

James Park PAC Meeting Minutes

November 1st, 2022

6:30 pm at James Park Elementary School

Minutes: Katherine McGill

In Attendance: Sonja Feichtinger, Katherine McGill, Rosalie Wells, Cynthia Johnson, Luciana Ferro Sardi, Donna Ciarniello, Rob Wright, Cori Kehler (left at 7:49), Hannah Macdonald

	Agenda Item	Action Needed
1	Call to Order: 6:32 pm. Welcome and Zoom instructions.	
2	MOTION to add approval of the September 27th, 2022 Meeting Minutes to the agenda for tonight’s meeting. Motion Sonja, 2nd Katherine, CARRIED.	
3	MOTION for the approval of the agenda. Motion Cynthia, 2nd Luciana, CARRIED.	
4	MOTION for the approval of the September 27th, 2022 Meeting Minutes. Motion Rosalie, 2nd Luciana, CARRIED.	
5	Principal’s Report (Rob Wright) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Pumpkin patch was fabulous - Thank you to parents that helped out in the morning. - The Halloween Parade was a success. Lots of families showed up to watch. - Camp Read was a success. It was great to see kids in their sleeping bags reading books around the school. - Remembrance Day Assembly - Nov 10, 1045-11:30, families are welcome. - Grade 4’s are almost finished the FSAs. Student learning improvement surveys are coming up as well. - Student and Family Affordability Fund <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - This is a one-time government fund given throughout the province. - Three categories in which this money can be spent: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Supplies - Food Supports - Fees/Field Trips - District said not to rush into it, but money has to be spent by June 2023. - We have a lot of support systems in place for vulnerable families already, so we can supplement those supports. - Existing support systems already in place include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The Breakfast Program - This program provides 	

	<p>250 meals a day, sometimes over 400 meals (a child might take two servings, which would count as two meals).</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The food costs alone for this program at \$1300 per week. - Thank you to the PoCo Fire Fighters Charitable Organization for supporting this program. - Supplies - Hannah did a huge shop at the beginning of the year. If we have new families coming in, we get them the school supplies they need with no strings attached. - Gift Cards - The school provides gift cards to families with food insecurity. - We are looking at potentially installing a new fridge and washer/dryer, as these are items our existing support structures need. 	
6	<p>Teacher's Report (Cori Kehler and Hannah Macdonald) Cori (Grade 4/5 teacher)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Everything that has been happening in our school has brought a lot of joy to the intermediate students. They loved the Halloween Dance! - Christine Lafond and I are running the Grade 5 Ambassadors. They helped out with Camp Read and will be creating theme days. This club has given the students the chance to get more involved in the school. They can help with PAC events, potentially the Holiday Shopping Event. - Grade 4/5s are playing volleyball. They have signed up for a jamboree. - There is a music club for the Grade 4/5s now. - First field trips are coming up. <p>Hannah (Community Development Facilitator)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Kids loved the welcome back BBQ. They had a lot of fun. 	
7	<p>New Business (Sonja Feichtinger)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Breakfast with Santa - In the past, the Firefighters came in and made pancakes and someone dressed up as Santa. We will talk to Lori about this. If Christmas doesn't work, then we could potentially plan something similar around Family Day. - Expectations of Executive and PAC Members Going Forward <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Sonja works four days a week now. She needs everyone to put in the extra effort. - This is the opportunity to learn! If you would like to take over hot lunch (or any other role on the PAC) then come and learn. We will teach you! 	<p>Hannah - Will look into having a drop-in gym program during PAC meetings as a way to help with PAC recruitment.</p>

<p>8</p>	<p>DPAC (Katherine McGill)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The most recent DPAC meeting was held on October 26th. - Assistant Superintendent Reno Cioffi and District Principal of Special Projects Craig Mah gave a presentation on the Framework for Enhancing Student Learning (a document published by the district in September). This 69-page document outlines everything from data analysis on student performance to district-wide plans for the school year. A quick takeaway from this presentation, which focussed quite a bit on FSA results, is that SD 43 is performing quite well considering the challenges of the last three years. There are gaps in performance with Indigenous students and students with designations which the district is working towards improving. https://www.sd43.bc.ca/FESL/Pages/default.aspx#/= - A presentation was given by Danielle Kraichy, a District Indigenous Resource Teacher, on Land Acknowledgements. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Many DPAC members have been reaching out to ask about land acknowledgments and their role in PACS. - Danielle gave a very informative talk that stressed the importance of developing meaning in a land acknowledgement as opposed to it being purely performative. Meaning can be developed by putting our words into action. We can do this by incorporating some aspect of Truth and Reconciliation into our work as a PAC. 	<p>Katherine - Looking into Land Acknowledgements for our PAC Meetings.</p> <p>Luciana - Forwarding Katherine resources on Land Acknowledgements.</p>
<p>9</p>	<p>Fundraising (Katherine McGill)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Just wrapped up the Colibri fundraiser. - Neufeld made approx \$550. The profits from this fundraiser are usually higher. Their new ordering system is hindering sales. - Growing Smiles is launching this week. - Letter for collecting items for the Holiday Shopping Event goes out next week. - Purdys will be starting soon as well. 	
<p>10</p>	<p>Playground Committee (Katherine McGill)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Phase 1 design has been completed. This will include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Base Preparation and Rubber Surfacing - Molded Swing - Extensions to the Existing Playground Structure - Omni Spinner - Oodle Swing - Price tag (with tax) from Habitat is \$71,580, does not include rubber surfacing. - We can officially announce that we won the Port Coquitlam Community Foundation Capital Projects Grant of \$10,000. This money will be deposited before the end of November. - We have also started creating the materials needed to solicit community/business donations. We are looking for local businesses, community members, or clubs to donate to the 	

	playground fund. Larger donations will have their name written on a plaque on the playground and other perks.	
11	<p>Grade 5 Planning (Rosalie Wells and Sonja Feichtinger)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Halloween Dance - <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Big success! \$1031.36 in profit. - We learned a few things, and we are going to do things a bit differently with concession at the next dance but overall it was not bad. - Thank you to all the volunteers who helped out! - We were so impressed with how kind and patient all the parents were with the lines and waiting. 	
12	<p>Hot Lunch (Sonja Feichtinger)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - \$2300 profit up to October 31st. This does not include the purchases already made on Muchalunch for future hot lunches. - There will be less home-cooked food in the upcoming hot lunches as Sonja is working and the stove in the school kitchen is not as reliable. 	
14	Next Meeting: December 6th, 6:30pm. This meeting will be in person.	
15	Adjournment: 7:57 pm.	