

ÉCOLE NESTOR ELEMENTARY PARENT ADVISORY COUNCIL
EXECUTIVE MEETING MINUTES
SEPTEMBER 14, 2021

PAC Executive Present:

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

Jennifer Sam
Megan Keller
Rebecca Hansen

Seamus Hurley (*minutes*)
Sherie Bohorquez

Nestor Administration/Staff Present:

Tamara Banks
Sheryl Torres
Fawzia Maloo
Cara Babson

1. **Call to Order:** by Angela at 7:03 pm.
2. **Adoption of Agenda:** motioned by Megan; seconded by Amanda. Motion passed. None opposed.
3. **Adoption of Minutes:** Minutes from the June 2021 executive meeting were adopted. Motioned by Jen; seconded by Amanda. Motion passed. None opposed.
4. **Introductions:** Seamus Hurley was introduced as our new Secretary. His position will be voted in during the October general meeting.
5. **Principal's Report (Tamara):**
 - ▶ We welcomed 36 new registrations since June; the school typically has less than 5 new registrations over the summer. We are very fortunate to welcome these registrations to fill up our enrollment.
 - ▶ This has resulted in 1 new division, bringing the total up to 20. Most are blended with 2 straight Grade 3s in English and a couple of straight Kindergarten classes. There is a TTOC in the new Division 9, the posting went up today new hire should be complete by next week.
 - ▶ September events include acknowledgement for Truth & Reconciliation day. There will be a Zoom assembly on October 29th and students will be encouraged to wear an orange shirt. The Terry Fox Run will be on October 1st and the route will be within in the neighbourhood again. Communication to parents will include map. Volunteers will be required; PAC will help with a call out for volunteers; criminal record checks will not be necessary. The run this year will include all grades.
 - ▶ Choir will start again in person for Grades 4/5. Mrs. Kiddie may start up recorder club again.
 - ▶ Grade 5s Volleyball – practices are on Friday mornings before school.
 - ▶ Grade 4/ 5 student council will run again this year.

- ▶ Action plan for learning this school year will have an emphasis on the social emotional with an additional focus on literacy.
- ▶ Staff Update: Our new head teacher is Debbie Ritchie. There are 6 Department Heads; 3 English and 3 French – Torres, Robertson and Perresin & Maloo, Strain and Pearse
- ▶ The Scholastic Book Fair has been planned for November including French books; another is booked for February.
- ▶ Our new Librarian Cara Babson is excited to enhance literacy.
- ▶ Traffic Safety: City of Coquitlam will be installing a permanent No Left Turn at the exit out of the drive thru.

6. Business Arising from Minutes and New Correspondence:

- ▶ **Parent Information Night:** Scheduled for Sept 22nd. PAC will communicate on to the parent community on Facebook.
- ▶ **Grade 5 Graduation Debrief:** The events came in over budget but fundraising covered overage. It was decided that we will go back to previous years planning were PAC funded the busses for Cultus Lake and Grade 5 swimming lessons.
- ▶ **Sandwich Boards:** Angela to follow up with Tracy for the invoice for the 2 sandwich boards that were purchased. These are stored at the school.
- ▶ **Guitars & Guitar Storage:** Funds were approved in October 2020 for an additional \$5000 to the school due to COVID and this included the cost of guitar storage. These have not yet been procured.
- ▶ **Nestor Weebly Website:** Tracy gave Amanda the password but didn't work; she will follow up with Tracy.
- ▶ **PAC Page on Nestor SD 43 site:** Angela will send Mrs. Campesato the 2020/21 meeting minutes to upload to the schools PAC page. The page will also include the 2021/22 General meeting dates.

7. Treasurer's Report (Amanda):

- ▶ **Current balances:**
 - Gaming: \$4102.60
 - General: \$19681.93
- ▶ **Classroom Defrayment:** Voted to keep the defrayment at \$300 again this year due to COVID. All agreed, none opposed.
- ▶ **Night Deposit Key:** Tracy said it should be in the safe. PAC to check when on site.
- ▶ **Student Council:** Vote to fund the student council \$500. All agreed, none opposed.

8. Committee Reports:

- ▶ **Communications (Megan):** We will continue what we did successfully last year with Facebook. Megan will post traffic summary as a reminder to the parent community.
- ▶ **PAC Power Lunch (Jen):** Reached out to several vendors – Subway, Sushi Fu, Boston Pizza, Pizza Pizza (replacing Freshslice), and McDonalds. Seamus may be able to get a donation from Fresh Street Market/ IGA for sides, he'll reach out to his contact. Munch-a-Lunch is getting set up. PPL will run on Wednesdays again with Oct 13th being the first (order deadline Oct 1st). Notices will go out shortly.
- ▶ **Pumpkin Patch (Jen):** Pumpkins have been ordered with delivery booked on Oct 28th from 8:30am – 9am. Jen will see if a 9am delivery is available so there is no overlap with drop off to

ensure safety. Classes are to come out after recess so there's 1.5 hours for set up in forest. No volunteers will be required as PAC will attend. A suggestion was made to serve hot chocolate to the students, Tamara asked to hold off for now to make sure there are no allergies.

- ▶ **Halloween Colouring Contest (Jen & Megan):** This was very successful last year so we will bring it back this year and will run it the same way with similar prizes and a winner per class. Jen and Megan will run this campaign. More details to follow.
- ▶ **Cobbs (Angela):** A cheque is waiting for pick up from last school year for \$138. The manager said he has a number of other fundraising ideas that we could do this year and will email the details of each.

9. DPAC Report (Sherie):

- ▶ No Report. No meetings are scheduled yet.

10. CPR Update (Becca):

- ▶ No Report. First meeting scheduled for October 2nd

11. New Business:

- ▶ No new business.

12. Other Business:

- ▶ **2021/22 Activity Calendar:** Discussed September to December, see attached.
- ▶ **Welcome to Kindergarten Parent's Coffee:** Scheduled for Thursday at 12:45pm. Cobbs is donating baked goods. The budget is \$100 to purchase coffee. The table will be set up at front of school if it's not raining and in the undercover area if it is. PAC will serve drinks gloved to be COVID safe. Megan to post on FB and Tamara will communicate the event to the Kindergarten parents via email.
- ▶ **Halloween Candy Buy Back:** Jen will find out if this is running this year.
- ▶ **Spirit Days:** Student Council will run Spirit Days this year.

13. Meeting Adjourned at 8:32pm. Motioned by Amanda; seconded by Becca. Motion passed. None opposed.

Attachments:



EcoleNestorPACActivityCalendar.xlsx

Next General Meeting: Tuesday, October 12 at 7 pm via ZOOM
Next Executive Meeting: Tuesday, November 2 at 7 pm via ZOOM