

**Maple Creek Middle School
PAC Meeting Minutes
Monday April 3, 2021, 7pm**

1. In attendance

Andrea Gretchen, Andrew Graham, Larry Ryan, Annie Tsang, Raquel Cooper, Cecilia Jimenez, Claire Arkwright, Erin Gunn, Jennifer Sam, Martha Navarro, Pooneh Kraushar, Abbas Tabyanian, Mike van der Velden, Kelsey Jones, Franklin Cisneros, Claire Arkwright, Rebecca , Behnoosh Jaffari, Zack, Lina, Emerson daMotto Willer, Amir Moosavi, Nadia Sheikh Naeem, Nelly PereyraMaharaja and Cecilia Jimenez

2. Approval of the Agenda: Pooneh made a motion to approve and Annie seconded. **Motion Carried**

3. Approval of Minutes from Mar 1, 2021: Pooneh made a motion to approve and Annie seconded. **Motion Carried**

4. New Business

• **Elections -Incoming Pac**

Chair/ Vacant (Laura or Andrea will take if not filled)

Secretary/ Currently Vacant (Andrea or Laura will take if needed)

Dpac/ Natalie Wang

Treasurer/ Jennifer Jarvis

Odyssey of the Mind/ Mike van der Veldon

Hot Lunch and Fundraiser/ Jennifer Sam

Member at Large / Megan Keller and Raquel Cooper

- **Staff Appreciation Lunch** - May 7th Ecard will be sent out to staff, Laura will give cards to Andrew by Wednesday
- **Grade 8 leaving Ceremony** - No participants other than students are able to attend. This means that parents can't attend. Report cards will go out online. Students will come in until 12 on June 29th. Each division will go through the gym. There will likely be live streaming of the event. There will be a photographer come in to take photos. Teachers are hoping to use the pac money for decorations and for an individually wrapped pizza lunch.

5. Ongoing Business

• **Principal Report - Andrew Graham**

- **Welcome** to all the new families coming to Maple Creek in the fall. Thank you to the existing PAC.
- **Covid 19** - The school had only had 3 exposures all year and then had 3 in one weekend. Currently two classes have been isolated. The school is seeing more kids getting sick. Staff and parent community have been very supportive. Many steps take place to contact trace and notify the school of the exposure. It is a long process and takes many hours to deal with each exposure. Even with all the layers of protection people can get this virus. The school is hoping for a more normal year next year.
- **Goals** - First goal is social emotional. Second goal is literacy.
- **Composition** - Number will be down by 45-50 students next year. Staff has gone down from 26 to 24 divisions. The school had 12 teachers laid off. Maple Creek hopes to get some of them back if the positions are not filled in June.
- **Grade 5** - Virtual Orientation this week (Thursday evening) to show how middle school works. Another video will come out in June with current staff and talking about Maple Creek. Maple Creek does lots of things to keep the school connected safely.

- **Vice Principals Report - Larry Ryan**

- **BYOD** - School is part of a bring your own device program. The school teaches kids to create not consume technology. There will be a presentation Thursday evening following the Grade 5 orientation. Mr Sands who runs the program will discussing the program.

- **Sport Supplies** - The sports equipment the pac purchased has been much appreciated.

- **Executive Reports:**

- **Chair- Andrea Gretchev**

- **Treasurer - Annie Tsang**

Annie has applied for the gaming grant. She is very close to finalizing the teacher wish list and yearbook subsidy. Janet will look into how much is owed from the Cobbs bread fundraiser. The money raised for field trips will available for virtual field trips/ speakers and presenters. Teachers have 3 weeks to let the pac know how they would like to spend the funds.

- **DPAC - Pooneh Kraushar**

On May 13th parent education night (BC transit and technology animator). Pooneh will send the information to Rachel.

6. Mail and Communications - none to report

7. Next Meeting - Executive Budget meeting in June. **Meeting adjourned at 8:22pm**

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