

## École Cedardale PAC Special General Meeting – Outdoor Classroom

Location: Microsoft Teams

Date: November 2, 2020

Time: 6:30 pm

### Agenda

1. Call Meeting to Order - Pinder
  - Quorum: 14 parents in attendance
  - Adopt agenda: to review the project details, look for motion to proceed with the project, open the floor for discussion and then we will vote
  - Pinder moves to adopt agenda and Victoria seconds
    - 17 people in favour
  
2. Briefly review details of the project as described in October 17th email to PAC - Damien
  - Idea of building outdoor classroom came from decision of what to do with fundraising funds.
  - Raising a surplus in excess of our operating budget
  - Decided to do a large capital project
  - Leading candidate to build an outdoor classroom
  - Early work underway last year, Arman had an architect provide a rendering and had a survey done
  - COVID impacted the schedule and we are regrouping now
  - Goal is to have the classroom built over the summer 2021, breaking ground at the end of the school year and opening at the beginning of 2021-2022 school year
  - Budget for this year is still good but would leave us with a small operating fund if we took all the money from the funds in hand so the ExecPAC voted to raise funds through a fundraising cheque drive
  - Goal is to raise at least \$20,000 to fund the project
  - Propose Motion to proceed with building outdoor classroom for \$86,000 (check email) and to embark upon fundraising effort to raise \$20,000 through an associated cheque drive as described in email
    - Lyndsey moves on the motion and motion seconded
  - Discussion – Arman will be present to answer project questions
    - Will there be power outlets in the classroom? Arman says there is not at this point, but it is open to discussion and it can be added. Michelle LaBounty says there is a safety factor to consider when the classroom is unmonitored in the evening.
    - Where is the workspace for the children? Damien says the space available is constrained so the amphitheatre seating was born out of the space considerations
    - What about adding First Nations influence into the design? Michelle LaBounty says we are conscious about cultural appropriation and also cost of any art pieces.

However, the school is looking at how to incorporate First Nations influence in the form of, for example, coming to speak to the children.

- Is this what we are voting on for the basic cost and if additional funds are raised, we can consider donating more towards a specific piece? Michelle says yes.
- Damien says we will monitor the progress, cost and schedule and the ExecPAC will oversee the release of funds.
- What kind of material for the flooring? Arman says the simplest way is to use pavers, but open to other ideas as well.
- Can those pavers be bought with naming rights for families? A legacy piece (like WV comm centre)? Damien is open to looking into it, it's a great idea.
- Vote on motion
  - Motion carried: majority of room in favour

### 3. Adjourn meeting – Pinder

- Damien motions to adjourn, and motion is seconded
- All in favour