Cedar Drive PAC 2022/2023 PAC General Meeting

Opening

The third General meeting of the Cedar Drive PAC 2022/2023 was called to order at 6:45pm on November 16, 2022 on Teams by Erica Salemink, Chairperson.

General Present

Aly Neufeld, Karol Florez, Julio Arias, Karen Last, Brandi DeGobbi

Exec Present

Rick Dhaliwal, Erica Salemink, Laura Klement, Kate Head, Jane Adams, Queenie Wong, Alex Josephson, Tara Ataya, Katie Zoladek, Marcy Harvey

Regrets

Stacey Gokool, Gurvinder Chima

Approval of Agenda

Approval of Agenda by Erica Salemink. Motion was passed unanimously.

1. Principal's Report

- **Remembrance Day assembly**: Great to have so many families. Big thanks to Ms. Phillips for organizing, and to all the teachers who worked with kids who presented.
- Winter Concerts (Dec 14th & 15th): Preparation underway. Format is likely same as past years.
- **Grade 5 Volleyball** team, coached by Ms. Creightney and Ms. Forsberg, played against Leigh at our gym. Will play at the Jamboree at Pinetree on Nov 24th.
- MyEd: Term 1 report card will be available for parents on MyEd Portal on Dec 15th; no printed report cards will be sent home. Dayna will send info for new MyEd accounts. Report Cards can be accessed until the end of the school year. MyEd will reset during summer break and report cards will be archived. Parents should download report cards before they are removed from MyEd.
- Student and Family Affordability Fund: Not a lot of families have come forward. Rick and the counsellor follow up when a need is discovered. (Some families have access to the Starfish Pack program, the school lunch program, and/or have received school supplies.) Staff have been consulted on SFAF. One suggestion is to take a portion of the fund and put it towards all Cedar families as every family is affected by inflation. As most classes will have at least one field trip this year, the money can be used to offset fieldtrip cost.
- **Enrollment:** Steady flow of families have moved into North PoCo. Many Northside schools are quite full but are working together to find space. There were some space at every grade but they are slowly filling up. Enrollment is at 286 now.

- **Pink Shirt Swap:** Bring outgrown pink shirts back week of Kindness day for a swap and help normalize sharing. Could tie in an Earth Day theme in April.

2. Treasurer's Report

- All fundraisers closed in November. Totals will be presented at next meeting.
- Grade 5 now at 58 students; PAC will commit \$580 to Grade 5 event.
- Some money came in from TruEarth.
- Spending: Carnival prizes, PAC meeting babysitting sessions, Fruit and Veggie supplies
- Grade 5 hot lunch at \$2100 but amount does not include expenses on juice, treats, and Taco del Mar payment.
- Neufeld total and Grade 5 hoodies final numbers not in yet.
- StrongStart Funding: Increase Classroom Funding budget by \$200 to include StrongStart.

Motion to increase funding by Alex Josephson. Seconded by Jane Adams. All in favour. Motion is carried.

Motion to approve the Treasurer Report by Queenie Wong. Motion was passed unanimously.

3. Grade 5 Committee

- Have had Pizza Hut and Subway. Taco Del Mar this Friday. Boston Pizza on Dec 2nd.
- Raised roughly \$1300.
- Neufeld closed on Monday. Raised just over \$1000. Pick up on Nov 24th 2:30pm.
- 56 out of 58 Grade 5s ordered hoodies. Made around \$200.
- Winter Concerts: Will raffle front row seats prior to concerts, and 50/50 day of concerts.
 Will need to get gaming licenses.
- Yearbook: Please send volleyball photos to Erica.
- Cobs (Oxford Connector): 5% goes to Grade 5 if Cedar Drive is mentioned.

4. Parent Education

- Used to alternate Body Science and Digital Safety.
- Safer Schools together offers "Social Media Awareness Digital Citizenship and Cyberbullying". 90-minute session, 30 mins for questions. Can do virtual, hybrid, or live stream. Also available are sessions for staff and for students.
- Tentatively booked for Jan25th, 6:30-8:30pm.

5. Fruits and Veggies

- Need new volunteer. Current volunteer is aging out. Volunteer does not have to be part of PAC Exec team. PAC will pay for Food Safe.
- Mandarin oranges next week.

