**Approval of Agenda**

**Participants**

Caren Eigenmann- PAC President

Vivian Leung

Luciana Susan – DPAC Representative

Terri Schollen

Tania Gall

Deanna Prentice

Juliana Fernandez

Linda Ho

Laura Burden

Laurie Leeder

Tanja McAffer

Julia Weir

**Approval of minutes from September 25th, 2019**

* Minutes approved

**- DPAC Report**

(see attached for Minutes from DPAC Meeting)

* Presentation on Vaping and ways to prevent it – if Como Lake is interested in having a speaker on this topic or more information, there is a new education plan by SD43 and Fraser Health for grades 5-12.
* Presentation on Restorative Practices in Education
* Coquitlam Teachers’ Association – there is an ongoing issue with the new funding model introduced by the government in regards to some students being re-categorized according to a prevalence model. The speaker – Ken Christensen asked if anyone wants to get involved to contact their MLA basically and ask about how the new categorization of Category Q – Learning Disabilities, is likely to affect funding for some children.
* PAC Successes – if we have anything we want to talk about then we can put our school on the agenda for future meetings
* Next DPAC meeting is next week, November 27, 2019.

**- Treasurer's Report**

 $6200 – Gaming Grant – Gaming Account

+ $900 carried forward

$1854 – Parents Donations – done online

$8946 total amount

**- Administrators Report**

* Vaping, Soji, Sexual health – things on the radar for presenters to come and speak
* Received more staff recently – trying to take the pressure off the ELL teachers – many students are illiterate, coming in without able to read in their native tongue, let alone in English
* Great start to Genius Hour – children and staff have enjoyed it so far
  + Group going to do a Parkour gymnastics outside of school
  + Poirier group to do skating
  + Group doing movie makeup
* 328 children (smallest middle school in the district) – tons of after-school programs
* PBL – Project Based Learning
* 12 Days of Christmas – collect hampers for families
* Staff focus – increase numeracy skills, strategy, logical thinking skills
* Do our children see themselves as being important? Goal: after the break, do a reading assessment, and focus on self-awareness of mental and physical health
* 3-Way conferences with teachers – early dismissal on the conference days;
* Report cards go home before Christmas

**- New Business**

**-    Budget Meeting**

\*\*\*Get Teacher’s wish list and distribute PAC donations as well as gaming grant funds

* **Sexual Health education (Saleema Noon) – presenters come to school, talk about unwanted pregnancies, STDs, safe sex, etc. This would be for 2 days with the children and 1 parent evening (Thursday, February 12 and Friday, February 13 – Parent Night on February 11th ($1522 for the 3 days)**
* **Need more headphones with microphones – speaking to generate print – need about a dozen of those ($500)**
* **$100/class for basic expenses x 13 divisions**
* **$5000 for buses – winter activity day and Playland**
* **$350 teacher appreciation lunch – June Pro-D Day – catered lunch**
* **$100 for leaving ceremony**

**$7950 Total**

**Motion to approve: raised by Luciana Susan, seconded by Vivian Leung. Motion Passed.**

Other ideas:

* Vaping expert (maybe)
* Mental health expert – for children, for parents or for both (maybe)
* Indigenous paddle project - $7/child
* 3D Printer - $2500 approximately

**New Ideas:**

* APP – Flipgive – parents sign up and shop online – another way to raise some money
* 2020-2021 – Possibility of organizing a yearly event like a dance night
* Big Brother – you can donate stuff to Big Brother and they will give something back to the school
* Put out a reminder to the parents if they didn’t donate to the PAC please donate, or if you’d like to donate a bit more, the next goal is getting a 3D Printer

**Adjournment**

**Next Meeting Wednesday January 15, 2020**