

FROST ROAD PAC – Minutes

Thursday, Oct 21, 2021

via Zoom

Attendees: Boris Deuma, Amen Sangha, Sunam Gill, Elisa Joe, Vicky Deol, Jess Kyle, Athena Nery, Kathryn Porter, Geeta Kaushal, Joanne, Wilton

Meeting called to order at 6:03pm

Review / Approval of PAC Meeting Minutes: Elisa motioned to approve the minutes of the September 2021 meeting; Amen seconded, all in favour. Minutes will be added to the school website.

Principal's / Vice-Principal's Report:

- We respectfully acknowledge that Frost Road Elementary is located on the shared, unceded, traditional territory of the Katzie, Semiahmoo and Kwantlen Nations.
 - A PAC member suggested sharing a personalized land acknowledgement. If anyone would like to do this, please feel free at the next meeting.
- Upcoming events:
 - An upcoming spirit day will bring awareness to Type I Diabetes.
 - Students from the intermediate grades will help setup the pumpkins for the school's 'pumpkin patch' next week. Plan is to set it up on the pavement to avoid wet/muddy grass.
 - Students are welcome to wear Halloween costumes or black/orange clothing next Friday.
 - The Remembrance day assembly will be held virtually. Students are busy working on poems or songs to share during the assembly.
- The school raised \$1000 for the Terry Fox foundation, from the Terry Fox run held at the school.

Treasurer's Report:

- Month of September: No withdrawals or deposits made.
- Month of October: The only transaction in the gaming account that the Treasurer was aware of to date, was the cheque for the cost of the pumpkins. The PAC is funding the entire cost of the pumpkins for the pumpkin patch.
- Gaming grant clarification:

- Per the last meeting, we discussed that the budget for “Gaming” is usually for items such as: sporting equipment, field trips, activities such as a Fun Fair. It is not spent for Educational purposes.
- We have used it for the pumpkin patch the school is hosting this year; the spirit wear t-shirts that were purchased last year.
- Other ideas it can be used toward: extra-curricular activities such as a Music club, Dance club, Chess club, etc. At this time, there’s not much activity for Clubs at the school, due to the ongoing covid pandemic.
- Question: Can the gaming grant be used for activities that take place after school, hosted by external/independent companies? Amen will check on this.

Request for Technology upgrade

- Technology at the school is old and does not work correctly. The staff would like to purchase new laptops.
- Vice-principal has emailed the PAC a cost breakdown for the laptops.
- PAC executives will review what we can offer out of the PAC budget and revisit this item at next month’s meeting.

Fundraising

- The Purdy’s fundraiser has just begun and we’ve already received many orders! We have one month to go for order placement.
- Distribution of the chocolate orders will be done on December 10. We have a few PAC members that have volunteered to help with this (Thank you!).
- Fundraisers will always have a goal eg. the monies raised from this fundraiser will go toward purchasing the tone chimes for the music department. (discussed at the September 2021 PAC Meeting).
- Some parents wish to donate funds without having to buy anything. We might be able to set something up through the “Munch-a-Lunch” website. There may be a way to setup a link to accept fundraising donations from parents. PAC will review this and confirm.

Other

- “Munch-a-lunch”: this is an online platform, where parents can place and pay for hot lunch orders for their children at the school.
- Requires help from PAC members to distribute the lunch orders to the classrooms.
- At this time, we are not organizing any munch-a-lunch orders, due to the ongoing covid pandemic. We hope to have the first Fun “munch-a-lunch” in Spring 2022. To be discussed at the first PAC Meeting of 2022.

Meeting adjourned at: 6:35pm

* Please note information is subject to changes prior to the adoption of meeting minutes, at the next PAC meeting scheduled on November 18, 2021 @ 6pm.