Hornby Island Community School PAC Meeting Date: January 11<sup>th</sup>, 2023 Location: Ravens Room

• Childcare in Tea Room

Time: 3:30-5pm

Call to order: 3:54

In Attendance: Britt Hanson, Jamara , Judith Ayers, Amanda Zeilinski, Jade Wilson, Sandra Rutherford, Meredith Mcevoy, Ondrea Rogers, Braea Walmsley, Jala Klone, Ashley Faith Martens, Deirdre Atkinson, Chelsea McCannel Keene

# **Recognition of Traditional Territories**

We respectfully acknowledge that we are living, learning and playing on the beautiful unceded traditional territory of the Pentlatch Peoples and the K'ómoks First Nation, the traditional keepers of this land.

## Agenda

## 1. Introductions

In attendance: Additions to the agenda *I, Britt Hanson, will make a motion to approve agenda for todays meeting DATE First , Britt Hanson. Second, Faith Martens* Read last meetings minutes Corrections? *I, britt hanson, will make a motion to approve minutes from meeting DATE* 

First, britt hanson. Second, faith martens

# 2. Old Business

- Swing Update (Dierdre): The entire swing project is projected to cost around \$32,000; 4 swings and 1 accessible swing with rubber floor. funding is still TBD as follows: SD71 \$6000 installation, CVRD \$10,000 (approved), Variety grant \$10,000 (awaiting approval); more funding in the works.
- Gardening Update (Jala): Farm to School grant approved for plot at the community garden \$632. Jala will meet with staff and heather next week to plan.
- New Compost Bin: Ondrea will work on getting a new one. Jade makes motions to spend up to \$250 for new compost bin, faith seconds the motion
- Popcorn Maker: Laila Peterson will buy one

## 3. Reports

- o VP -Judi Ayers
- Casey Doss:

I'd like to say a warm welcome to two new grade 4 students and their families! Our class size is now at 21 students.

- 11 grade 4's
- 4 grade 3's
- 6 grade 2's

This term we are going to be taking deep dive into learning many new things and also picking up where we left off before the break.

Science: our Flora and Fauna of the Pacific Northwest project is taking a new direction starting this Monday. Half the class will come with me to the Natural History Centre and half will be in the classroom for a lesson with our teacher librarian Ashley MacQuerrie. The following Monday the groups will switch and so on for the month of January (and Feb. if all goes well). The opportunity to work on our projects in the centre opens up many streams of learning regarding biodiversity, biomes, food webs, habitats, skeletal structures, adaptations, relationships within the natural world and much more.

Field trip planning for Feb & March is in full effect!

In Physical Education we have started a dance unit as well as basketball.

Monday/Wednesday = Gym with Britt / Basketball

Tuesday/Thursday = Dance

Math is a huge focus this term, I have built units of study from the many amazing resources we have at our school. We started out with telling time and are doing a big review before launching into the units. If you have an inclination to math and would like to come help out during our math time, please be in touch.

In Social Studies we are happily weaving our Wampum Belts and learning with Heather every second Wednesday. I won't say too much because I am looking forward to your child/ren sharing with you at their student led conference.

Literacy is going well; we have many routines that we follow and learn within. Our learning support teacher has implemented various reading and reading comprehension programs to support students. Judi has trained me on how to do Writers Workshop, I am building the folders as you read this. We are finishing up our novel study on the Wild Robot and the class voted to read the sequel, The Wild Robot Escapes.

Treasurers report - Braea: Tea Towel Income \$2205. Bank Accounts: checking \$14,951.03; Gaming \$2000; Equity \$25; Petty Cash \$218.55. Florette has requested \$600-\$700 for books. Braea makes a motion to give \$1000, Britt seconds the motion

#### 4. Committee Reports

- Field Trips: Grades 6/7 Vargas Island trip will be june 6-7. The total cost for the trip will be \$6000 based on 20 people. A deposit of half the cost (\$3080) is required to book it. Braea motions for PAC to pay the deposit; Faith seconds the motion. A sliding scale fee of \$150-\$200 will be required for each student, to help pay for the trip. Funding can be arranged if students are unable to pay the fee. Fundraising can also help supplement costs.
- Ideas for a grade 4/5 field trip: Braea will inquire about Wild Play in Nanaimo

- Winter Faire dates for next year: Dracy has booked RTG for wreath making nov 27 and 30th. winter faire December 2, 2023 (tentatively)
- Tea Towel Update: Very successful as usual! Amanda makes a motion to buy more tea towels before the price rises soon, Faith seconds the motion.
- Food Program Update: Muffins from January to march, salad bar weekly, hot lunch weekly; Volunteers needed!
- School Goals for this year, Revisiting mission, vision, values: TBD

### 5. New business

- Fundraising Ideas: Family day bake sale
- Hornby High School (Amanda Zeielinski): Still gathering info and student needs. The current high school students would like to have their own work space, possibly a portable? New funding for classrooms will be available soon; partnering with HIES is a good option for highschool classroom/teen space.

### 6. Upcoming Events

• Spring Concert- The Atkinsons: Spring Swing Fling Fundraiser in March

## 7. Next Meeting

Second Wednesday of every month Date/time/location: February 8<sup>th</sup>, 2023 3:45-5pm (Place TBD depending on afterschool programs – Raven Room or Gym).

### 8. Meeting Adjourned: 5:33 pm