

PAC MEETING MINUTES - Dr. CHARLES BEST SECONDARY

MONDAY, MAY 13, 2019

7:00pm – school library

In Attendance:

Will Davis (*Chair*), Michele Danielov (*Vice Chair*), Nicole Fulmer (*treasurer*), Stacey Copeland Kerr (*PAC Secretary*), Heather Murphy (*Principal*), Manuela Gruber Hersch, Laurie Pedersen

Regrets: Pilar Suarez (*DPAC rep*)

7:15pm Meeting called to order.

Discussion about moving AGM from tonight to next month to try to get more people to attend and to find a treasurer. Agreed – AGM will now be on Monday, June 3rd.

Discussed Teacher Appreciation lunch – June 27th (last day of school) – 150 people – all staff should be in attendance.

Motion by Will Davis to adopt minutes from the March 4, 2019 General PAC Meeting. Motion to approve: 1st – Nicole Fulmer, 2nd – Will Davis . All in favour. Carried.

Motion by Will Davis to adopt May 13, 2019 agenda.

Motion to approve: 1st – Michele Danielov, 2nd – Manuela Gruber Hersch. All in favour. Carried.

Principal's Report (*Heather Murphy*)

School Dance - very low number of tickets sold but still going ahead for this Wednesday.

School Play - LITTLE SHOP OF HORRORS went very well. All done. Small gym restored for use by all students.

Florida Trip - Successful trip. All are back now.

Hockey Team - Charles Best is now in tier 2 semi-finals

Rugby - Has started.

Soccer - lost to Centennial last week – still a chance to make provincials.

Pride Day - Friday, May 17 is Pride Day – bracelets will be available to all students. Banners will be up in the school. Students can dress in colours according to their grade to show support.

Orange Shirt Day - Next year: October 4 – there will be a shorter assembly – shirts will be available for sale on-line – goal to have every student in an orange shirt for assembly – last year 75% of students were in orange.

Enrollment for next year - capped and full.

School Addition - a six-plex addition that is being put at the back of the school will allow for 125 extra students at the school.

International students - space for 76 international students next year. Discussion about \$ received from international students. This money helps supplement groups that otherwise have a lack of funding such as sports teams, music, drama and all clubs. Other schools that have many more international students (up to 400), receive much more money to support those school groups.

Odyssey of the Mind - Our school team won – 6 students on the team are going to the world championship in Detroit.

Europe trips - There were 2 Europe trips over Spring Break. One in English and one for French students - both a great success. The English group made a wonderful presentation for the staff to show what they learned and experienced.

Aftergrad - \$2583.78 from liquor distribution board just came through to help with this event.

Last day of classes next year 2020 – Monday, June 22 – one week later than usual – will be a big change for the school (staff and students).

Desk top computers – we have to get rid of 60 – take up too much room – not supported by district. This prompted a parent question of what kind of computer should students be buying to bring to school? Heather suggested they email Mr. Raabe to find out what he recommends.

Grad - Grad events: June 8th Dinner Dance – June 13th Commencement
- last day for tickets to be purchased is Friday – about ½ sold

Como Lake Avenue Construction - we are still being told that our section of Como Lake Ave will be done in the summer. Police presence has been increased in area due to accident on Mariner and traffic being diverted due to construction.

Charles Best PAC

We will need a new Treasurer next year – great books being passed on by our current Treasurer.

Treasurer's Report

Increases for this year's budget (from additional parent donations):

- Staff Appreciation lunch budget increased to \$1400
- Added flowers for student funeral \$65

Report from gaming side:

- a few items have not been purchased yet (3 items – robotics club, English podcast reference material, kettle popcorn popper for best buddies) – Marcy is checking on whether or not these items will be purchased this year
- if those 3 are not purchased, we will end up with \$4692.30 that could be carried over to next year – if they are purchased, we would have approx \$3792 carried over.

Looking at teacher request budget that will be approved at June AGM:

- local retired politician, Maxine Wilson and her family is giving \$5000 to each school for learning centre - learning centre no longer requesting laptop – gives us \$1000 back.
- approx. \$14000 projected for next year's PAC to allocate
- Entry & hallway rugs invoice has been received but still not yet paid since they have not been received yet - however price is firm: \$4982.00.
- Same for magazine rack for library – \$421.43
- teacher appreciation lunch approved for \$1400 from us and school will pay any balance. Often someone from PAC comes to say a speech to the teachers (at Fox they did that). Discussion as to who would like to do that this year.

New Business

- Jennifer Blatherwick wants to do a food bank food drive in June: "Christmas in June" – so many donate to the food bank at Christmas, but not so much in the summer - Heather putting it out to staff – considering sending idea out to clubs – who will take this on?
- Market date for next year: November 15th (Parisian Market theme)

No DPAC update (*Pilar Suarez – school rep absent*)

Extra business

DRAWS for 2 orange shirt shirts and one Best hoodie (each with a free lunch token and CB Pride bracelet) – thanks to Principal Heather ☺

Motion to adjourn meeting: 1st – Manuela Gruber Hersch, 2nd – Michele Danielov - All in favour. Carried.

8:40pm Meeting adjourned.

NEXT MEETINGS: *****AGM - new date: Monday, June 3rd *****