Ecole Moody Middle School of the Arts

PAC Meeting Minutes

October 13, 2020, 6:30 p.m. Online-Via Zoom

Attendees:

- Principal- Mark Clay Vice Principal-Kathryn Jung PAC Co-Chair- Samantha Kuypers PAC Co-Chair- Kerry LeCorre PAC Vice Chair- Aina Adashynski Co-Treasurer- Lucy Kuwica Secretary- Elisa Tjin Volunteer Coordinator - Alicia Purvis Co-DPAC - Jessie Hurley Co-DPAC -Tara Cain
- Cordelia Dailey Maria Omidakhsh Arezou Pishdadi Julie Sanchez Angela Chow Mike M. Hyunjoo Oh Kija Fiona MacEachern

Regrets:

Co-Treasurer- Jennifer Montgomery

1. Welcome and Introductions

The meeting was called to order at 6:34 pm. Introduced were made.

2. Approvals

- a) October 13, 2020 Agenda- approved.
- b) Minutes of September 21 2020 PAC Meeting- approved.

3. Principal's Report:

- Principal (Mr. Clay):
 - Expressed gratitude to all the parents who joined the Open House, parents who join the PAC meeting as executives. Appreciate to the staff especially during the open house.
 - **Terry fox** schoolwide assembly was a success. Having each class to present-virtually. Although did not raise as much fun this year, the push was being like Terry Fox-being courageous and tenacious.
 - Art installation: all students are working together, a montage of butterfly. Teams within own pods are making images to decorate inside school walls.
 - Classroom communities are established.
 - Communicating student learning: 3 ways conferences twice a year. Instead of letter grade, the school will be using proficiency language (Emerging, Developing, Proficient, and Extending). Probably on November 24-26 (Tuesday to Thursday).
 - The plan to have the three ways conference virtually. Perhaps using Zoom/Teams.
 - Would like to host another town hall meeting or Q&A with parents re: proficiency language.
 Would like to provide a forum to parents.
 - Q (Karrie): With the regards to the grades, moving from letter grades to the proficiency language, will kids still able to achieve honor roll?

A (Mr. Clay): The school will still recognize students for their hardwork. It will be a combination of teacher's recognition like work ethic.

- Sam will post on FaceBook page about asking parents to ask questions regarding language proficiency to the principal.
- Vice Princial (Ms. Jung):
 - Photo day coming up on Monday, October 19 2020. The photo company is Mountain West Studio is an outsider vendor, thus, they need parents' permission by tomorrow October 14. If parents need paper format, the school will provide it. One class at the gym at a time. 2m away from students, no contact. Vendor will have mask and gloves. Photo retake day is November 18 2020. Photo will be for student ID and yearbook.
 - FSA (Foundation School Assessment) is postponed by the ministry till January-February next year. Will talk about it on a later date.
 - Health and Safety: Expressed appreciation for parents who are flexible and understanding about not having to be in the school building is not necessary.
 - Please check e-mail, school website, newsletter for daily announcements to communicate and stay safe together.
 - BC ShakeOut Day on Thursday October 15 at 2:20 pm, earthquake drill follow by fire drill.
 - National Button Day, school has button maker.
 - Halloween is coming up: It wouldn't be the same as it normally does. Will discuss with the staff, so please check email for update.
 - School goal: MATH- online math resource group. Social Emotional Learning, like Open Parachute: curriculum using videos, real stories, and messages around personal feelings, understanding who we are, how we are feeling-mental health. Special unit/section involves around covid, current state of pandemic. Pilot with teachers who are interested. Part of the career ed.
 - We have three student teachers who are joining us. They are part of the social, emotional, self regulated learning cohort from UBC. Jamie Forrest, Michael Howard and Steven Marriot. They are here every Thursdays.

4. Executive Reports:

- Presidents' Report
 - (Karrie): Kids are happy to be back at school.
 - (Sam): Back to some routines is great.
 - Sam thanking everyone for attending PAC meeting.

• Treasurers Update

- Jennifer couldn't attend.
- Lucy: Munchalunch is very accommodating. We will wait until we are ready to resume before seeking payment.
- Community grand has not yet being received, usually in the beginning of October.
- Waiting for the wish list from the principal.
- Parents donation: should we post on School cashonline asking for donation? With the situation right now, Mr. Clay wants to be mindful. Open discussion when should we post on cashonline.
- DPAC

- Tara attended the DPAC. Tara hoped someone would notify the DAPC that this year Co-DAPC executives are Tara and Jessie so that they can invite them to join DAPC next time. Sam will send the email.
- It was first meeting of the year so mostly regarding new positions and their roles.
 Nothing to report back.

5. Programs:

a. Hot Lunch/Treat Day- It is on hold until we know more.

b. Fundraising

- i. Purdy's:
 - Some parents were wondering whether Purdy's fundraising is safe due to the pandemic, but DAPC said it is up to the school to decide which type of fundraisers would be ok for each school.
 - A parent expressed concerns around the nutritional value of the Purdy's fundraisers and would prefer fundraisers with a variety of foods be considered. Another parent observed that the Purdy's fundraiser is not specifically targeted at children's consumption so much as for general gift giving for family and friends. Gratitude was expressed for parent's sharing their perspectives. Other fundraisers were discussed and will be investigated that focus on different consumables later in the year. Because Purdy's provides convenient ordering, and is a demonstrated earner for the PAC during an uncertain year we will proceed upon clarifying Covid safety logistics.
 - Will discuss further via emails.
 - Parents who would love to help out: Jessie, Sam, Karrie, Aina. Reaching out to anyone who would like and able to help, please email emmsotapac@gmail.com
- ii. SPC (Student Price Card):
 - It gives student discounts at retail stores. It no longer offers physical card, but downloadable app.
 - It is \$10/card and \$3.50 goes to school.
 - It can be used over 450+ in retail stores across Canada, i.e. American Eagle, Bluenote, Footlocker, Old Navy, iTunes, Bath and Body Works, etc.
 - Sells the card in a bundle of 25.
 - Parents and executive members agreed to give the SPC a try.
- iii. RaiseTheFundsBC
 - Angela (parent) suggested checking out https://raisethefundsbc.com/
 - It is by a local resident, supporting locals. The site sells vegetable boxes and butcher.
 - Online order, pick-up from her home. However, some parents concerned that it has the distribution issue.
 - One parent will ask more information and present it for the next PAC meeting.
- iv. Neufeld farms
 - Cordelia (parent) suggested trying Neufeld Farm: <u>http://neufeldfarms.ca/fundraising/</u>
 - It is a similar idea with RaiseTheFundsBC
- v. Giftcards
 - With holidays coming, we could sell giftcards

Would love to hear people's suggestions for any fundraising ideas.

9. Adjournment

8:33 pm

Next PAC Meeting November 9 at 6:30 pm.