

Eagle Mountain Middle PAC Annual General Meeting  
Tuesday, June 9, 2020  
7:00pm held via Zoom

Attendance:

Diane MacSporran (Chair)  
Shannon von Richter (Treasurer)  
Annie Tomljanovic (DPAC)

Roxane Tash Reis (Vice Chair)  
Mary Anne Pruner (Secretary)  
Marcela de la Pena

Lisa Cable  
Brenda Ramsay  
Cynthia Boulter  
Sam Park  
Rochelle Heisel  
Katie Golbey

Julie Clement  
Lindsay Wilkinson  
Nicole Neumann  
Ingrid Schum  
Rena Heer  
Charleen Boyko

Darren Macmillan

Kirsten Paterson

Meeting was called to order by Diane MacSporran at 7:02pm.

1. Welcome & Introductions
  - Introductions around the “screen”.
  - Thank you to Darren and Kirsten for always supporting us and helping us make things work on Zoom.
2. Approval of Agenda
  - Lisa motions to approve the agenda. Julie seconded the motion. All were in favour. The motion carried.
3. Adopt minutes from May 12, 2020
  - Annie motions to adopt the minutes of the meeting held by Zoom on Tuesday, May 12th. Shannon seconded the motion. All were in favour. The motion carried.
4. Admin Report - Darren & Kirsten
  - It's nice to see so many people on the zoom call.
  - It is really difficult to judge how kids are doing without being able to see them. We think they are doing well.
  - All staff are back four days per week (M, T, Th, F). We have done it in a safe way and feel that the staff's confidence has increased. This is good news for September.
  - We had 210 students in class last week (30-60 students per day). Class sizes ranged from only 1-2, up to 8-9 in a classroom at a time.
  - We know that students are here to see their friends as much as they are there to learn.
  - If this continues in September, we would want to group kids together in new and different ways. Keeping safety protocols, of course.
  - Kids looked terrified when they arrived last week but left with smiles on their faces. It's not great, but we are managing.
  - Staff have learned a lot about teaching in an online environment. eg. Using technology in meaningful ways, needing to be very clear with expectations
  - Something we have contemplated on over the past few years is that all students need to have a paper planner to learn skills needed for independence. The School will provide every student with one next year.

- We are in full on organizing mode and planning for next year, figuring out team and classroom configuration.
  - The school goal is changing (it's been a math goal for the past couple years). It will be around critical and creative thinking. It can expand to everything from math to personal relationships.
  - Team configuration. There will be some team changes next year.
  - We had one posting, it went to an existing staff - Ms. Clements.
  - Every team will have a little switch (meaning teachers changing.) We are trying to maintain as much continuity with teams for the students.
  - Many of our teachers have passions in specific areas which we are trying to explore. eg. Mr. Kwok and Kirsten working to make a change to the library area. A couple teachers are passionate about outdoor learning opportunities so they are looking at creating spaces for that. (eg. benches outside in forest area, covered teacher board)
  - We will have a Grade 8 Leaving celebration on the 24th. It will be organized team by team, one at a time in a sort of drive through system. Grade 8 families have been emailed with all of the details.
5. Chair Report - Diane
- Thank you to everyone for a successful year. It's a credit to the entire community to adapt and be creative.
  - I appreciate how much parents step forward at the beginning and throughout the year!
  - Thank you to Shannon, MaryAnne, Annie, Roxane, Amy (lunch program), Michelle Cooke (Tunnel of Terror), Lisa (Christmas Market).
  - We're all sad to say good bye to some of our Grade 8 parents who are leaving us: Charleen, Brenda, Rena, Sunny.
6. Treasurer Report & 2020/21 Budget Presentation - Shannon
- Current Year - Fundraising successes
    - Shannon reviewed the current year budget.
    - A number of budgeted expenses did not materialize due to the conditions of the year. Those have been carried over to next year.
    - In the General account, the majority of the revenue comes from the Munch-a-Lunch / hot lunch program.
    - Hot Lunch Revenue was just under \$23,000, Expenses were just under \$11,000, so just over \$12,000 in Profits
    - Tunnel of Terror: \$1,700
    - Winter Market: \$3,400
    - There was \$1,800 in Gaming wish list expenses that was not spent.
    - There was \$3,021 in General wish list expenses that was not spent.
    - The \$10,000 allocated for the play space was not needed so that money stays in the budget.
    - At the end of the year, we have approx \$30,000 left in the General Account.
  - Budget for next year
    - General Account:
      - We will start year with just over \$30,000.
      - We carried over credits for the lunches that were cancelled this year.
      - There will be the regular Munch-a-Lunch Fees, BCCPAC fees, etc.

- For the hot lunch fundraising, we tried to underestimate the revenue and overestimate the expenses for next year (1) to be conservative and (2) because we don't know what will be possible next year.
  - We kept the Tunnel of Terror at approximately the same.
  - We kept the Winter Market close, reduced it a little bit.
  - Staff Appreciation is kept the same as previous years.
  - Expenses:
    - There are some items carried over from this year to next.
    - We have allocated \$1,000 for each of the teams and each of the specialized programs (eg. explorations)
    - We have allocated \$5,000 for outdoor equipment
    - Plus the usual Emergency Preparedness, Eagle Fund and Contingency Fund
  - If we find that we are not able to do any of the projected fundraising, we do have enough funds (from the \$30,000 carry forward) to cover off all of the expenses in this budget.
  - Gaming Account:
    - We will start the year with approx \$7,700.
    - We estimate the Gaming Grant to be \$12,120.
    - For Grade 8 Leaving, we maintain the regular collection of \$10 per student from parents to add to the allocation of \$10 per student from PAC.
  - Expenses:
    - The Raven signage is ongoing and carried forward to next year.
    - We have allocated \$800 for each of the teams and each of the specialized programs (eg. explorations) - these are for non-curricular expenses only.
    - We have allocated \$2,000 towards athletics, \$1,400 to t-shirts for new students, \$1,170 to student agendas (representing 1/3 of total cost / for Grade 6's only).
    - Plus the usual Presentations, Me to We Famine breakfast, Thunderbird Ambassadors and Random Acts of Caring.
  - Roxane motioned to accept the budget as presented. Charleen seconded the motion. All were in favour. The motion passed.
7. DPAC Report - Annie
- DPAC held their elections. The Executive is largely the same. There is a new Treasurer as well as a couple other new members.
  - It was the DPAC that suggested that we take care of our budget because of the uncertainty of the Gaming Grants for next year.
8. 2020 Celebrations
- Teacher Appreciation - Katie
    - Now that the teachers are back in the school building, we can do something for them.
    - Katie will be picking up and delivery the small gifts.
  - Grade 8 Leaving - Charleen
    - Based on the generosity of the PAC, we were able to get a small gift for the students.
    - It will be presented along with the Grade 8 Leaving.

9. Elections for 2020/21 year - Diane

- Based on our Constitution and Bylaws, all PAC positions run from July 1st to June 30th of the following year. Therefore, all positions are vacated and available.
- The following parents were nominated by email prior to the AGM and accepted the nominations at the AGM:
  - Chair: Diane MacSporran
  - Vice Chair: Katie Golbey
  - Treasurer: Shannon von Richter
  - Secretary: Mary Anne Pruner
  - DPAC: Annie Tomljanovic
  - Member at Large: Marcela de la Pena
  - Member at Large: Roxane Tash Reis
- Any nominations from the floor? There were none.
- Each position was announced and the nominated person identified. By show of hands, voting took place to fill each position according to the nominations.
- Congratulations to our new Executive for the 2020/2021 year.

10. Anmore Green Estates Septic update - Diane

- It's been a busy month.
- Since our May PAC Meeting, Diane has been communicating with SD43 staff, Ministry of Environment staff, Ministry appointed Facilitator, AGE members.
- There is real progress but it is not all public yet.
- AGE had their AGM last week and they accepted the recommendations of the facilitator.
- However, there is still no date for breaking ground.
- As a PAC, we worry about the risk of lost momentum over the summer.
- We would like to proceed with an online petition.
- Diane read out the petition.
- Discussion about whether or not to proceed. The facilitator believes a petition will be a distraction and slow things down. We don't think it can go any slower. Rick Glumac said in our meeting with him that the issues that get the swiftest action are those that come across their desk the most / issues that generate the most "noise".
- The success of this petition depends on every single one of us to spread the word and advertise it. We need signatures added by June 24th. Post it to social media. Get it out to everyone you know!
  
- Lisa motions to proceed with the Petition. Marcela seconded the motion. All were in favour. The motion carried.

11. Other Business

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12. Next meeting TBA September 2020 @ 7pm Zoom

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13. Adjournment.....Have a safe summer!

- Diane motioned to adjourn the meeting at 8:42pm. Mary Anne seconded the motion. All were in favour. The motion carried.