



Cape Horn Elementary School

PARENT ADVISORY COUNCIL MEETING

October 12 2022 @ 7:00 pm - In Person

Attendance:

Donise McCall	Devon Steevs
Elysia Dvorak	Andrea Williams
Paul Gullett	Dhivya Visvanathan
Marvin Fernandes	Nancy Truong
Baljeet Randhawa	Jeff Randhawa
Monica Galvan	Kim Cuellar
Gurpreet Gill-Brar	Jessica Lenny

Meeting Called to Order at 7:00 pm

Approval of Agenda for October 12, 2022 meeting

Moved by J. Randhawa that the agenda be approved. **CARRIED**

Approval of Minutes from September 14, 2022 meeting

Moved by E. Dvorak that the minutes be approved. **CARRIED**

Principal's Report- K. Cuellar

- Our school has received an Affordability Fund that is available for this year only, to be used for school fees, food cards, materials such as recorders. This money needs to be spent, it is available for this year only.
- Interim Reports are being sent out this week, paper copies are being sent

this time only. There is a brochure that will be sent out as well to explain the report card process; however our school is already using this format. Students will have a say in their report card write up, reports are something collaborative, not something that happens to them.

- Remembrance day ceremony is planned, it will be held at 11:00 am.
- School wide reading assessments are in progress to see the strength and weaknesses as a class and a school. The reviews have been done, the assessment process is starting.
- Class reviews will be used to determine strengths on social and emotional levels, and what areas require growth.
- By the end of September, all classes have created a class charter to give all students a voice.
- Breakfast club is very popular, attendance ebbs and flows. Wednesdays have more food selection, the cooking is done by the EAs, includes sausages, waffles etc. Firefighters will come for a visit and may do a video. K. Cuellar will ensure we have permission to include children in the video.
- Backpack buddy program and food cards are ongoing.

Fundraising - D. Steeves

- Community Values books will be ready on Friday, and will be brought into class on Thursday. Each child will get one book, but can request more.
- Neufelds order will be done in November
- Halloween dance is being planned.
- J. Randhawa advises that there is a Grant for a school project that relates to Art. **Deadline of October 25, 2022 to apply.** The project could be small or large; for example, for a small project we could bring in an art therapist. For a larger project we could hire an Elder to teach carving.
 - We need to have a plan in order to apply
 - J. Randhawa will investigate and get back to the PAC
 - Could ask the artist who did the mural at the school to do class lessons?
 - Grant can be used for Art in motion or dance
 - J. Randhawa will put the application in
- Hot Lunch - first one is scheduled for October 20th. There was a glitch with the ordering, but it has been fixed now.
 - Halloween treat date is Oct 31st.

- Kindness button is active now, and people are donating.
- Plan is to have treat and hot lunch monthly
- Jenn and Donise are in charge of the Grade 5 fundraising committee. Bake sales will be done at the Halloween dance. Might plan a 50/50 draw. In the future they will do a Krispy Kreme fundraiser and a bottle drive.
 - Ms. Sullivan is going to provide an email list of parents wanting to be involved. The kids are excited about the camp; which is expensive.
- Investigate the cost of Costco providing hotdogs for hot lunch dates. Other ideas are Greek and Teriyaki.
- If anyone is interested in doing FoodSafe training, it is simple and can be done at home.
- Paper menus to be printed from MunchaLunch will be provided to the office to allow those families to order food for hot lunches/treats for kindness orders or who don't have access to a computer.

DPAC - J. Randhawa

- October 26, 2022 is the next DPAC meeting at 7pm in the Gallery Room at the Winslow Centre. Meetings are open to all.
- Resilient Community and Resilient Children is the theme this year.

Open Discussion - D. McCall

- Grade 5 - First Meeting with teachers
 - Yearbook - we need someone to handle this
 - Fundraising plans in place
 - Hoodies order is planned
 - Hold a craft sale so kids can sell their creations?
 - Christmas market - could include kids selling their crafts, unless we are planning to only hold the pancake breakfast?
- Christmas market -
 - need a Santa - Ashley G?
 - Include photos?
 - Could ask Starbucks to donate coffee.
 - Suggest charging \$5 for a plate of pancakes, sausages, beverage
 - Need to arrange cleaning for after the party; K. Cuellar will look into this.
 - Timing 9-11? Could have two seatings
 - K. Cuellar has confirmed December 3, 2022 works.
 - If holding a market, could offer tables for \$30 (PAC fundraiser) for

people to sell items.

- Halloween Howl
 - DJ Jeremy Baker is coming
 - Photo booth - Mint Dental has agreed to pay for this
 - Request that we decorate the gym Thursday after school and take down on Nov 1? K. Cuellar agreed. Will ask for volunteers to come in 3-5 to set up.
 - Will also request volunteers to take decorations down on Tuesday.
 - D. McCall asks if classes can provide Halloween Art.
 - Will request various teachers to act as fortune tellers
 - D. McCall has asked for donations from local businesses and we are waiting to hear back.
 - Can order small prizes on amazon
 - Games planned for one classroom; photos another, and cakes in another
 - Smoke machine to be done in the gym only
- Krispy Kreme fundraiser - hold this before christmas in early December?
 - Presale is better, and can order extra for on site sales.
 - Suggestion to have this Dec 6 and/or 8th to coincide with parent teacher interviews
- Communications Coordinator - Monica Galvan volunteers for this role. She has handled this type of role in the past for businesses.
 - **Nominated by J. Randhawa, Seconded by A. Williams. All in attendance in favour. Carried.**
 - Currently D. McCall is handling email inboxes for fundraising and hot lunch. Need to get all email boxes sorted out in order to provide communications.
 - D. McCall will make Monica an admin on FB
 - Instagram can be linked via email to FB
- Inquiry regarding our school having volleyball or basketball teams? K. Cuellar advises that there is no teacher available to do a volleyball team, but basketball is planned for Grade 5s in January/February.
 - Basketball can be either skills building or play games against other school teams.
- November is going to be a schoolwide World Cup soccer tournament.
- Discussion about having Excel Martial arts do a lunch camp session in the new year; charge \$20/kid

- January we are having gymnastics, so either Feb/March for Excel
- Inquiry about Kids yoga? J. Lenny will ask if Sarah MacKay will do this again. It was done last year because the 3-5s were in pickleball at lunch.
- Kids Can theatre? Not sure at this time.

Counseling Update - J. Lenny

- Times are being planned to bring parents together to talk about things affecting students and children.
- All parents in attendance are interested!
 - Dates: Mondays Oct 24, Nov 14, Dec 12, evenings around 7pm. Confirmation from K. Cuellar that these dates are approved.
 - Topics planned
 - Kids big feelings and how to bring calm to chaos
 - Anxiety - what is it and how to help
 - How to help kids through anger
 - Will ask for suggestions for topics to cover at future meetings
 - Childcare requests to be emailed, including # of children attending. Appropriate childcare will be arranged.
- J. Lenny will write it up and have it communicated
- B. Randhawa offered to supervise the students from middle/highschool who are providing childcare.

Meeting Adjourned by D. McCall at 8:02pm

Next Meeting: November 9, 2022