

ÉCOLE NESTOR ELEMENTARY PARENT ADVISORY COUNCIL
EXECUTIVE MEETING MINUTES
NOVEMBER 4, 2020

PAC Executive Present:

Amanda Dishaw
Angela Mudie (*minutes*)
Courtney de Boer

Jennifer Sam
Megan Keller
Rebecca Hansen

Remi Nazemi
Sherie Bohorquez
Tracy Roy

Nestor Administration/Staff Present:

Tamara Banks

1. **Call to Order:** by Tracy at 6:38 pm.
2. **Adoption of Agenda:** With additions motioned by Amanda; seconded by Rebecca. Motion passed. None opposed.
3. **Adoption of Minutes:** Minutes from the September 2020 executive meeting were adopted with edits. Motioned by Amanda; seconded by Megan. Motion passed. None opposed.
4. **Principal's Report (Tamara):**
 - ▶ Halloween went really well. The kids enjoyed the classroom activities and the colouring contest. Teachers have asked for colouring sheets for other holidays. PAC to come up with designs – Tamara to come back with feedback regarding prizes for the contest.
 - ▶ Reading assessment has been completed for the year. K – 5 done with DART. The goal is to have kids enjoy reading and be able to read for 20 – 30 minutes depending on their level. Classrooms will adjust based on learning needs. This is moving in a positive and great way.
 - ▶ The social emotional goal with RULER this year is emotional regulation. Parent evenings will be offered through Zoom for new and returning parents. Another parent evening run by Ms. Elson, Ms. Venaco, and Tamara will also be offered to support literacy at home (French and English).
 - ▶ The administration has chatted a bit around Christmas. The three Fridays in December (4, 11, 18) will be school run spirit days. 4th – Grinch day, 11th – Red & Green day, 18th – PJ day and the students will decorate cookies in class. PAC to supply cookies. Each Friday having a sing along, draw along, or hum along depending on what teachers are comfortable with. Each class will be decorating class doors inside school. The school is also organizing a Food Drive (no contest just food collection & cash) and this will be teacher facilitated. If cash only, it was suggested to run another toonie Tuesdays or Coins for caring? PAC suggested that the exterior class windows should be decorated too as parents and guardians are not allowed in the school to view the class doors.
 - ▶ PAC to organize icing and candies for cookie decorating. Tracy said Save On doesn't have the gingerbread as in years past but can do shortbread in gingerbread shape. Jen and Megan will look into Bulk barn cookies. Cookie decorating will be on December 18th. School to cover cost.

- ▶ Masks for students are not available yet but students will get them. Tamara ordered extra as well for students that have forgotten their masks. The school is clean, sanitized and safe. Classes missing sinks are having a sink installed.

5. **Business Arising from Minutes and New Correspondence:**

- ▶ **Spirit Wear Update:** Tracy went to the vendor and they were closed for the day. She has emailed the vendor for an ETA and the shirts will be ready for pick up November 19th. Sizing will be up to the teachers, boxes will be left in the school to be organized.
- ▶ **Spirit Days:** see agenda item 9
- ▶ **Class Defrayment Explanation:** In 2018/19 it was decided that EAL and Learning Assistance would be amalgamated and will receive the same amount as teachers. 22 class defrayments – 20 teachers, music, and learning assistance.

6. **DPAC Report (Angela):**

- ▶ No Report.

7. **Treasurer's Report (Amanda):**

- ▶ Current balances:
 - Gaming: \$ 10972.83
 - General: \$ 0 (\$20000 in GIC)
- ▶ Vancity made an error with deposits into the gaming account instead of the general account.
- ▶ One transaction that declined for Jen that needs to be reissued because it expired. Will be reissued when there is money in the General account.

8. **Committee Reports:**

- ▶ **Communications (Megan):** Social media, newsletter and website. The website hasn't been updated in years. Tamara has suggested making PAC more present on the school website. All of the PAC minutes are available to the parent community on the school website. The website is to be updated to one page with directions to social media. Amanda offered to manage the updates. Amanda made a suggestion to get traffic to the Facebook page we should do a give-away with the extra poinsettias for a follow. The newsletter will be distributed bi-monthly this school year; items should be sent to Tamara for approval. Tamara doesn't need to approve social media posts but suggested that our Facebook page should include a Facebook etiquette disclaimer for expectations and purpose of the page.
- ▶ **Purdy's Sales (Remy):** Orders are due on Nov. 22nd with pick up on Dec 2nd, no times specified yet. \$500 in orders so far. Remy to put posters around school.
- ▶ **Poinsettia Sales (Amanda & Megan):** Orders are due on Nov. 16th with pick up on Nov. 30th. Delivery time will be confirmed the day before. Minimum of \$300 in orders to process; the goal is \$1000 for free delivery. Plants can be stored in front foyer.
- ▶ **Ongoing Fundraisers (Jen):** True Earth account is getting set up. Mable's Labels, Cobbs, and Return It are still active. SPUD still active but not being ordered.
- ▶ **Fundraising Ideas:** Created by Kids/ Art Cards tabled for next Christmas. Rocky Point Ice Cream gift cards campaign – Angela will reach out for more information for next year.
- ▶ **Bottle Drive/ Clothing Drive (Jen):** It was decided that we would run a DIY Bottle Drive with Nestor's Return It account in the New Year and a Clothing drive in the spring. Jen will get dates and more information. The Nestor community will be notified of the Bottle Drive before

Christmas as a reminder to save bottles and cans. The Bottle Drive will be drive thru with bag drop off. Then we can load a trailer with stickered bags for quick return.

9. Other Business:

- ▶ **2020-21 Activity Calendar:** Tabled to the December meeting.
- ▶ **Constitution:** Executives to review and provide feedback. We will vote the new constitution in at next Annual General Meeting.

10. New Business:

- ▶ No new business.

11. Meeting Adjourned at 8:36 pm. Motioned by Amanda; seconded by Sherie. Motion passed. None opposed.

Next General Meeting: Tuesday, December 8 at 7 pm via ZOOM Next Executive Meeting: Tuesday, January 12 at 7 pm via ZOOM
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