ÉCOLE NESTOR ELEMENTARY PARENT ADVISORY COUNCIL ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING MINUTES OCTOBER 6, 2020

PAC Executive Present:

Amanda Dishaw Jennifer Sam Remy Nazemi Angela Mudie *(minutes)* Megan Keller Sherie Bohorquez

Courtney de Boer Rebecca Hansen Tracy Roy

Nestor Administration/Staff Present:

Tamara Banks

Nestor Parents Present:

Joanna Daniels Meena Addahs Laura Taylor

- 1. Call to Order by Tracy at 6:35 pm.
- 2. Adoption of Agenda: Motioned by Amanda; seconded by Rebecca. Motion passed. None opposed.
- **3.** Adoption of Minutes: Minutes from the May Annual General meeting were adopted. Motioned by Amanda; seconded by Sherie. Motion passed. None opposed.
- 4. Business Arising from Minutes and Correspondence:
 - None

5. Principal's Report (Tamara):

- ▶ We got through September and it went very well. The kids are champions and have adjusted to the new routines well. They are being respectful of space, etc. We are very proud of staff and the kids. There are two break times this school year − English and French. The students are eating in class before going outside and are washing hands regularly. Measures in place to ensure safety. Music is running with Mrs. Kiddie itinerantly and she is going from classroom to classroom. Mrs. Coyle will be doing a book exchange/ library experience based on district guidelines. Classes are utilizing gym and equipment with everything being sanitized after use. The outside has been split into 4 zones (kindergarten playground, blacktop, top field and Nestor playground) and classes are on a rotating schedule when outside to follow District guidelines.
- ▶ 20 laptops were purchased last year by school so the allotment can be COVID safe. The District has a protocol for utilization and sanitization.
- ▶ Early dismissal days for the school year have been confirmed October 28th 1:30 dismissal. No in person interviews, they will all be virtual or outside if weather permitting. The rest of the dates will be announced this week.
- ▶ Zoom meetings are ongoing for those families on gradual return 53 students are still on gradual return.

Questions for Tamara: Question 1: What happens when there is an exposure in a class? Tamara shared screen to show the district website and the What Happens? Letter sent by SD43 Superintendent – <u>View Letter Here</u> – Students will be away from school as long as FHA says they need to. Question 2: What are the protocols for Teachers on Call (TOC)? TOCs are required to wear masks all day, sign-in at the office for contact tracing, attend a safety orientation then are escorted to the classroom.

6. DPAC Report (Vacant):

No report.

7. Treasurer's Report (Amanda):

Current balances:

o Gaming: \$2558.00

o General: \$27475.00 (\$20000 in GIC)

▶ A discussion was held regarding how we could support students this school year. This was mainly around increasing classroom defrayment or funding the storage boxes for the school purchased guitars. Tamara said that there is a work order in for the construction of the storage boxes but has not received a quote back yet. It was decided that we would increase the classroom defrayment from \$250 to \$300 to help support the teachers and support staff during these unprecedented times and that we would fund the school with \$5000 for Tamara to allot where needed on behalf of the PAC (Tamara mentioned that the teachers have requested RAZ Kids licenses for their classes, funds may be used to support this).

VOTE: Classroom defrayment increase: \$1100 all voted yes, none opposed.

VOTE: Funds for Tamara to allot where needed: \$5000 all voted yes, none opposed.

▶ Signatories needed – deferred to the next executive meeting in November.

8. Committee Reports:

- a) Communications (Megan): Welcome letter will be sent out this year and will be included with the Neufelds notice.
- b) Neufelds (Amanda & Jen): The campaign will be run on Munch-a-Lunch this year to avoid the paper forms and stay COVID safe. Ordering opens on Thursday and will run until October 15th. Pick up is scheduled for October 26th. The dates will be included with the schools Week At A Glance throughout the campaign.
- c) Spirit Wear (Tracy): Unanimous vote for grey t-shirts. Rebecca Campesato is working on collecting the teacher's sizes.
- **d) Poinsettias (Amanda & Megan):** We will run this again this year; Amanda is waiting for confirmation from the vendor.

9. Other Business:

- ▶ Halloween Colouring Contest The colouring page will be completed in class or at home depending on the teacher. Winner from each class will get a pumpkin and carving kit. Teachers to give the prize to a parent. Megan and Courtney will coordinate prizes and pick up and will connect with Rebecca Campesato. The colouring pages will be available for classes on October 13th then the students will have 2 weeks to complete. The draw will be on October 25th.
- ▶ **Spirit Days** It was suggested that these always occur on a set day of the month so parents know when they are coming. Activities and dates to be decided at the next executive meeting.

10. Meeting Adjourned at 7:33pm. Motioned by Amanda; seconded by Megan. Motion passed. None opposed.

Next Executive Meeting: Tuesday, November 3 at 7 pm via Zoom Next General Meeting: Tuesday, December 1 at 7 pm via Zoom