
PAC General Meeting

Wednesday, December 13, 2023

6:36pm Call to Order

Attendees - Meets Quorum with 9 Voting Non Executive Members.

Heather Morris (Chair), Candice Pauloski (Vice), Joanne Barr (Sec), Cassandra Tomlinson (Treas) Mike Johnston (DPAC), Zale Darnel (Principal) , Cristi May Sacht (Trustee), Meghan Peacock, Melissa Neufeld, Danelle Hunter, Rosellen Lancashire, Tiffany Hicks, Valerie Gregor, Meleny Carnduff, Nicole Spooner, Tanya Williams

Welcome

Minutes and Agenda Approvals

November 15, 2023 Minutes

Motion Joanne, Second Cassandra approved

November 27, 2023 Minutes

Motion Valerie, Second Mike approved

December 13, 2023 Agenda

Motion Candice second Tiffany approved

Principal Report 6:35 to 6:50

Volleyball over, gr 7 place 4th at Lake Trail Tournament,

Basketball started 6/7

Intramural Soccer moved indoors in tournament bracket 3 teams will be presented metals. Might do something in the spring

My Ed reports intermediate learning updates came home last week Friday, Portfolios e and paper for primary, with learning summary coming home in Jan.

Field Trips are in full swing.

Recycling helps support the music ed. Take your bottles to the depot, use the phone school phone number to support music select school to support pac select pac.

Leadership - EDAS, Recycling, will meet with Jerney Morrow at the district office in the new year.

Minecraft Club at lunch, Environmental club in the new year

Art Starts was supposed to come but it was canceled due to illness, hoping to have rescheduled in the new year.

Grade 4 going to Big House,

K/1 potluck happened, UBC STEM came and worked with staff and classes (leaves material so the staff can continue)

Winter Concert - Tuesday Dec 19, 1 and 6, please park on the east side (incoming) for safety.

Seniors Tea Dec 20

Last Day before Winter Break is the 22nd returning on Jan. 8th.

Chair Report 6:50 to 7:00

Report Welcome to the new executive, thank you to the outgoing executive.

Held executive only meeting and have developed a plan for the remainder of the year, more executive only meeting have been scheduled over the next 2 months

Old Business Gave Brief description of C&B and expressed the importance of having these updated. Executive has continued to focus on this and will hold a special presentation meeting.

New Business Heather Motion to move AGM from FEB meeting to MAY meeting, due to delays and continued business. Mike seconds. Motion Passed - 11 YES 2 NO.

Committee Reports 7:00 to 7:30

Hot Lunch Joanne Presented - Numbers continue to hold strong with 84% of the school population ordering. Committee is meeting to review profit margins and hope to reduce this, move focus from profiting on food and shift fundraising focus to fundraisers. Keep Lunch focused on food.

Fun Fair Jodi is not present, Cassandra presented, date set for May 31st 4 to 8 on a Friday. Waiting to hear from Bounce a rama, letter to be prepared for silent auction. If you are interested, talk to Cassandra and Jodi.

Fundraising Kate is not present, Cassandra Presented - Swag is here and available for pick up, will be sent home to kids \$560 approx. 41 order 101 sold. NOT VAN ISLAND Valerie doesn't think we should be sourcing out vendors that are not local.

DFS 29 participates \$1395.72 profit, out of Surrey

Next Good Earth Farms Seeds in FEB 4.75 we get 1.25 profits. All online

ART CARDS in Feb. Heather will be running this one. (Art will start in Feb sales will be later)

School Cookbook in April (Kate and Julie) , Leaving the rest of the year to focus on Fair.

Events Mike presented Open Gym 3 have happened, and will continue to run into the spring.

Craft fair had 19 tables. A few were sick the day of, great turn out, next year will run for only 1 to 1 ½ hour, some kids sold out. \$156 in donations for hot chocolate.

Movie Night coming in Jan.

Policy and Procedures Joanne Presented, Met last month, worked on TOR and planned and started a handbook, shared ideas and created a focus on areas that need to be highlighted quicker than others. Shared info we gathered from other PAC in the district and Provincially, BCCPAC. This is a unique committee for no other PAC that has policies and procedures we are hoping we can set a standard. Meeting next month, if you are interested please share your PAC and Policy building experience we are happy to have you join. Reach out to Joanne or MBEPAC email.