6. DPAC

- Assistant Superintendent Reno Ciolfi and Principal Craig Mah presented data given by the Ministry of Education. This data was assembled into the Framework for Enhancing Student Learning:
 - https://www.sd43.bc.ca/FESL/Documents/SD43%20Framework%20for%20Enhan cing%20Student%20Learning%202021-2022%20%28September%202022%29.pdf
- They also went over Directions 2025, Strategic Goals and Objectives:
 - https://www.sd43.bc.ca/Board/Vision/Documents/Directions2025.pdf
 - The goal of this document is to make actions plans for learning. Hoping for action to improve versus just collecting data.
- Danielle Kraichy (Resource Teacher) and Stephanie Maki (Principal) spoke on Indigenous Education.
 - Danielle did a presentation on Land Acknowledgements. A big point of this is that Land Acknowledgements can be nerve-wracking at first – feeling like words are being mispronounced and proper etiquette isn't being followed. But it is important to push past the discomfort and do our best, being open to learning, correcting, and moving on.
 - Importance stressed on remembering that every Community will have their own culture and traditions. Danielle is happy to field any questions on Indigenous Education - <u>dkraichy@sd43.bc.ca</u>
- Digital Awareness event put on by DPAC on November 8, 7pm via Zoom.
 - "What Makes Our Kids Click" Keeping Kids Safe and Healthy Online.
 - Speakers include Carol Todd, Coordinator of Digital, Literacy/Citizenship, Dave Sands, Principal of Technology Implementation and Gavin Hanna, STEAM Support Teacher and DigCit Literacy. (Link under Parent Ed)
- The PAC Communications Liaison resigned so there will be a by-election to fill the position on November.
 - Parties interested in applying can find the documents here:
 https://dpac43.ca/documents-page/policies/
 - Nomination and Disclosure Forms are to be submitted by November 16.

7. Fundraisers

TruEarth: OngoingLunch Lady: Ongoing

- **Provincial Spirits:** Order online until Dec 16th

- **Spirit Wear:** 31 pieces ordered, to be delivered week before winter break.
- **Art Created by Kids:** 85 students ordered. PAC gets 30% of sale. Will be delivered week of Dec 9th.
- Plants: 26 orders (less than previous years). Profit of \$194
- **Gift Card:** Received \$38K in orders (usually about \$45K), PAC gets \$2200. 3 businesses ordered large amounts: \$15K, \$11K, and \$4100. Meridian Meat gives 30% back; next available date with Meridian is May 26th. Spring Gift Card is usually too small to justify shipping expense.

- **Excel Martial Arts:** Movie and Pizza Night Mar 4th, 6pm-9pm. Cost \$20, \$16 per child goes back to the school. Max 80 kids. Ages 5 and up.
- **Designer Cookies:** 6 pack of cookies. Easter or Spring theme with edible pen to customize cookies. Orders in by March 10th.
- **Me n Eds:** Restaurant night on Nov 17th. School gets 20%. (Upcoming restaurant nights: Domino's/Thurs, Jan 12, Chipotle/Wed, Feb 15, Boston Pizza/Wed, Mar 8)

8. Book Fair

- First in-person bookfair since COVID. Worked very well in the gym. \$5000 in sales compared to \$2-3000 at previous Book Fairs. The school kickback increases with higher sales amount. Received 60% back (highest tier).
- Kids received prizes and one child from each division won a poster. Teachers pick out books for their classroom. Books were picked for the library. Remaining amount banked for the school to spend.
- Next Book Fair scheduled for Thursday, April 20, 3-8 pm evening before Pro-D.

9. Festive Family Fun Night

- 73 families have signed up.
- Nov 18th 6-8pm

10. Movie Night

- Dec 2nd, Encanto. Doors at 6. Movie starts at 6:30pm.
- Flyers went out today. Grade 5 doing concession.

11. New Business

Lunch Lady: Order spoon/fork or bring your own.

Adjournment

Motion to adjourn the meeting by Jane, seconded by Katie and Kate. Motion was passed unanimously.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:49pm by Erica Salemink.

The next general meeting will be at 6:45pm on January 18, 2023.

Minutes submitted by: Queenie Wong