

# Mundy Road PAC Minutes

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Wednesday April 8, 2015 7:00 pm

Mundy Road Elementary School Library

**In attendance:** Gurj Parmar, Ursula Elliott, Michela Kelly, Christine Friend, Jennifer McKinnon, Ingrid Willis, Lenore Clemens, Tamara Sherdahl, Marcy Baverstock, Suzanne LaFleur, Janice Doege, Ryan Robinson, Rob Wright, Michael Charrois- Evergreen Cultural Center

7:00

## **Welcome and Introductions**

## **Accept Agenda**

**Accept Minutes of Feb 11, 2015 PAC Meeting** - motion by Christine Friend 2<sup>nd</sup> Michela Kelly

## **Chairperson's Report** – Gurj Parmar

Welcome back from spring break. Budget to be presented to PAC and will be voted on at AGM. We are looking for ideas for upcoming year end.

## **Presentation:** Evergreen Cultural Centre Educational Programs– Michael Charrois

Presented options for class field trips to explore theater, music, and art programs. They are also able to offer in school programs on a per class basis. Michael was well received and also engaged in a Q&A with the PAC. Left brochure with information, pricing, and contact information.

## **Principal's Report** – Rob Wright

Update on previous successful events include our Gr 5 basketball tournament at Charles Best. Students had a lot of fun at this now annual event. Upcoming events include Pro D day April 17, Como Lake Relays April 15, District track meet will be held on May 20. Our Grade 3, 4, and 5's will all participate in some or all track events with those that qualify. 20 students attended the after school multi-sport program.

Class photos are being taken Friday April 10 by Lifetouch. Discussion regarding Lifetouch as a supplier as Rob has provided feedback from previous meetings to the Lifetouch rep. Decision made to retain Lifetouch as student/class photo supplier for next year.

Upcoming events include sports day in June TBD, PAC sponsored art program coming in May.

Satisfaction surveys and Gr 4 surveys have now been completed, these surveys are confidential and are used by the district and government in studies such as EDI/MDI studies as well as for program planning and budgeting purposes.

Update on teachers wishlist: The last Smart Board has now been purchased. Pricing on mixer for gym and cameras is being obtained by Rob. Thank you to Nikki Schenato for sourcing and purchasing the carpets for Mr. Sampson and Mrs. Warners class.

The school has now started recycling organic waste on a class and school level. Mundy Road has now started organic waste disposal program.

Meeting between the PAC School Planning Council and Rob upcoming to collaborate on a number of issues.

Rob has obtained permission to retain the \$500 Gift Card which goes towards dairy products for the school nutrition program. Among other things, the nutrition fund is providing fresh fruit daily at the office.

The road safety program was a success. Thanks to Janice Doege for organizing this very informative well attended event.

200 students expected for next year at Mundy. There are curriculum changes coming. Rob will provide the web address link for more info.

**ACTION: Rob to send out letter to Mundy Road community about PAC programs and will include description of PAC positions for AGM.**

**ACTION: Rob to provide web address re curriculum changes**

## **Treasurer's Report** – Ursula Elliot

Recap of accounts and status. Question re surplus budget and how that applies each year as our financial mandate is to spend what is raised. Copies of Feb and March accounts appended to these minutes.

Presentation of Budget for upcoming year. Changes of note: description of carpet cleaning changed to "Carpet"; Classroom Activity Boxes changed to "Classroom Materials \$100/class"; the \$100 for DPAC has been made \$0, and Miscellaneous has been increased to \$850.

## **Other Committee Reports**

**School Planning Council**- nothing to report

**DPAC**- information from Teri presented by Lenore Clemens.

### **Notes from Feb 25 and March 25 DPAC meetings**

District Superintendent – Patricia Garland

- Email DPAC what great activities are schools doing nowadays – share with the District (TT attached latest report)

- What is the Ministry of Education up to these days?
  - Anti-Bullying efforts/programs
  - Learning Services – staff meetings more regularly, get the learning agenda cohesive – learning days up and coming sharing and collaborating and building on these concepts
  - Appointment was given for Learning without boundaries (Policy 1) of Board of Education.
  - The recent vision is more in the envisioning stage not the stage of implantation re BC Ed plan.
  - It's at a Framework for Strategic Vision and Strategic Action
  
- The above focuses on the following: Life Long Learning, Adult Learning, Quality Learning opportunity for all students and adults, Personalized and Individual learning. The old mission statement is now becoming reality.

Main drill down points:

Improving Literacy

Numeracy

Grade 12 Completion

Students Safety and sense of belonging

All parents are encouraged to visit the District website to keep up on what is happening in SD43

Ms. Banks – Speaker on the topic – “Self Regulating at an Elementary Level” (Feb 25 mtg) She spoke again at March 25 meeting about Emotional Intelligence

The BC Ed Plan was revised in January 2015 – it is just a draft and not ready to be implemented just yet.

- NEW item - Every student K-12 will be issued a Student Profile and have progression through competencies Levels 1 – 9, will be moving away from letter grades.
  - Post Secondary will be slower at evolving to this new system and it's objective will be to move away from GPA success and allow a combined effort of GPA and Portfolio accumulation and success
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- The New BC Ed plan will be in place by end of Dec 2015 into 2016.
  - Parent Engagement will be a focus – they will want to know what their kids are Learning and be more involved – show an interest

Upcoming event – “THE BIG PICTURE – Rethinking Dyslexia”

Held at “Heritage Woods Secondary Theatre – 1300 David Ave, Port Moody – Doors open up at 7pm on April 15.

Parent Ed night – April 9: What does the district do with all the data collected via the EDI and MDI surveys our kids complete?

New Vice President report and PAC voice – Craig Woods (first time presenting since elected)

- Coquitlam district has very good programs for kids struggling in behaviour and Academic (gave his personal experience)
- Coquitlam success of Grads is high for our district and compared to other districts.

**Communications-** nothing to report

**Volunteer Coordinator-** nothing to report

**Fundraising-** nothing to report

**Hot Lunch-** Nicole Schenato absent

**Emerg prep-** nothing to report

## **Old Business**

**Teachers Wish list-** rugs have been purchased by Nicole Schenato

**Nutrition at School-** Rob has confirmed that the dairy grant is now ours to use.

**Communication issues-** Rob’s letter will be distributed. Ryan’s to follow leading up to AGM as presented by Gurj at the April 7 executive meeting

## **New Business**

Next years proposed budget (Appended to these minutes) was presented and is to be voted on at AGM

**Adjournment @ 8:30 pm**