

Eagle Mountain Middle PAC Meeting
Tuesday, February 11, 2020
7:00pm in the School Library

Attendance:

Diane M (Chair)	Shannon V (Treasurer)
Mary Anne P (Secretary)	Marcela D
Liz A	Lisa C
Brenda R	Erin
Julie C	
Darren Macmillan	Kirsten Paterson

Meeting was called to order by Diane M at 7:00pm.

1. Welcome & Introductions

- Welcome to Kirsten Paterson, our new Vice Principal.

2. Approval of Agenda

- Erin motions to approve the agenda. Lisa seconded the motion. All were in favour. The motion carried.

3. Adopt minutes from January 21, 2020

- Julie motions to adopt the minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday, January 21st. Lisa seconded the motion. All were in favour. The motion carried.

4. Admin Report

- Welcome to Kirsten Paterson. Her help with Student Services has been very impactful.
- Month of Caring.
- Rebuilding and strengthening culture.
- Real Acts of Caring. Led by Ms. Jones and Ms. Abram.
- Out in Schools. Parent night last night. Tomorrow for Grade 6's. Then separate one for Grades 7 and 8.
- In two weeks, Vancouver Theatre Sports coming. Inclusion and Diversity.
- School Code of Conduct. Focussing on technology use. Empower the teachers to engage. Children need boundaries and consequences.
- Around the School
- Grade 8 Articulation. Counsellor came today. Course selection in next 2 weeks.
- Grade 5 process will start after spring break.
- Public Speaking - not all teams, but those that are have begun.
- Lots of sports going on. Wrestling, basketball.
- Play started. Auditions.
- Playground

- Starting next Wednesday, the process will begin. Part of the driveway and parking lot will be blocked off. Will try to limit the amount of disruption.
- The crane will be operational for only 2 days - the school must be vacant for those days for safety.
- Should be completed by the start of Spring Break.
- Jodi Derksen will come to staff meeting in March. Then we'll see where and what she can do further.

5. Treasurer Report

- Random Act of Kindness budget: \$100
- Thunderbird Ambassadors: \$100
- So if those can apply to February.
- Each team given \$1,300. Has anyone spent anything?
- Two items from last year: \$100 for Ambassadors (for disposables) and the Raven signs.
- Some team leaders have come to Darren with ideas. So they are thinking about it.
- Basketball jerseys have been ordered and are en route.
- Gaming Account balance \$14,434
- General Account balance \$36,920

6. DPAC

- Annie could not attend but sent her report from the last meeting.
- Tips on updating Constitution and Bylaws.
- Next Meeting Feb 26

7. Event / Volunteer Opportunity for 2019/20

- Teacher Appreciation -
 - Getting quotes for food
- Grade 8 Leaving -
 - First meeting has happened

8. Presentation options (for parents) through BCTF (carried over)

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9. Constitution and Bylaws update (carried over)

- Diane and Lisa will work on this over Spring Break

10. Anmore Green Estates Septic update

- Diane created a summary / timeline.
- Since our last PAC meeting, the SD sent out a media release that was frustrating and felt antagonistic.
- Diane responded to the SD43 media release, indicating that parents are disappointed in the media release. It's timing and messaging does not give parents assurance that the school board is doing all it can to negotiate a successful solution. The Chair of SD43 offered a face to face meeting to address our concerns.
- Diane spoke to the facilitator (Debra Oakman) today. She reached out to ask Diane about parent concerns. She focussed on the positives that have happened to date. The process to move things along at the Village of Anmore is ongoing (has to be read two or three times). The engineering company has been agreed upon. AGE can now focus on the letter of intent that the SD referenced. It will show "this is what we CAN pay for".
- AGE needs to submit their Letter of Intent.
- Need to agree on which site will be used for connection. The site that SD wants involves pumps. Not unheard of but it is a more difficult situation.
- Process of deciding on connection points. No one group can decide on it. All parties have input on their preferred option. Have to come to a mutual agreement.
- What are the costs that the SD board office refers to? It has to do with legal transfer rights.
- Facilitator encouraged us to keep communication positive, focus on the children and focus on a positive outcome.
- What is the most meaningful action that we can take as parents to influence the decision? This is a good question. We do not know the answer. Diane will inquire.
- The timeline we are working toward: have everything place for an August connection.

11. Other Business

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12. Next meeting March 10, 2020 @ 7pm in Library

13. Adjournment

- Mary Anne motioned to adjourn the meeting at 8:37pm. Shannon seconded the motion. All were in favour. The motion carried.