

## Pac Meeting Minutes Monday November 4, 2019

Attending: Stephanie, Leila, Alisha, Rob, Kat, Melanie, Keri, Juan, Lisa, Tara, Carol Cahoon (Board of trustees) Sarah

Welcome and Intros (Steph)

Stephanie moves to accept October minutes and Leila seconds the motion.z

### PRESIDENTS REPORT:

N/A

### TREASURERS REPORT:

- Alisha would like to add Leila as an authorized signature.
- Holding a silent auction at the dance will not require a license.
- Family Donations 2589.43
  - \$1843.00 of these donations came from munchalunch which is a big jump from last year.
- Fresh to you fundraiser \$\$414.40
- Parent Social \$142.15
- Treat Day \$223.50
- Movie Night \$353.49

### HOT LUNCH

Plenty of parents have volunteered for hot lunch so far this year.

### UPCOMING EVENTS

- Nov 15 Treat day- Moved to create more space between Halloween
- November 21 & 22 Kinder Books Book Fair – the coordinator from Kinder Books will work the book fair as well as set up and take down so minimal volunteers needed
- November 22<sup>nd</sup> Family Dance – volunteers needed for set up and take down as well as concession. A sign up genius page was sent out to families Oct 28<sup>th</sup>. We are also in need of donations towards our silent auction.

### PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

- Remembrance day assembly Friday, November 8th
- Student led conferences November 27<sup>th</sup> & 28<sup>th</sup> - early dismissal
- district is working with MyEducation BC on a new report card – will feature the same format but parents will eventually be able to access things electronically.
- Jocelyn Reeves will be doing a presentation at a conference in California and she will be talking about the Concentric Rings of Care and Meadowbrook Elementary
- New guidance councilor starts in April

\_The two benches on the lower playground need to be replaced.

Tara has sourced out stone benches from Squamish. \$550/each, \$250 delivery and \$150-\$250 for placement.

We have to pay for removal of old benches, district has to approve new area.

-Parenting Wisely is a free course being held at Porter Elementary and beginning Tuesday, January 21, 2020 from 9:30-11:30am. This course will run for 7 consecutive Tuesdays until March 3, 2020.

Registration is at Porter's school office between Monday, January 6 and Friday, January 17.

#### School emergency survival supplies

-Pro D day was successful. 7 teachers went to the Reggio seminar. Teachers are feeling enthusiastic and inspired.

-A note will be sent to parents letting them know that they can donate to the Backpack Buddies program using School Cash Online.

#### EMERGENCY PREPERATION REPORT

-Rob and Tara had a meeting this morning to go over next steps.

-The boys dressing room is where many of the school's emergency supplies are kept and it is currently being used to store additional items. The rooms will be reorganized with specific areas being kept clear for easy access to emergency supplies.

-An inventory of emergency bags will be conducted to see what needs to be replaced

-Rob suggested having a fundraiser selling emergency kits to families with a portion of the sales going to our school's emergency preparedness.

-If our school stands empty after a natural disaster there is a possibility that anyone in the community could use the space if their own homes have been compromised.

-Auria Johnson is a teacher and parent at the school within walking distance who could help families access the building.

-The upper field is high enough to provide a safe space to collect in the event of a flood.

-Of the \$900 we have received for emergency preparedness we only have \$150 left. We may be receiving more money from the district to put towards EP this year and we will find out before Christmas.

The PAC has budgeted \$200 towards EP.

#### DPAC REPORT

- There is a plan for a green school project (greenest school in Canada). This school will be located on Burke Mountain. The district is fundraising for this initiative.

-The DPAC meeting had a focus on restorative justice practices (how are you going to make it better)

-The DPAC would like to collect ideas from members to create parent education seminars.

-Kat suggested a program called Circle of Security, which is in line with the Conentric Rings of Care. She will send Keri the information.

- The DPAC theme this year is "Connecting the Community"

-Also want to hear about our PAC successes

-The BC Teacher's Federation addressed the Ministry's plan to change how it funds services for children with special needs.

## NEW BUSINESS

Swings :

-School district needs to apply for PEP and Spirit of Coquitlam grants on the school's behalf

-Ideal to have a new playground inside the next 5-7 years so it would be great to get in the queue

-Work order in progress for the slide to be replaced

-Tara and Leila to work on what kind of materials and info the ditrict needs to get on the list for grant application

-We are already on the list for swings and they might be able to bump us up because of lost playground.

Stephanie puts forth a motion to put \$20,000 aside for 4-6 swings.

Juan seconds the motion.

The vote passes with 7 in favour.

Tara to give us a date once district is ready to prep, then we will order the swings.

Leila and Tara to give more info on grant application process next meeting.

Tara to talk to staff about what kind of playground they see in the future.

Share Society tri-cities not for profit

Caring neighborhood program

Adopt a family for Christmas given ages and genders for children

Stephanie to write an email to teachers