



Minnehada PAC Meeting @ Library

February 20, 2024

Next Meeting April 16th, 2024

Welcome, Call to Order & Territory Acknowledgement

Virtual Meeting call to order @ 7:04am by PAC President Gemma Wilson w/ land acknowledgement
12 parents in attendance with Jill Reid and Vice-Principal Kirsten Paterson

PAC Executive:

President	Gemma Wilson
Vice-President	Graham Love (with regrets)
Secretary	Jimmy Fung
Treasurer	Emil Sundberg (with regrets)
DPAC Rep	Ron Foster
Fundraising & Hot Lunch	Heather So / Joanna Moss
Social Media Coordinator	Anita Wilson
Member-at-Large	Michelle Lam
	Stacey Gokool
Principal	Jill Reid

Approval of Agenda

- General agenda for this meeting – motion to approve

Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes

- Meeting minutes from November approved prior in email and posted on PAC website

President's Report – Gemma

Graham Love will monitor PAC gmail and respond

Zoom meeting for better attendance

- Parent Engagement – seen an increase in the Facebook Group; QR code and link in Jill's newlink email has been great
- Multicultural parent ambassador – open to ideas
- Carpooling – up to the parents to connect with each other using the Facebook page
- Have PAC attend the grade 5 orientation (mid June) – introduce the incoming parents on the available resources

Principal's Report – Jill Reid

- Lots on today's email announcement
- Last week was Real Acts of Kindness Week – schools across the districts adopted – Ms Nishimira looks after Kindness acts
- Learning Conferences tomorrow (Wednesday Feb 21) – hope for lots of in-person conversations that will make the report card evaluations make sense
Kirsten – first 21 days
Very busy at Minnehada – phenomenal to see a lot of the staff members support extracurricular
Most impressed by students coming up to her to welcome her and ask how she is doing; very outgoing and personable
Love lots of play space for students; basketball, football, tag, etc

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Question about the social media chats (email) - Gemma

Concern of students involved in inappropriate chats in chat groups; online bullying; inappropriate video streams; apps to look out for – Snapchats, whizz (new)

Chat rooms are not sanctioned by teachers and administrators

First Aid certification for all - \$25 per child

- Field Trip Budget Request: One team has 125 kids wants a trip to Grouse - \$25 per child (not including bus \$17) – using \$500 PAC budget and \$5/child from the school community budget – gondola round trip + 3 guided knowledge sessions – requesting additional budget
- Anita – shared policy knowledge about fundraised budget if in excess should be spent on kids activities and schools

Committee Reports

Treasurer's Report: not presented

Social Media / Communication: Anita

- Deadline for Pizza Hut is tonight
- Will post newsletter tonight
- Shared screen on newsletter

DPAC report: Ron

- Jan 31st DPAC meeting
- Information on special programs
- Indigenous Advisory Committee – equity project – seeks to improve indigenous student success across BC
- Information on Proficiency Scale – not equated to letter grade
- Information on rebuilding of Hazel Trembath Elementary
- Next Meeting February 28th (virtual) – access to parent portal for report cards

Fundraising & Hot lunch: Heather & Joanna:

- Valentine's treat day – big hit; lots of positive feedback – Jamie Manchester made 400+ cup cakes
- Feb 28th next hot lunch – Pizza Hut
- One more treat day the week before Spring Break
- Munch-a-lunch for Minnekhada is ready to launch – hoping to be available for after Spring Break
- Global coffee / Restaurant fundraisers done in February
- Donut Love gift card – started and going till March 6th

New Business

Meeting Adjournment

Motion to adjourn meeting at 8:00pm by Gemma – second by Michelle

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