



Seaview Community School
Parent Advisory Council – Meeting Minutes
Date: September 20, 2023

Attendance

Wendy Kahlert	Chair
Tiffany Iliescu	Secretary
Sara Gillooly	Co-Treasurer
Sherri Frohlick	Co-Treasurer
Corrin Collie	Hot Lunch Co-Ordinator
Larry Ryan	Principal

Regrets

Lindsay Sandstrom	DPAC
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Meeting Called to Order at 6:05 p.m.

Land Acknowledgment

I have arrived. I acknowledge that our children learn on the shared land of the Musqueam (MUSS-quee-um), Qayqaut (kee-kite), Sto:lo (STOH-lo), Squamish (SKWA-mish), and Tsleil-Waututh (tSLAY-way-tooth) Nations.

Adoption of Meeting Agenda

Motion First:	Sara
Motion Second:	Tiffany

Adoption of Meeting Minutes

Motion First:	Wendy
Motion Second:	Sherri

Treasurer Update

Account: Sep. 2022 money leftover from previous years as not able to do much. Last year money raised and money spent was almost the same (raised: \$5,878.28 / spent: \$5,827.11) - raised 8,000 spent about \$8,000.

Gaming Grant: All money was spent. \$20 per student. \$2,000 left from previous year. Started with \$6,399. Money spent on bus rentals + gardening supplies + stem + ribbons + sand toys + yearbooks.

DPAC Report

Tabled as meeting on October 4 and DPAC parent absent.

Principal's Report

Students: 193 students confirmed this year. Slightly down from last year but higher than expected in June. Concentration of new students in K + 1 + 2. Planned for 9 divisions but district gave one more division.

Staff: Many new staff members. Staff has been spending time getting to know one another. Staff revisiting mission and vision.

School goals. District asked all schools to think about goals in three areas. School improvement goals.

Curriculum or academic goal: Reading and relationship between reading and writing.

Social/emotional learning goal: Growth mindset. Kids to develop resiliency to persevere in academics and self-regulation.

Indigenous goal: Trying to find better ways to embed indigenous concepts throughout the curriculum. Talk about and use indigenous ways of knowing - learning takes patience and time - fits with resiliency.

New Staff:

Christine Michaud (counselor). Hired in June but off for about two months for medical reasons so back at the end of October.

Lisa Styka (learning support last spring on temp contract). Not a counselor but supporting students - flex - coming into classrooms or taking students in small groups.

Katie Ng (K + 1 - new division). Hired 2 days ago. Started today.

Larry Ryan. Been here for year and a half now. Worked in Burnaby before. Seaview great community school. Happy to be here and to work with PAC.

Staff has been talking about looking at each child long term. Journey is different for each student. What's important is to move forward even if small steps maybe some large strides. True purpose of work beyond reading, writing, and math.

Uncoming Events: Welcoming conversations yesterday and tomorrow. Pro-D on Friday. Following week Truth and Reconciliation Day and Orange Shirt Day (September 30 but Saturday so statutory holiday on Monday, October 2). Assembly on Friday morning at 9:15 approximately - parents always welcome. Individual picture day early October (Thursday 5).

Music. In Coquitlam, music is not a guaranteed position - prep time is guarantee. Fine arts a requirement but not necessarily music - could be drama, music, wider arts. Ms. Evans used to be music teacher. Last year, she helped plan units for teachers and teachers could sign up for time if they want to spend some of the year. Last year Ryan May was hired to plan the Christmas concert and lunch time choir club - will most likely plan the Christmas concert again but choir was difficult to do at lunch time.

Revenue

Cobs Bread: Portion comes back to school. Flyer with ongoing fundraisers.

Bottle Drives: Several throughout year. 100% back to the school. Can also go to the depot and print label with school's fax number and proceeds to PAC. \$1,210 raised September to June last year. **Tiffany to get pre-printed labels from bottle depot to be kept at office.**

Port Moody Liquor Store: Mention Seaview and 5% back to the school. \$927 free money raised September to June.

First Aid Hero: Online stay at home or babysitting course. \$5 comes back to school. Stay at home course for 8 and up. Babysitting course for 11 and up. Advertise to Grade 5 parents. Advertising may help bottom line. **Post flyers at office?**

Purdy's Chocolates: Christmas and Easter. Easy to run. **Sherri can take care of the launch - set up email and get volunteers to help when orders come in.**

Created by Kids: Teachers get students to make art. Raised about \$1,000. Range of options - some more expensive but fairly inclusive so all can participate. Launch after Thanksgiving - October 16. Need to know by September 30. **Wendy will take care of launch and get teachers involved.**

Photographer: Photographer came in a couple years ago and parents could book sitting with photographer in different areas around school. \$20 includes sitting fee and one print with the option to buy additional prints. Should be arranged for the spring (maybe cherry blossom time) as craft fair includes photographer. Talk to Sonya's friend, Michelle, or maybe use same person as craft fair.

Movie Nights: Jackie did one last January but she is not here anymore. Requires a lot of volunteers. Must only use videos on DPAC website - DPAC has licence - must pay for a license but much cheaper. Admission would be charged this time to raise money (\$2). Concession would also raise money - pizza + chips + drinks. Maybe January or February around Family Day. **Mike will do all AV and get movie set up. Mike will look at selections and take care of title request.**

Hot Lunches: Around \$3,360.

