

Courtenay Elementary PAC Meeting Minutes January 11th 2021

Board Members Renee Chapman <u>reneegaudette@hotmail.com</u> - Chair

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Present

1. Stacey Baulne

2. Jill Dominick

3. Marjorie Hendrickson

4. Shawn Thir

5. Christine Pritchard

6. Zoe Hartley Carter

7. Anji Mackenzie

8. Marije wagenmakers

9. Christine Bergen

10. Cynthia Sklarchuk

11. Alicia Fairweather

12. Renee Chapman

13. Ceilidh Iwanson

14. Catherine Manson

15. Andrew Ferneyhough

Meeting called to order 6:30pm

Indigenous Acknowledgement - I would like to Acknowledge that we are on the traditional territories of the K'omoks First Nations. We would like to thank them for the privilege of living on the land and the gift of working with their children.

Approval of December minutes - approved by Alicia Fairweather

Office Report - Catherine Manson

- Staff- Donna Frowen in for Ashley Larkin until she can return
- Renee Chapman- New Behavior resource EA
- COVID- most students are back at school, a few families keeping kids home for a few weeks.
- PBIS- positive behavior instructional support
- ORCA- Own it, Resourceful, Caring, Aspire
- Christmas- The lunch was great, videos to show off what we were doing
- Outdoor learning area: We'd like to start
- Picnic tables- \$1800 each
- Outdoor shed- \$3000

Community School Report - Shawn Thir

DPAC Meeting (Jan.4, 2021 AGM)

Election of new board of directors:

Chair: Brooke Finlayson (Brooklyn) Vice Chair: Jennifer Fisher (Robb Rd) Secretary: Jocelyn Manley (Vanier)

Treasurer: Spring Halasz (Highland and Montessori)

Upcoming Events:

- Tuesday Jan 12th 6:30-8:30pm The Problem with Discipline with Christopher Burt
- Thursday Feb 4th 7-9pm The White Hatter presents: Online Sexual Predation and Exploitation: What is the Threat, and what can caregivers do to help minimize the risks
- Thursday Feb 11th 7-9pm The White Hatter presents: Distribution of Intimate Images, Nudes, Sexting, and the Canadian Law: Consent, Choices, Consequences and Harm Reduction
- Wednesday Feb 24th- 7-9pm The White Hatter presents: Gaming: Concerns, Balance,
 Addiction & Opportunities

Email dpac@sd71.bc.ca to register to receive a Zoom link.

Next DPAC Meeting: February 2, 2021 via Zoom

Community School

- Update from Courtenay El regarding accessibility ramp: still ongoing. Seismic upgrade possibility, everything is on hold until that is decided in February.
- Comox Valley Community Foundation. The Society was awarded an \$8,000 grant to build cabinets along the back wall of the school kitchen. Virtual award ceremony is Wednesday, Jan. 27 at 1pm. Currently arranging for a photographer to take shots this week. (Probably Friday the 15 th.)
- Charitable status. The Society applied to receive charitable status in early July. Had a phone
 call with the administrators in Ottawa and should receive a final decision on status in a
 month.
- Coffee. Socially distanced coffee for parents outside every Friday morning. Have received \$12 in donations from parents to date!
- After school activities. Currently holding an art club, games club, and athletics/gym club by cohort, and paying EAs to supervise. Looking to start an open gym for Cohort 3.
- Garden. Waiting for proposal from Lake Trail about using our garden. Have sent a reminder.
- Merch. Working with Jill Dominick (17 th Street Clothing Co.) to create Courtenay El merch. Ordered 100 small T-shirts, which should arrive soon. Will be given them out to all Ks currently in school and who will join Courtenay El this year. Remainder of T-shirts will be sold. Will begin offering child and adult T-shirts and hoodies in royal blue and gray soon.

Finalizing prices. Youth T-shirt should be around \$17 (Adult: \$22), Hoodies: around \$40. All are high-quality Gildan brand.

- Rotary Christmas Lunch. Went off very smoothly. Plates and Rotary delivered to the school,
 Ms. Shelly had the kitchen organized and portioned out everything per class, and her elves delivered lunches to individual classes. Incredibly quiet event.
- If you are wondering why there is no YouTube video, SD71 rules on uploading to an external site have changed, so the video was uploaded to a SharePoint site maintained by the district.
- Christmas cheer. The Society received a \$2,000 donation from CloutierMatthews accountants on Dec.18. Also received a \$1,250 donation via Benevity, an online donation platform.
- Some of the Society funds will be earmarked for the new garden adjacent to the visitor parking lot that is scheduled to be built.

School Board Report - Kat Hawksby - Kat.hawksby@sd71.bc.ca Absent

Treasurer Report - Ceilidh Iwanson

Gaming account \$6860.32 General account \$8,492.45

Money paid since last meeting:

Renee \$89.47 (holiday guessing jar gift basket and locks for the PAC cupboard)

Money brought in:

Gift basket fundraiser Made \$63.96 Will deposit that money with Subway fundraiser this week

Upcoming expenses:

\$40.00 to Mrs. Vincent's class for winning the "guess how many snowflakes fit in the snowman"

Montessori Society update - Marije Wagenmakers

50/50 raffle wasn't as successful as hoped. Planning to do another fundraiser in the spring

Chair Report: Renee Chapman

Purdys - Cynthia

All the sellers are going to receive lunch as a thank you for participating. Looking for volunteers to help with this

Hot lunch - Stacey Baulne

- Subway this month on the 20th
- Cobbs at the end of the month
- February hot lunch Chow mein Lunar new year week of 15th- 19th.
- Cobbs: february valentines theme treat **Stacey Baulne**

Co-Chair - Stacey Baulne Resigning from Co-Chair position effective today. Renee Chapman moved to accept Stacey's resignation as Co-chair.

Seconded by Christine Pritchard Resignation accepted with no objections.

Nominations to fill this role will be open next meeting.

Side Garden project

Renee Chapman moved to donate \$750 to the new garden Seconded by Shawn Thir Motion carried by vote

Bulletin board - in process

Kitchen - Miss shelly needs a new teflon skillet. This will be looked into and voted on next week if over \$100

Meeting adjourned at 7:09pm

Next meeting is Monday Feb 8th 2021, at 6:30 on zoom