

Ecole Maillard Middle School PAC Meeting Minutes

Monday, October 3, 2022

In attendance: Dale Anselmi, Carmen Campbell, Ida Tam, Angela Harrison, Kaori Kawamoto, Regan Lal (Secretary), Erica Gjaltema (Chair), Megan Lockhart

1. Call to Order / President's Welcome

Meeting was called to order at 6:58pm.

2. Adoption of May 2022 AGM Minutes / call for new action items

MOTION: Motion to accept the AGM minutes from May 2022

MOVED BY: Dale SECONDED: Erica VOTE: CARRIED

3. Principal's Report

Nice to see more people around the table.

Three goal areas for the school this year: equity & acceptance, Indigenous exploration, literacy.

Sports have started and band and choir is starting soon.

Field trips have started, mostly walking field trips for right now. Bus field trips are on hold at the moment because bus prices have doubled in the last year. Working on grants and actively looking for alternative funding. Public transit is also an option.

Connections has started and is the first time for every student in this school. Students get to connect with other kids and with another adult to do non-academic and engaging activities and dialogue about current events, global issues, equity & acceptance or indigenous goals.

Leadership opportunities – opening up to Grade 8s first and then the rest of the school. Program to be more student-centered with different opportunities to get involved: Spirit Squad (spirit days, special events), PR squad (announcements, office monitor), Community engagement (Terry Fox, etc), Style team (bulletin boards, Christmas tree, Lunar New Year), Set-up Crew (tech, chairs, etc), District Leadership Council (attend District meetings).

4. President's Report

Secretary position is filled until December. Opportunity to share the position. Please spread the word.

PAC has suffered since COVID. Love to have as much participation and help as much as possible.

Munchalunch is going again. Lots of enthusiasm so far. Please submit any location or vendor information for options, is great.

Now have a PAC Facebook page. There is now a Facebook page and would love to have many people join it. Advertising Munchalunch and the PAC meetings.

5. Treasurer's Report

Treasurer unable to attend, will circulate budget later.

6. Budget

Have not put together the budget for the year. So far fundraising is Munchalunch, but we can add any additional fundraising onto the platform as well.

Biggest funding request is for each teacher commitment. PAC usually give each Division (\$200), Expo (\$100) and EA (\$50) though amounts or if this money will be disbursed needs to be decided by the PAC.

Waiting to vote on the budget and for teacher allocation until budget has been able to be distributed.

7. Fundraising Report

- a. Munchalunch
 - i. Costs a flat fee of \$350 to run the platform and we can make that back with ~2 Subway lunches.
 - ii. Volunteer available through the app, as well
- b. Fundraising opportunities at middle school
 - i. In the past, the PAC has participated in Pointsetta, Purdy's Chocolates, Bake Sales plus a few others
 - ii. Not just about money, it's about community building as well – it's nice to have people back into the school and anything is available.
 - iii. Potential to participate with the Canucks 50/50 raffle ticket program (\$100/volunteer up to \$1000)
 - iv. Goal for the PAC: TBD, principal will work with teachers to develop a list. Vice-Principal to pose the question to the leadership groups on what they would like to see. Potential to replace the hand-crank basketball hoops in the gym or add water refill stations on the top and bottom floors.
 - v. PAC to vote at November meeting on whether to pursue individual fundraising activities (Munchalunch, chocolates, etc), or make a general ask to parents to donate for specific items as they are identified

8. New Business

- a. Letter to parents – draft *Welcome to the PAC* letter for all guardians outlining what the PAC does, what it contributed to the school in the past and what it would like to accomplish next year. The intent is to gain more support and engagement from the guardian community.
- b.

9. Adjournment / Next Meeting

Motion: Regan Second: Dale Meeting adjourned at 8:12pm

Next meeting is first Monday of each month – Nov 7 is next.