

École Irvine Elementary

PAC Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, November 21, 2017

Attendance: Geneve McNally, Zara Scott, Colleen Morel, Brenda Hynes, Kathy Simmonds, Natalie Mulcahy, Janel Casey, Tara Tait, Siarun Aslaug Asmainasdottir, Gabrielle Czach, Chris Siddansy, Laurie Birnie (Principal)

PAC Executive: Colleen Morel (Co-chair), Geneve McNally (Co-chair), Siobhan Gatchalian (Treasurer), Zara Scott (Secretary)

6:45pm Welcome and Sign-in

6:55pm Budget Report

1. RBC \$8831.17
2. CIBC \$ 20,719.68
3. Family Donations (In trust-Irvine) \$2330.00
4. Funds committed: \$8000.00 for teachers and fieldtrip bus fund

7:00pm Special power point presentation (Mme. Kaycee Howard)

Communicating Student Learning Report

- slowly moving away from letter grades, more about descriptions
- look for new headings broken down into learning threads
- parent surveys really helped guide new layout and the committee will continue to gather parent feedback to help inform practice
- parent information sheet provided in the report card envelope

7:20pm Principal's Report

1. Kathy Flood is heading the Vulnerable Children's Committee at Irvine
-Irvine breakfast club now up and running! Teachers can nominate families and inform them of the program
- Starfish program continues-children in need are sent home with backpacks full of food for the weekend-
Big thanks to the Rotary club for their continued sponsorship!
2. Irvine staff members have been invited to sit on the district funded Design Committee for New Schools!
We will be the first to have a new school when funding is released. While we wait for this funding we will go ahead with the design and recoup these funds once approved. Staff will be looking at what Irvine needs specifically given our community and what is important to us. **Any ideas regarding Irvine's design needs please forward to the PAC!**

7:35pm Business to be Discussed

- **Breakfast with Santa** (Brenda Hynes)
 - 1st meeting held and plans are ticking along, letter for donations will be available soon
 - vendors secured for the library (Scholastic!)
 - Mme. Birnie willing to donate parking spot for raffle again this year-open to everyone!
 - will have big thankyou on the school website for any businesses willing to sponsor
 - motion forwarded to give Santa breakfast \$250.00-seconded-passed
 - * All money raised goes back to teachers to help vulnerable families at Irvine over the holiday season!*
- **Seismic Upgrade Update** (Tara Tait)
 - organizing with PACS from other high risk schools
 - still need government to release funds to get our new school built
 - please sign the petition to “Accelerate Seismic Upgrades for High Risk BC Schools”(That’s US!). It has been sent out via Liaison email
- **Earthquake Bin**
 - almost complete, will start organizing contents in the New Year
- **Grade 5 Get Active Card**
 - open to all grade 5 students
 - receive a full year of swimming and skating for free!!
 - there is a pre-printed letter available at the office, just take it to Hyde Creek Rec Center with proof of address to get the card!
- **Grade 5 Grad PAC donation-** tabled until budget received
- **School Kitchen Supplies Upgrade**
 - motion brought forward to give up to \$300.00 to upgrade supplies-seconded-passed
- **Entrance Furniture**
 - will continue to look into options
- **Christmas Concerts**
 - last week of school, watch for email from the school to select your tickets

8:15pm Meeting Adjourned

NEXT PAC MEETING: TUESDAY, January16th @ 6:45PM

****BABYSITTING AVAILABLE****

If you would like to add a topic for discussion to the next

meeting’s agenda please email 027-PAC@sd43.bc.ca.

Thank You / Merci!