

Graham Bruce PAC Meeting MINUTES

Thursday, November 22, 2018

Call to order time: 6:35 pm

Members in attendance: Vince Sharma (Chair), Anjula Joshi (Secretary), Priscilla Deer (Events/Sponsorships), Jen Yong, Patricia Drescher, Kim Le, Tracy Major, Natlie Sharma, Sean Marlyn (Principal)

Regrets: Danica Hendry (Treasurer), Tiago Maximo (Social Media)

1. Adoption of previous meeting minutes: Oct 2018
 - Priscilla adopted, Natlie seconded

2. Principal's Report: Mr. Marlyn (10 min)

- Remembrance Day Assembly
- Meet the Gr. 7s tomorrow
- Angela Roguski - parenting workshops
- Gr. 7 Peer/Playground Helpers
- Garden - trying to get kids more involved, can we reach out to Windermere Garden Coordinator? We can also have parent volunteers. Proposal for some garden beds for the classes to work in, some beds for indigenous plants, pollinator garden. Tracy and Natlie would like to volunteer.

3. School Event: Movie: The Grinch @ Metrotown

- Mon Dec. 17. Movie: \$7 each, Bus Transportation: \$8 each (need to use buses because arrival time is 9:30 am, skytrain didn't work out well in previous years)
- School is asking if PAC could cover \$5/child = \$1250, parents would pay \$10
- We can use gaming funds (for student transportation)
- PAC voted YES to pay \$5 per child, plus full amount for those unable to pay \$10

4. Treasurer's Report: (Danica/Vince)

- See attached reports
- Mel picked up WeDo, Lego Mindstorms, and 2 iPads
- Canopy tent - need to find/create a vector file with our school logo

5. Digital Code of Conduct / Devices at school (Danica / Anjula)

- There have been incidents where personal devices are being used by students in school library before 9am, accessing inappropriate content
- There is a "no devices" rule - no devices are to be used when inside the school, or only with permission of an adult for a specific purpose
- Sean has talked to the kids who were using their devices in the library, there have not been any further incidents
- This year actually seems to be better than last year, kids with their own cell phones keep them in their backpacks, kids do not have their phones out at recess or lunch

6. Playground swings (Tracy)

- Swings are very squeaky and loud, can they be oiled?
- Zipline on purple playground gets stuck and jammed
- Sean can request grounds people to come and maintain the playground
- They are scheduled come around about once a year

7. After school programs

- Some programs fill up quickly, people start lining up at 2pm, should some of the activity registration be done using a lottery system?
- More after school programs are needed, although some of the programs that have been offered have not been filling up

8. New Community Events and Fundraising in 2019 (Vince/Priscilla)

- Purdy's chocolate sales, forms have gone home
- Christmas concert - Wed Dec 19 @ 1:15. Kimmy has volunteered to run the concession stand. Anjula will send out an email asking for baked goods donations
- Raffle Tickets
- Silent Auction baskets @ Gr. 7 Mini-Carnival
- Can we move mini-carnival to after school so parents can come too? Check with Mr. Tam.

9. Childminding (Natie)

- Collingwood Annex - Rosanna and Pilar who run the afterschool programs do childminding for PAC meetings, and receive an honorarium of \$20 each for 1 hour. They take care of the kids in one classroom. They would be willing to do the childminding for us
- We would prefer to pay for childminding rather than pizza. All agreed to cancel pizza and pay for child minding - \$30 each for 1.5 hours = \$60 per meeting
- Include in next email - no pizza, but 2 experienced childcare providers in multi-purpose room

10. Field trip Buses

- buses that were not used last year - can teachers carry those over to this year?
- buses cost at least \$400 now (Eg. Burnaby Village \$409.50)
- last year teachers had difficulty booking buses
- Can we increase the bus budget? - discuss at next meeting

11. Website (Priscilla)

- Do we know any web designers who could help us improve the look of our website? Natie will ask a friend
- We also need list of students who are not allowed to have photos posted

Meeting Adjourned: 8:00 pm

NEXT PAC MEETING: January