

Eagle Harbour Montessori
PAC Meeting Minutes October 10, 2023.

Attendees: Principal Nathan Blackburn, Vice-Principal Debbie Tobin,
PAC Chair Andrea Hladik, Hot Lunch Coordinator Tricia Foley,
After School Programs Coordinator Carrie Siu (sent regrets and provided update via Sharon),
PAC Treasurer Tara Niemetz,
PAC Secretary TBD,
Fundraising Coordinators Melissa Dabrowski and Randeep St. Jaques
Parents Aoife Cashman and Sharon Lee-Flynn, attended in person.

8:42 AM: Meeting Called to Order – Andrea Hladik

- Land Acknowledgment
 - *I acknowledge and am thankful to live, learn, and work on the territory of the Coast Salish people, specifically the Skwxwú7mesh (Squamish) Nation, whose territory West Vancouver Schools resides.*
- Approval of Previous Meeting's Minutes – **Moved by Aoife, Seconded by Sharon**
- Approval of Agenda – **Moved by Sharon, Seconded by Melissa**
- Additions to the agenda (none)

8:43 AM: Administrative Report

Nathan Blackburn

- District wide information
 - New guidelines coming around report cards and schedules which will be standardised across the province. The model will be like the WVSD one we currently use so our families will not notice a major change. 4 descriptor language scale will be implemented.

Debbie Tobin

- Sharon got the pumpkins – thank you. We will commence carving on the Friday 27th October afternoon outside. Students will then take those pumpkins home. Sharon would like to offer the donators (City market) a thank you card to show our appreciation.
- Historical Halloween will be on October 30th and 31st.
- Classroom Wishlist – teachers have asked for PAC support for buses for fieldtrips. We may be able to use the gaming grant funds also for this purpose.

8:51 AM: PAC Exec Reports

8:51 AM: Andrea Hladik (Chair's Report)

- PAC role changes
 - Motion Aoife Cashman to Secretary **Moved by Sharon, Seconded by Andrea**
 - Motion to create a fundraising committee to support Melissa. **Moved by Andrea, Seconded by Aoife**
- School sports gear – we may want to update our logo which is a process that could take a year. Debbie will discuss with the staff at the next meeting and gather information. We can for now move on the current logo and order sports gear. Debbie to talk to Jenny about opening the store. The store does not generate funds in a significant way, the expectation is \$30.
- Thank you, cards. Last year we created a card signed by students which was a great hit. We will create a new one for this school year and perhaps order more than 25, as we used all 25 last year.
- PAC Meetings – we will try to host some of the meetings to the evening when perhaps more parents can attend and invite a speaker for some parent education. February and June are a possibility.
 - Sharon Selby – clinical counsellor, could offer several topics and solutions.
 - Cari Wilson – innovation and technology with digital literacy background
 - Is there anyone topic the PAC would be interested in?
 - SOGI [Sexual Orientation and Gender Identity]

Fundraising Report (Melissa, Randeep)

- Art cards are underway. Goal is to raise \$250.
- Wine night October 12th – Thursday after school drop off Melissa and Randeep will create the wine baskets using the bottles donated. Last year we had 40 attendees, and we are trying to get to 50. Please mention it to parents at pick up.
- Treat day goal is to raise \$800 per year– Tricia can put it on munch a lunch, but we need a specific date, typically once a month on the last Friday of the month. Then parents can go in and pay for it online instead of having cash on the day or giving cash to the children. **Vote to move to payment munch a lunch, majority voted yes by show of hands.**
- Blaze Pizza family dining night is in the schedule for November 21st and February 22nd. Would be great if the kids helped make the poster.
- Purdy's will happen also in November in time for holiday chocolate.
- Book fair goal is to raise \$500 which goes directly to the Library – PAC to work with Debbie around the schedule but likely it will happen in November.
- Capilano market is another vendor which would be an option for school family night out. They will close it off for us.

Treasurer's Report (Tara Niemetz)

- After a frustrating couple of months with the bank, we have finally switched over from outgoing Treasurer Dennise Croes to our new Treasurer Tara Niemetz. Unfortunately, no cheques have been written because of a mistake the bank made in ordering new cheques for us. They are to arrive this week and I will be able to start handing out funds, such as Teacher Classroom Supplies and reimbursement for the Family BBQ Night.

<u>Bank Accounts</u>	<u>Balance in \$CAD as on October 10, 2023</u>
Chequing	11,347.03
Gaming	2,005.00
Savings	2,049.61
Hot Lunch	16,285.94
Total	<u>\$31,687.58</u>

- Gaming grant in the sum of \$2,000 came in on October 5th.
- Welcome BBQ went slightly over budget, but we can make up the small deficit during the year.

Hot Lunch Report (Tricia Foley)

- Food is excellent this year and on time. The school has not had to change the lunch time. Our new Sushi vendor, Ichiban is super and working out well. So far, we are running a profit of \$1,800.
- Wednesday - Movable Feast, opened their menu so we have more option.
- Thursday - Pizza
- Friday – Sushi
- For field trips, parents can cancel a week in advance and keep the credit in their account.

After School's Program Report (Carrie sent an update via Sharon)

- WVSD do not recommend use of roller skates at our gym due to wear and tear damage they can cause to the surface. Program has been scratched from next term.
- Registration numbers for this term are great, so link has been taken out of the e-bulletin.

Traffic and safety update

- Debbie will be sending out a note to all families to slow down. We had an accident close to the school but luckily everyone is ok. Please pass on a message to everyone in the neighborhood to slow down and watch out for children walking to school.
- Bridge from Keith Rd to the beach for school walks – could we write a letter from the school to the District engineering team to help speed along the repair process.

09:40 AM: Meeting Adjourned – Andrea Hladik