

PAC MINUTES: October 16, 2020

Parent Advisory Council Meeting Cindrich- TEAMS

Agenda

1. Introductions
2. Purpose of PAC
3. Positions within the PAC
4. Principals report
5. New Business: Fundraising, Classroom funds, PE Equipment, any other new items that

Minutes recorded by Patty Maharaj: Meeting started @ 1:04pm

2020-2021 Cindrich Elementary PAC Members:

Position	Name	Email
Chair/President	Satwinder Kahlon	girns@hotmail.com
Vice-Chair		
Secretary		
Treasurer	Bobbi Bannister	bobbibannister@hotmail.com
DPAC Rep		
Members at Large	Konica Nagpal, Caroline Torres, Jas Kalkat, Vaneet Saund, Tina Vo,	
Principal	Patty Maharaj	
Vice-Principal	Laurel Smith	

Welcome and Introductions

Thank you to everyone who has come today.

Approval of Agenda

First: Konica
Seconded: Jas

PAC: The PAC officially represents the collective voice of parents in a school. It helps to advise the principal on matters relating to the school. PAC's have tremendous value in sharing messages, offering ideas, and contributing the success of the school community. Each member of the PAC has a right to vote on ideas put forward.

PAC is not a forum to discuss problems and conflicts with students and/or staff members.

Positions:

- Chair: Reports out at each PAC meeting sharing voice of parents
- Vice-Chair: Same as above
- Secretary: Takes notes during the meeting and will follow up with any emails that parents may send to the PAC
- Treasurer: Takes on the finances of the PAC (independent from the school)- accounting experience is of value
- DPAC Rep: District Parent Advisory Council has monthly meetings. Parent would attend meeting and report back out at our monthly meeting
- Members at Large: those who do not take an official position within the PAC but are present on a regular basis
- If there is anyone who would like to take on an empty position or anyone who would like to shadow the president or treasurer for this year, please let us know!

Principal's Report

- We have had a busy start to the year. Covid-19 has definitely presented its challenges to our school opening. Currently we have 329 students registered in our face to face program and 94 students in our blended program. We have 7 students attending a regional blended model meaning they are registered at Cindrich but are being taught by a teacher from another school. There is currently no room in our blended program.
- Classes are paired into learning groups/cohorts. This mainly plays a role when playing outside as classes are paired together in a play zone. This took a lot of learning but students are now doing a great job!
- We have had 2 emergency drills: fire and earthquake. We will be having a lockdown drill in November.
- Our annual Cindrich Pumpkin Patch will take place on October 28th. We are asking for a 2 dollar donation per student. This helps to alleviate the cost of the pumpkins as they are quite high this year. It is a tradition we wanted to maintain for normalcy of the school.
- As of right now, no school sports are permitted. However, we are trying to organize sports within our grade 6/7 cohorts to give our older students a chance to participate in physical activity.
- For assemblies, we have been doing virtual assemblies where students have created videos that is shared within the school. This has been a nice way to connect with the school. We will do something similar for Remembrance day.

Chair Report

- **Chair was not present**

Financial Report

- Our beginning budget for the year is approximately \$13000.00
- This will be a hard year in regards to increasing this total. Half come from gaming supplies.

New Business

Fundraising Ideas: Face Masks with school Logo- Patty will inquire with Wally and Carolina will inquire with an independent provider to compare costs
-Patty will inquire with other schools about their fundraising ideas

Classroom funds: In previous years, teachers have been given a certain amount of money from the PAC to spend on their classroom. Will this continue this year? What amount would you be willing to provide?

-Unanimous vote agreed to \$100 per class to support student learning

PE Equipment:

Our current PE equipment is old and outdated. We are missing class sets of useful equipment. We would like to propose asking for approximately \$3000.00 from PAC funds to purchase equipment for this year.

- Postponed to next meeting when we know our budget

Other: Blended Learning: Patty will provide more information about our blended learning model in our next school newsletter

Classroom Parent: We would like representation from one parent per division. Patty will inquire with classroom teachers at her month end staff meeting and encourage teachers

Next Meeting: Friday, November 20th @1pm

Adjourned at 1:39