Motion to Work with this Budget:

Motion First:	Kit
Motion Second:	Sherri

Spending

Classroom Allowance: \$300 per division for teachers. Teachers make purchases and PAC reimburses. Some teachers don't use allowance and others spend the money but have trouble finding the receipts. Teachers have until June to submit receipts but would be better to cut off in May or January and deadlines could be extended if necessary. Unused money from classroom teachers could be reallocated but easier if cut-off earlier. Funds raised should be used for that school year. **Sherri and Sara will prepare a letter.**

Music Allowance: Suggestion for additional \$100 for teachers to spend on music. Suggestion to combine \$1,000 specifically for music room. Teachers can get together and figure out what is needed. **Sherri will write letter re: music stuff.**

Additional Allowances: Usually \$100 each: 3 student services + resources + library + counselor + strong start (\$200?) - nature room maybe not necessary so funds for indigenous worker instead.

Grade 5s: \$500 for leaving ceremony and/or decorations. Maybe additional funds for gifts for Grade 5 students - last year \$20 @ Chapters + \$5 Rocky Point Ice Cream - \$25 per student. About 30 Grade 5s. Larry corrects to 38 Grade 5 students this year so additional \$200 for total of about \$750.

Hot Lunch Sponsorship: Sponsorships for families that cannot afford hot lunch program. Larry works with whoever needs that. Last year \$442 used - \$500 for this year?

Staff Appreciation Lunch: About \$500 last year.

Urban Safari: Too late in the year last year to organize but maybe this year.

Science World: \$750. Could be joint PAC and school will cover any shortfall. Sherri put in request but never heard back. **Sherri will follow-up.**

Yearbooks: PAC bought yearbooks for students last year - should do again this year.

Sports Days: Hot dogs + chips + juice.

Wish List: What does the whole school need? Balls for outside play. Could be out of gaming grant or PAC funds. \$1,000

Munch a Lunch Fee.

Operating Costs.

Wishlist: Last Year: gardening supplies \$135, STEM \$1,200, ribbons \$864, sand toys \$55, yearbooks, and buses. Get teachers to work together to decide on items and priority. Money could be saved for more than one year for expensive item. Larry can also put money in. Ms. Cowan prepared a big list. Mystery Science licences \$800 or \$900 annual subscription for whole school. Teachers discussed and voted yes, if possible. Suggestion that school purchase Mystery Science licences and take from wishlist funds and other things can be paid from gaming grant. Basketball court needs to be resurfaced - school district issue.

Gaming Grant: Could be used for bus rentals - fieldtrips - school wide non-curriculum.

Motion to Accept Spending:

Motion First: Wendy

Motion Second: Tiffany

Open Forum

Pumpkin Patch: Four classes going to pumpkin patch. Older ones could do pumpkin patch at the school. Grocery stores with abundance may donate pumpkins that are going to go. **Lianna and Sara will contact stores re: pumpkin donations.**

Milk for Hot Lunches: Thrifty's sponsored milk for hot lunches last year. **Corrin will look into milk sponsorships for hot lunches.**

Hot Lunch: All prices have gone up. Markup was \$1 - try to stick with that. Maybe on Thursdays nothing regular to interfere. Not more than twice per month. About 100 students order hot lunches. Some teachers order as well. \$5 to \$8 per order with entree plus drink and treat. Companies: Fresh Slice awkward. A and W most popular -

stick with it. Boston Pizza pretty good. Subway least popular but packed nicely - good for distribution. Dominos sent email to school. What about local companies and/or food trucks? Preferably something without cutlery - not normally provided and not environmentally friendly. **Mike can ask around and Lianna can look into Facebook Vendor Group and pass email to Corrin.**

Christmas Craft Market: November 25. Janitor cost could possibly be covered by the community budget from rentals in the school. Currently 12 or 13 vendors and a food truck. Table rentals @ \$45 each with \$10 discount for repeats. Maybe some Christmas decorations. There will be a photographer using the stage - maybe a big chair for Santa. **Mike can take on the role.** There will be a food truck and vendors may have samples so concession will be kept small. Question as to whether licence required for food etc. or is there coverage because it is a PAC school event? Question as to whether gaming licence required if there are raffle or door prizes - could get around gaming licence with a silent auction. **Sherry will ask her friend about silent auction.** Each vendor will be donating an item with a minimum value of \$10 for door prizes. Admission will be \$2 for adults and free for kids with a raffle ticket or door prize. **Lianna will send a list of vendors.** Maybe set a meeting late in October once past getting vendors. Possibly getting donations from community partners - St. Johns Street business maybe Willow and Wallflower? **Kit is comfortable asking people for money.**

Yard Sale or Trunk Sale: Discussion about possibly having a PAC yard sale or trunk sale in the gym and/or parking lot. Maybe after Spring Break.

Spooktacular Event: Discussion about spooktacular event with games and face painting. Could be by donation. Might be too late for this year. Seaview has had Fun Fair in the past - material and games are still in PAC room - takes a year of planning. Larry likes community building events - maybe make money but more importantly brings community together.

Halloween Dance: Discussion about possibly having a Halloween Dance. Decision that it is too late to plan for this Halloween but maybe next year. **Mike could organize before Halloween.** Could possibly organize a Spring Dance. No rentals on Wednesdays in the spring but Fridays would likely have better turnout especially for parents. Again tickets would be best to control for capacity but could be free. Larry would be happy to put money into this from rentals. **Mike could DJ for free would just ask for a letter.**

Community Events: Neelo (community coordinator) would like to plan some stuff for the community including parents and children. Maybe a paint night or a yoga night - things families can do together. Maybe send a survey to determine what time works best.

Maximum Capacity: Actually quite large. People will be coming and going - probably not staying the whole time. Sitting capacity different from standing capacity. Include laneways at centre of gym and keep doors open.

Volunteers: What volunteers are needed for craft fair? At least two probably three for concession. PAC can put a callout for volunteers. Possibly teenage volunteers who need hours for high school - talk to Neelo. **Kit will take position of volunteer coordinator.**

Next Meeting Date: Wednesday, October 18, 2023 @ 6:00 p.m.

Meeting Adjourned: