ROY STIBBS PARENT ADVISORY COUNCIL GENERAL MEETING MINUTES

Date: February 25, 2015

Time: 6:30pm Place: Library

PAC EXECUTIVE IN ATTENDANCE

Chairperson Greg Ryley
Vice Chairperson Jenny Guzzo
Treasurer Paul McDonald
Secretary Bev Komukai
DPAC Rep Sid Wong
Volunteer Coordinator Yuki Sato
Nitin

PARENTS

PRINCIPAL Tricia Tipper

Meeting called to order at 6:30 pm.

1a. Approval of Minutes

MOTION: Greg motions to approve January 8, 2015 PAC Meeting Minutes.

SECONDED: Nitin

IN FAVOUR: All OPPOSED: 0

1b. Approval to Amend Tonight's Agenda

MOTION: Paul motions to amend tonight's Agenda by taking off sections whose presenters are absent.

SECONDED: Nitin

IN FAVOUR: All OPPOSED: 0

2. Reports

a. Chairperson – Movie Night

Presenter: Greg Ryley

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- Last Movie Night was not as successful. Approximately 45 pre-ordered tickets & pizza, plus approximately 40 tickets sold at the door. About 115 people attended in total.
- Fewer young kids seemed to be there too. It was better controlled with less running around.
- Perhaps because movie was aimed at older kids. Also, the date was right before a long weekend.

b. Gardening Club Update

Greg and the teachers, Leslie and Patti, met with the City. It seems to be a great program and the city is excited to

- work with the school. The City takes on costs and will even water trees in the summer.
- The Club got some quotes for benches and has ideas for a rain garden with a meeting set for March.
- The MLA Fin Donelly can also assist and give grants we just have to go through the planning, applying and approval process.
- The Club is also looking at getting compost barrels.

The plan is to go with local, hearty species.

• On a side note, the school now has green bins in each class for food waste, and two big bins for the school which are picked up weekly. Ms. Tipper is asking for two more large bins.

c. Treasurer Presenter: Paul McDonald

- Still waiting on final numbers and calculations for Movie Night, Hot Lunch and Tae Kwon Do.
- The Entertainment Book NSF cheque has been taken care of.
- Pizza Day was a success again. Special thanks to Sid for supplying the gold fish crackers.
- Popcorn Day has been changed to March 4th.

d. Volunteer Coordinator

- There are lots of chips left over from Movie Night expiring soon, but not to worry.
- We had a discussion on Criminal Record Checks. Who needs to do them and when. Yuki does not need to set this up with every volunteer. It is only for volunteers who are in charge of students without a teacher directly present. ie. driving; leading a small group at Science World; etc.

• Ms. Tipper could send out a general email telling parents to get this done early in the school year so it's not a last-minute rush before a field trip.

e. Newsletter

• As usual, send Tara anything you'd like to be put in the Newsletter.

f. DPAC Presenter: Sid Wong

- Sid went to the meeting with the Superintendant. Lots of changes are coming.
- The new initiative is towards Student Profiles, rather than grades. Parents will be able to access profiles through an online portal by 2016.
- There was concern over applying to higher education without traditional letter grades. Others voiced concern about security of student data. The timeline also seems very ambitious.
- The Superintendant also said that SD43 is doing well, but there will still be 5% budget cuts.

g. Website

Ali recently updated our site. Please take a look and let Greg or Ali know if you see anything that needs attention.

Presenter: Nitin

Presenter: Greg Ryley

Presenter: Tricia Tipper

Presenter: Jenny Guzzo

h. Carnival Update

- The date is set for Friday May 22 from 4 to 7pm.
- The team has come up with 10 fun activities such as Dunk Bucket, Bouncy Castle, Cake Walk, etc.
- Still to decide: do participants win and get a prize immediately or collect tickets and work up to a prize.
- A lot of volunteers will be needed: middle schoolers (Roy Stibbs alumni?), older siblings? Local high schoolers?

i. Fundraising Presenter: Greg Ryley

- The lunch time Tae Kwon Do sessions brought in \$660.
- There are no updates on the Grade 5 Cupcake Sale.
- An idea was brought up for Pampered Chef cookware contact Elaine if you're interested in heading this up.

j. Walking Path/Exercise Path

- Elaine has contacted the Mayor and she will head this project if it is approved by PAC.
- Some questions remain regarding the age focus we want it to involve the whole school; maintenance; who does it attract to our school; do any other schools have something similar?

3. Principal's Report

- Currently 31 kindergarten students have registered for next year. We have 30 grade 5 students leaving. So, we should be at the same enrollment next year.
- We have turned away 25 students this year as all classes are at capacity (except kindergarten).
- Ms.Tipper brought in some lovely Thank You cards made by students thanking us for supporting Friendship Day activities!

4. Chapters Fundraising

- This is not an ongoing fundraiser, but something with a limited window.
- It seems like it would compete with our Gift Card fundraiser, or with Scholastic sales.

MOTION: Yuki motions to adjourn at 7:55pm.

SECONDED: Jenny

IN FAVOUR: All OPPOSED: 0