École Moody Middle School PAC Meeting Minutes for April 23, 2017 7:00pm

Attendees:

Jennifer Peltier (Chair)
Tina Muma (Treasurer)
Joanne Winsor (Secretary)
Shannon Jorgensen (DPAC)
Trevor Kolkea (School Principal)

Mary Vellani Vicki Cartwright Kendall Payne Zahra Kabani

Adoption of Agenda: Motion: Zahra; Second: Tina; Motion carried - all in favour

Adoption of March 6 PAC Meeting Minutes: Motion: Tina; Second: Jen; Motion carried - all in favour

Initial Discussion:

Since Kendall and Vicki could only stay for a short time the meeting started with their offer of help and discussion of how it would be best to proceed.

- -They are well-connected with a number of corporations. Many of the companies are looking for ways to give back to the community, and donations may be available for EMMSOTA.
- -With the new school building opening later this year there will be many new replacements/ purchases required. Mr. Kolkea should know within the next few weeks what some specific needs will be.
- -Kendall is wondering if donors can be recognized for their contribution (ex. Can a plaque with donor's name be placed on furniture or other structures to recognize the contribution?). Mr. Kolkea will look into this.
- -A number of business owners in Port Moody went to Moody Middle. They may want to give back to the community. It would be worthwhile seeking them out to see if they can contribute.
- -PAC can accept monetary donations as long as they ear-marked for specific purposes. Larger, more specific corporate donations may be more effective if donated directly to the school rather than through PAC.

School Update: Mr. Kolkea

- Last year a TD donation allowed for the purchase of new risers for the choir.
 - -Mary: TD has a number of grants we can apply for for a variety of purposes. She will not be a parent at EMMSOTA next year, but is available to answer questions if PAC explores these grants.
- -New school articulation for fall 2017 has been a recent focus.
 - -21 school will be feeding into EMMSOTA in the fall. Mr. Kolkea has visited 7 of these schools to meet with students coming into grade 6. Approximately 112 grade 6 students expected in the fall.
- -Once the new school building is opened an increase in enrollment is expected.
- -450 students is the target for the new building.
- -The recent court ruling will affect the size and composition of classes. There will be a lot of reorganization. There will be a number of students with IEPs in each class, but class sizes will be smaller.
- -Anticipating 12 divisions in September (currently 10). There will be room for 18 divisions in the new school building.
- -Strong Start and YMCA program will still take place at EMMSOTA and will also be moving to the new building.
- -Eventually the new Moody Elementary School will be built on the old Moody Middle site.
- -The majority of grade 8 students leaving EMMSOTA this year will be going to Port Moody Secondary, Dr. Charles Best Secondary and Gleneagle Secondary.

D-PAC Report: (Shannon)

- -At the March 29 DPAC meeting there was a presentation by "Children of the Street", whose mission is to educate and raise awareness on human trafficking and sexual exploitation, and to prevent the exploitation of youth. A number of social media issues were discussed, as well as associated legalities. A parent toolkit is available as a free download at www.childrenofthestreet.com/parent-toolkit.
- -DPAC elections will be held on May 31. Executive positions are available.
- -See attached DPAC info sheet for information

Treasurer Report: Tina Muma

-Treat Days: - Our 2nd BBQ day raised \$437

- Next BBQ day scheduled for May 12th followed by a treat day in June

-We should reach our targeted budget of \$2000 raised on treat days

- -Spring musical raffle baskets did better than expected with \$605 raised (only \$350 budgeted).
 - -Concession did not do as well as expected.
 - -Next year there will have to a different style of fundraiser since we will be in the new building. There will be no actual stage which will mean a different style of production. This may affect fundraising ability.
- -Thrifty Foods Smile Cards have exceeded budgeted amount. Need to let parents know they should topup by mid-June since cards cannot be be-loaded over the summer. Need to make sure if we exceed budgeted amount we inform Thrifty's of re-allocation of additional funds
- -No other fundraisers will be held this year.
- -Carry-over amount has not changed since last meeting.

Staff Appreciation

- -Asking \$2 (minimum) donation from each family to provide staff with Subway lunch on May 17
- -Last year the minimum of \$300 was raised to order Indian food
- -37 staff members to provide food for. Zhara will coordinate.

Grade 8 Leaving

- -Zhara and Mary will coordinate with discussion with Mr. Kolkea about details
- -Theme is Evening in Paris
- -\$250 budget (with receipts) from PAC
- -Some discussion of asking parents for monetary donations for food instead of asking for food donations. May also approach businesses to ask for donations. This needs to be well-documented for future planning of other grade 8 leaving celebrations.

Open Forum

No further items discussed

Next PAC meeting will be held April 15, 2017 at 7pm (ELECTIONS ONLY)

Meeting adjourned at 8:45pm