Ecole Moody Middle School of the Arts

PAC Meeting Minutes

September 17, 2018, 6:30 p.m. Library

PAC Executive & School Staff:

Kara Crawford (Chair) Samantha Kuypers (Vice Chair) Pam Morris (Co-Treasurer) Vacant (Co-Treasurer) Vacant (Secretary) Mark Clay (Principal) Kathryn Jung (Vice Principal) Heather Skipworth (Volunteer Chair) Vacant (DPAC)

1. The meeting was called to order at 6.30pm The 25 attendees were welcomed.

2. Approvals:

A motion was proposed and approved to accept the evening's meeting Agenda. A motion was proposed and approved to adopt the June 2018 meeting minutes.

3. Principal & Vice Principal's Reports

a) Principal's Report

Mr. Clay introduced himself and provided some background. He spoke about the staff composition and adjustment to the new school and commended everyone's resilience with respect to the stops and starts experienced during the moving process. Mr. Clay spoke about the middle school concept and its valuable role in early adolescence. He welcomed parents to come back and interact as much as they like, that parents are welcome even if the kids want space. Enrollment is up, many new international students about 370 total. The school has expanded from 12 to 15 division. The new school has capacity for up to 450 students and 18 divisions. A grant for \$105,000 has been received for a new inclusive playground. Might need additional funding as preparing the ground for the new playground will cost \$50,000 alone including rubber matting and bark mulch. The proposed new location is outside the learning common.

b) Vice Principal's Report

Ms. Jung introduced the year's theme of 'Mythology', and the school wide read "Wish Tree" by Katherine Applegate. There will be an exploration of storytelling, first people's ideology There have been discussions with staff regarding speaker Jennifer Moss and the Importance of Happiness at Work in the context that if kids are not happy there is no learning, no connection. Terry Fox Fun to be held on September 28.

4. Executive Reports

a) <u>Chair Update</u>

Kara Crawford explained the volunteer positions available and welcomed parents interested to discuss further after the meeting.

b) Treasurer Update

Gaming grant to be received. Operating account contains \$1210.59 and the gaming account contains \$102.89.

5. Fundraising & Events

- a) <u>Pub Night</u> November 2 Samantha will circulate an email after the meeting as the there is a lot of planning to do including obtaining silent auction prizes and selling tickets.
- b) <u>Scholastic Book Fair</u> planned by Heather Skipworth for November 19 -23
- c) <u>One Time Donations</u> Mark Clay confirmed that tax receipts are available. Letter to be prepared and circulated to parents with details and instructions for those who are interested.
- d) <u>Purdy's Fundraiser</u> will kick off in early November for holiday orders.
- e) Other Smile Cards, Cobs, Port Moody Liquor Store, Encorp Recycling.
- f) School Wish list to be discussed at next meeting.

The next PAC meeting will be held on Tuesday, October 9th at 6:30pm in the school learning commons. Subsequent meeting will be Monday, November 5.

There being no other business, the meeting was adjourned.