



PAC Meeting
Wednesday Oct 23, 2019
8:40 am in the Art Room

Present:

Shevaun Brown (Secretary, PAC)
Aron Campbell, Principal
Lisa Fairburn (Chair, PAC)
Lauren Gilchrist
Wendy Human (DPAC rep, PAC)
Kelly Kerklaan (Treasurer, PAC)

Pippa Fry
Heather Nigh
Kelly Richter (Vice-Chair, PAC)
Allison Schatz (Hot Lunch Coordinator, PAC)
Kirstie Simpson
Lisa Sturdy

Meeting called to order @ 8:45 am.

Adoption of minutes from Sept 25th meeting.

Wendy, Kelly

Adoption of the Agenda

Kelly, Kirstie

Chair's Report

- **Circles** – social/emotional learning opportunity; involves 2 classes this year. Motion to approve an additional \$300 for Circles (\$1100 total); Lauren moved to approve; Kirstie seconded.

DPAC Report:

- Wendy summarized the first DPAC meeting of the school year, chaired by our own Kelly Richter.
- School Traffic Advisory Round Table (START) reviews traffic issues around the schools in the district and feed concerns to the PAC reps in each school. 2019 School Travel mini grant available; WH will discuss with Robyn.
- Carolyn Brodie, School Board Chair, reported that teacher bargaining is ongoing.
- Chris Kennedy, Superintendent, reported that district enrollment is up 60 students compared to this time last year; noted that recent incident at Rockridge was exacerbated by parent misinformation.
- Wendy shared that she is a member of the Gleneagles Advisory Committee, which is actively recruiting new members. Please contact Wendy if interested.

Horseshoe Bay Local Area Plan (LAP) presentation by Winnie Yip from the District of West Vancouver

- LAP for Horseshoe Bay intended to establish a plan/vision for land use, building forms and public spaces
- Four phases, beginning with community consultation (eg stakeholder meetings, advisory roundtables, community events, youth workshops); 2700 pieces of input.
- Vision statement: In 2041, Horseshoe Bay will thrive as a charming and livable seaside community and a vibrant and welcoming destination village.
- 12 working principles to achieve desired vision - working principles led to 3 initial concepts for the LAP; community engagement to review draft options.
- Community members encouraged to register for an upcoming *Shape HSB Discussion Café* (this week).

Treasurer's Report:

- Kelly presented the bank balances, recent spending/revenue.
- Oktoberfest event was a success ~ close to \$5K profit.
- Banking with BMO has been limiting; consequently Kelly & Lisa are looking at moving accounts to Coast Capital.
- Substantial donations to the PAC can be made by cheque for 'School District 45' at any time and a tax receipt will be provided. Any donations receiving a tax receipt must go into the Trust Account (held by SD45) and be spent on capital items.
- We are campaigning to have the fundraising tab open on an ongoing basis so that PAC donations can be accepted at any time.

Hot Lunch Report:

- Late start, but Term 1 sales have been positive. At the current volume, projected profits are promising.
- Students are still relying on provision of cutlery; reminders ongoing
- Pizza options need to be explored to improve recyclability, admin convenience/consistency
- Window to be opened this weekend (Oct 25-28) to give parents the opportunity to make changes to initial orders. Short poll to follow to give parents opportunity to provide feedback.
- Potential to introduce 'Max Fruit' or 'Rico & Lolo' popsicles next term, but delivery needs to be carefully considered. Consensus that this could be sold on Fridays only; by a parent volunteer going to classrooms?

Class Parents:

- Staff Appreciation Lunches – Maria has set dates for each term; SB to communicate dates and instructions to divisions responsible, as per the following schedule:
 1. Tuesday December 17 – Divisions 2, 5 and 8 (SB can coordinate)
 2. Wednesday March 11 – Divisions 1, 6 and 10
 3. Monday June 22 – Divisions 3, 4, 7 and 9

Upcoming events:

- Pumpkin Patch – hosted by Sean & Kim Whittall tomorrow after school; profits go to PAC.
- Scholastic Book Fair – November 13-15th; signup coming out today. Parents' morning on the Wednesday (Nov 13th). Parents will be forewarned about the content beforehand so they can discuss with their children.
- Spirit Wear – order forms coming out this week in the GE newsletter. Items are not being sold as a fundraiser but just to cover costs.

Principal's Report

- AC expressed thanks to hot lunch volunteers, parents who came out to Oktoberfest, parents coaching student basketball teams
- Pamela Goldsmith-Jones, outgoing MP for West Van-Sea to Sky, visited Div 3 as part of election discussions and mock election held for students in Grades 4-7.
- Sept 20 Pro-D: staff participated in a mindfulness workshop, 'Mind-Up' focussed on brain science. AC shared the following Brain Science PowerPoint https://drive.google.com/file/d/1SBXeJHO4nh4Vy_hwkVeaAthqHHZk0xMG/view?usp=sharing. He also shared this information at an assembly with primary students, introducing the hand model of the brain <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=FTnCMxEnnv8> and the concept of Flipping Your Lid <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=3bKuoH8CkFc>, when our downstairs brain (AMYGDALA) takes over from our upstairs brain (our PFC).
- AC summarised yesterday evening's Free Range Kids presentation at the Kay Meek. Presenter Dr. Mariana Brussoni's main message was that kids are missing out on valuable experiential learning opportunities due to the obstacles to free, unsupervised, unstructured play outside with peers; AC emphasized that her message needs to trickle down to schools/parents in our community, though our school community has more opportunities for such play than many.

Adjourned; 10:50 am

Next meeting: Wednesday, November 27th @ 6:30pm