

GENERAL CURRIE PAC

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MINUTES OF THE PAC COUNCIL

Held on Tuesday Sept 27, 2022

VIA ZOOM

Present: Zoe generalcurriepac@gmail.com

Jennie-lyn

Katrina

Also Present: Andrei Sala Principal asala@sd38.bc.ca

April Pikkarainen Vice Principle apikkarainen@sd38.bc.ca

Kimmy, Peter P., Maggie L., Michelle B, Nikki, Sam, Susie S., Vienna's parents,
Michelle B.

Absent: Rebecca, Carolyne, Emily

OPENING OF MEETING: The meeting was called to order at 6:30pm by Zoe.

AGM APPROVAL OF AGENDA: The agenda as prepared by Zoe for Oct 18, 2022 was circulated via email was moved at the PAC Meeting held on Oct 18, 2022 by Katrina and seconded by Jennie-lyn. The agenda was adopted.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: The minutes from the PAC Meeting held on Sep 27, 2022 were moved at the PAC Meeting held on Oct 18, 2022 by Katrina and seconded by Jennie-lyn. The minutes were adopted.

2022/2023 Executive Member Voting:

Zoe has put forward the motion to approve Jennie-lyn as the Co-Chair and Katrina as the Fundraising Coordinator. The motion was moved by Carolyne (via proxy voting) and seconded by Emily (via proxy voting).

ADMINISTRATION:

- A. **Parent Teacher Conference** Parent-Teacher conference will be held in hybrid mode (in-person and on Zoom) on Oct 19 and Oct 20. It will be a sharing of information with your child's teacher, prior to the written assessment given in December, to get a sense of what is happening with your child at school. If you are unable to attend on these two days, please reach out to your child's teacher to schedule another time that works for you and your family.

- B. **Reporting** Reporting is changing across the province. District staff will be providing an information session on K-12 reporting and what to expect in Richmond via Zoom on Oct 25 at 6:00pm (Webinar ID: 632 7161 4481, Passcode: 6000).
- C. **Emergency Drill** In response to ShakeOut BC to help build preparedness with earthquakes, there will be a second drop cover and hold earthquake drill on Oct 19.
- D. **Pro-D** Oct 21 and Nov 25 are Pro-D day, school will not be in session.
- E. **Halloween** There will be a costume parade at 9:30am on Oct 31 and parents are welcome to attend. To respect everyone who celebrate and don't celebrate Halloween, students will join the march regardless if they have a costume or not. Students are asked to bring a cleaned out pumpkin to class on Oct 31 for pumpkin carving.
- F. **Volleyball** We had lots of engagement at our first volleyball game in our gym with Ferris Elementary today. Mr. Sala would like to thank the teachers in organizing this with other schools.
- G. **Field Trip** The school is looking for parent volunteers to assist with field trips. Parents can reach out to school admin to get involved.
- H. **Continuing Education** Information about after school and weekend classes provided by Continuing Education has been posted on General Currie website. Continuing Education provides classes for students and adults.
- I. **Photo Day** Parents should be receiving information about photo proofs shortly. Photo re-takes will be on Nov 9 for students who wish to re-take or who were absent.
- J. **Remembrance Day** There will be an all-school assembly on Nov 10. Health and safety protocol will be monitored by school staff.
- K. **PAC Contribution** Mr. Sala and Ms. Pikkarainen would like to thank the PAC for their efforts in bringing activities that enhance the learning experience for our students.

FINANCIAL REPORT:

- A. The Budget for the General Account is similar as last year, with Classroom Funds adjusted to reflect the current numbers. Outdoor learning has been added, for Grade 6/7 camping trip at the end of the year.
- B. The Budget for Gaming Account is also similar as last year, with Field Trip Funds adjusted to reflect 510 students. Movie license has also been added.
- C. Zoe has put forward the motion to approve the PAC Budget for 2022-2023 as prepared by Carlyne for Oct 18, 2022. The PAC Budget was moved by Katrina and seconded by Jennie-lyn. The PAC Budget for 2022-2023 was adopted.

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- A. Assistant Superintendent Jane MacMillan joined us to explain and answer questions on the new Student and Family Affordability Fund. The provincial government announced a new, one time funding to assist families who require financial assistance with school-related costs, such as school fees, field trips and other school-related costs. Please note that the funding will not reimburse you, meaning that you will need to reach out to Mr. Sala by email before you make any payment.

- B. PAC 101 will be held in-person on Nov 3 (Thu) at MacNeil Secondary. The 4 featured workshops will be: PAC Chair, Treasurers workshop, Fundraising and Dry Grad. If you would like to attend, please contact the PAC via email.

NEW BUSINESS:

- A. **Hot Lunch** Hot lunch is now open for taking orders. Volunteers are needed to help distribute food on hot lunch days. Please email General Currie PAC if you can help. Time commitment is approximately 11:20am-12:30pm on hot lunch days. The next hot lunch is Pizza Day on Oct 28.
- B. **After School Movies** The cost for movie license is \$600, with unlimited movie showings. The PAC will be hosting our first "Movie Night" on November 24 after school. Students need to attend with a supervising adult. Forms will be filled out to consent students to attend. Students can bring their own snacks but not for sharing. The next Movie Night will tentatively be February 16, to kick off Family Day long weekend.
- C. **Santa Breakfast** The PAC is hoping to do a breakfast on December 1. Additional details to be discussed: photo area, Santa costume, flat grill potential purchase for pancakes, and volunteers.
- D. **Christmas Fundraiser** The PAC will be bring back Purdy's Chocolate fundraiser for Christmas.

OLD BUSINESS:

- A. **Halloween** The PAC will be buying 25 pumpkins for students who are unable to purchase one for Halloween pumpkin carving activity. The PAC will be buying some candies for teachers to distribute to students in class.
- B. **Activities for Currie Students** The PAC is looking for options for workshops and will provide more information during our November meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:15pm.

The next meeting will be held on November 20th at 6:30pm via ZOOM Meeting until further notice.