Mental Health Jackie not present Heather presented, shared purpose, set the committee apart from the school initiatives and encourage advocacy. Next meeting will be in Jan. Want to join contact Jackie or MBPAC email

Indigenous Connection Valerie - First meeting has been held, Background is to finish the elders corner, Scheduled Next meeting with Bruce Calos (P of Indigenous Ed) for Jan to see what options are available to us within the district. The hope is to have the art for the Elders Corner to be completed by the end of the school year.

Looking for an elder for openings at assemblies and school year start.

We will need more funds for Art.

Cassandra asked about grants Valerie most deadlines have passed, but it's a great idea to for future ideas

We require an elder for grants, Zale has had many discussions with Bruce, the elders have access conflicts. It is something that is a continuous conversation

Trustee Report 7:30 to 7:35

Busy times with holidays and Christmas coming so quickly, we have been busy doing extra working groups to get more accomplished.

Our riveting last board meeting was on Nov 28th. I am happy to announce the position and roles of our board have been established for the year, all school trustee liaisons are keeping their current schools, Michelle Waite and Susan Leslie will continue as Chair and Vice Chair another year. BCSTA Reps are SJ and Shannon, BCPSEA are Chelsea and Myself.

I attended the Nov IEC (Indigenous Education Council) meeting, and we discussed the Targeted funding budget, plans for community consultation and Bruce Carlos shared new legislation regarding IECs involvement in all indigenous.

Our board has never felt so unified working towards common goals and we are all excited about the Strat Plan work ahead. We are engaging with a consultant and I look forward to the process.

Our superintendent is doing phenomenally and we are extremely grateful for the pivotal contributions he has already made in only a couple of months.

I would love to hear more from parents in ways to collaborate on our upcoming strategic plan.?

Treasurer Report 7:35 to 7:45

Haven't completed much DFS funds are in, Swag profits have not arrived (chq is in the mail), only funds spent over the past 2 months piano, hot lunch expenses, basketballs

Joanne Motioned to add a line item of \$1000 to the PAC Budget for Mrs. B to use for the spring musical Heather Seconds, discussion motion Passed 10 YES 3 NO

DPAC Report 7:45 to 8

Mike stated you should check out the meetings, very interesting with tons of information.

Check out the flyers,

Presentation by Comox Valley rent bank, is an organization run by the Comox Valley Affordable housing society. They offer interest free loans for renters who are dealing with an unexpected crisis. Dawn is the case manager who runs the program and it is open to all renters in the Comox Valley experiencing a short term crisis. There is more information on the handouts on the desk.

Sexual Health Committee key takeaways were that there are some parent education updates which includes 988 suicide crisis line access by call or text free of charge. There are hubs across Canada and they connect you to local resources. Children can text connect to 686868 anywhere in Canada to access the kids help phone.

Also Hope for wellness Indigenous Services Canada is pleased to announce that the 24/7 First Nations and Inuit Hope for Wellness Help Line has expanded to include mental wellness counseling and crisis intervention through online chat. 18552423310

Linq in Courtenay across from the CRA is hosting a youth resource fair on December 14th between 2 and 5pm. There are some information sheets on the desk.

Emergency Preparedness committee highlight from the superintendent of schools is that the most feasible solution would be a 4 year replacement plan spending 25k per year to build and stock the emergency supplies. There was talk of doing a survey with parents to see how prepared we all are in case of an emergency. Do you know the rules for picking up your child in such a situation? Do you have an alternate register to pick your child up if you are unable? Questions like that. Jen brought up the point that wildfires should be included, not just earthquakes in the plan.

Open Discussion

Hot Chocolate was way too hot, we have burnt mouths, can we add cooler water or temp check.
Insurance for events items for the next meeting.

Action Items

1. C&B Executive only meeting
2. Moved Jan Meeting to the 17th
3. Special C&B presentation meeting on the 24th
4. Moved Feb meeting to the 21st due to valentines Day

Next Meeting

Jan 17th, 2024

Special Meeting Jan 24

Feb 21st

Motion to Adjourn Meeting by Heather, Seconded by Tiffany, Meeting Adjourned at 7:46