



Citadel PAC Meeting

October 24, 2022

7pm in the Studio, Room 225

Chair:	Laura Code	Present
Treasurer:	Ayushya Bangur	Apologies
Secretary:	Gabi Green	Apologies
DPAC Rep:	Susan Jenner	Present
Social Media:	Nipa Bhalla	Present
Grade 8 Leaving:	Erika Skita/Dese Fulljames	Present
Principal:	Tricia Tipper	Present
Vice Principal:	Rachel French	Present

Meeting called to order at 7:06 pm by Laura.

- Welcome and introductions. Meeting attendance was taken via sign-up sheet.
- Adopt the Agenda – Dese and seconded by Erika. All in favour. Passed.
- Adopt the September minutes – Erika and seconded by Phyllis. All in favour. Passed.

Presentation by Mr. Gill – Steam innovations

- Working on Design Thinking with students (from Stanford University developed in 1996).
- One example of an upcoming project is the classic “egg drop” class using technology- microchips parts and sensors.
- Tools to be used in class:
 - Cutting station (cutting mats and utility knives)
 - Laser cutter connects to laptop or on paper to create designs
 - Cardboard tool wall “using Make do” creations
 - Ring light and acoustic tiles which has created a podcast area
 - Lego wall
 - Using materials such as fabric, balsa wood (laser printing), cardboard, Keva Planks
- Who benefits? - Gifted kids, students who need a different way to experience their classes, average students (makes weaker lesson more exciting).

REPORTS:

Principal's Report: Tricia Tipper

- Her style for providing information at PAC meetings is fairly relaxed.
- Responsive to questions, please ask any concerns or questions.
- She retired from principal role in 2017; has four children that have gone through the school system; has come back into principal roles over the years as needed.
- Looking to get a few parent volunteers for earthquake preparedness team, family affordability committee (district funding allotment) - look for request in upcoming messages from office.
- Request for wish list for teachers due in by end of November to best use the gaming grant monies for the school year. Clarified with PAC that Gaming grant money (Wish list) is separate from the class funding monies that are being raised via family donations through the KEV account. Aim is \$200 per class division.
- Question to Mrs. Tipper – is school a scent aware school? District is scent aware but not scent free. Request will go out to staff to be mindful of scents they're wearing in the school.

Chair: Laura Code

- No additional information needed to be provided.

Treasurer: Ayushya Bangur

- Gaming account: received the gaming grant \$8,980.00 for this school year.
- Balance in gaming account, after 2 payments of \$2,871.38 (for Archery) and \$75.00 (BCCPAC) is \$15,213.95.
- Operating account – no change, balance is \$807.90.
- KEV acct: deposits in PAC \$2,116 YTD.
- KEV account Balance is \$3,797.00.
- Grade 8 and Staff appreciation: no changes from last meeting. Recently held Popcorn and Snow cone fundraiser and those monies will be added to the account and updated at the next meeting.

DPAC: Susan Jenner

- PAC orientation held on Oct 5th was well attended with 70 schools represented. Meeting was focused to explain the role of DPAC, PAC learning importance of constitution and bylaws, running an efficient meeting and transparency of PAC finances.
- Discussion of importance for PAC's to be involved with school admin in spending the funding from BC Government – Family Sustainability Fund.
- Next DPAC meeting is Wednesday, October 26th at 7pm at Winslow centre. Presentation on Indigenous Education & Territorial Acknowledgement by D.Kraichy and S. Maki.
- DPAC Parent Education Presentation online via Zoom
 - Digital Awareness “What Makes our Kids Click?” Keeping Kids Safe and Healthy Online
 - Date: Tuesday November 8th
 - Time: 7-8 pm
 - Link to event [click here](#)

Fundraising Report: Lyndsay – unable to attend

- Discussion on how to raise monies for three levels of groups within the school (Citadel Cares, Grade 8's, and school as a whole).
- Hopes to do another popcorn/snow cone sale; query to consider feasibility of school dance, working to get more parent involvement or community focused fundraisers (Terry Fox, Amanda Todd Legacy, Food Hampers/Share Community).

Grade 8 Leaving: Erika and Dese

- Fundraised over \$600 with popcorn and snow cone sale over two days of Meet the Teacher Conferences. Many thanks to volunteer's parents and students who helped. Intend to send out a Survey Monkey questionnaire to Grade 8 students and parents asking for ideas and expectations for activities/ceremony for Grade 8's.

New Business:

- General request for more communication to parents about activities, programs, fundraising, community happenings – concern from parents that not enough easy to access information is being shared to families to know what is going on at the school.
- Desire for more clubs and activities for students and communication of when events are coming up.

Upcoming Dates:

- Next meeting is Monday November 28th at 7pm in the school library.

Motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:40pm by Dese, seconded by Tiffany – passed.

Email to reach PAC – citadelmiddlePAC@gmail.com

Any questions please email the PAC and we'll be happy to help!

Attendees:

Laura Code, Stefanie Lok, Tiffany Stewart, Dese Fulljames, Nipa Bhalla, Erika Skita, Susan Jenner, Sonja Gruber, Phyllis Chong, Rachel French, Tricia Tipper