Mr. Russell for providing these opportunities for our students

### **Questions:**

- Safety of kids/dogs? Dogs are not permitted on school property in Surrey. Mr. Russell took a walk and didn't see the proper signage - it has now been requested. Off leash dogs are the bigger concern. The challenge is finding the dogs/owner, and we can involve bylaw if necessary. Talked with the YMCA program and they are aware of what the next steps are. There has only been one instance of a dog on property during the day in the last two years.
- Are children allowed to take snacks outside? We are trying to cut down on litter, so we have asked kids not to bring wrappers outside. So they can unwrap and then bring their food outside.

### **Melissa (updates in chat)**

Last chance for Spooktacular tomorrow by 3pm.

Next hot lunch is November 15<sup>th</sup> & 29<sup>th</sup>.

Special hot lunch for grade 7s December 9<sup>th</sup> to support their end of year celebrations.

All PAC lunches and most PAC fundraisers are on Munch-a-lunch.

### **Fundraising (shared by Mina)**

- Spooktacular - October 29<sup>th</sup>, cut off for tickets Wed. Oct. 23<sup>rd</sup> at 3pm.
- Purdys - ongoing
- Giants - November 15<sup>th</sup> - tickets on Munch-a-lunch
- Darby's Portrait sitting - November 12<sup>th</sup> still posts available.
- Neufeld Farms - starts November 1<sup>st</sup>

### **Treasurer - Sheryl**

**Gaming Grant** \$6700 (3228.00 for mural, 2646.00 for Zumba, 1900.00 Fieldtrips)

- Feb 10 to 14<sup>th</sup> for Zumba - lessons every day and then on Friday, a performance for parents/families to come in. Great thing for the kids to be active and healthy.

- Planning to leave some money in there for next year (just in case gaming grant doesn't come through)

**General Acct** - report out of current profits re: hot lunch, cash donations, tickets etc.

\$1000. Returned and reallocated to Tech fund. - voted YES by majority.

Question about cell reception/WIFI - it has been explored and worked on, but it is out of our hands at the moment.

**Other:**

- Did crosswalk get repainted? Both seem to be done now.
- Orange fencing? That area needs to be further addressed. Grass looks okay but it might need some more fencing. Stay tuned. No more big fencing though, which is great, and we don't anticipate anything more like that.
- Property across the school has a lot of garbage dumped there - Sheryl called the city and made a complaint.

Meeting ended: 7:07pm