

December 5, 2017

Brent Kennedy Elementary PAC Meeting Minutes

Executive Members for 2017/2018 year

Chair: Jen Peebles

Treasurer: Kim Morris

Vice Chair: Cheryl Tereposky

Secretary: Michelle Harris

Date: December 5, 2017 @ 6:15 pm

Meeting: Regular monthly PAC meeting

Location: Brent Kennedy Elementary Library

In Attendance

Kim Morris	Holly Mackie	Teresa Gain
Natalia Nazarov	Jenni Stol	Ajla Morrow
Deana Postnikoff	Jessica Ludwar	Sydney Thiessen
Sheri Scown	Cheryl Tereposky	Jennifer Halliday
Michelle Harris	Jen Popoff	
Kyla Hurst	Shellie Maloff – Substitute Principal	Carolyn McTaggart (Tech Club)

Call to order by Cheryl Tereposky @ 6:20pm

INTRODUCTIONS by all in attendance – name, children – names/grades

1. REPORTS

a. Address by Carolyn McTaggart – Tech Club

- In the spring there is an international Table top game day – the last few years that teaches/has kids try out different table top games
- Tech club has been playing different games such as Zombie dice, etc.
- This year the international table top day is April 28/18
- She would like to see this event at a communal level for a full day on the Saturday. Families can bring games (human size, regular, etc). Possibility of a Children's market, food, etc.
- Caroline would be willing to organize/plan & help out with any prep, etc
- She is also willing to come back to the next meeting to get this project going.

b. CHAIR'S REPORT (Jen Peebles – Report given by Cheryl Tereposky)

- Valley of PACS – includes: Winlaw/Mt Sentinel/WE Graham/BK Elementary –meeting was on Tuesday November 14, 2017 @ 5:30 pm at the Mt Sentinel Secondary School.

1. They are setting up with Christine to put up a united front with respect to Winlaw & WE Graham schools postpones to January.
2. Holly Jack – WE Graham community Services – explains what they do – youth centre/food bank/xmas hampers/community kitchen.
3. They also wanted to each Pac to sponsor a bursary for a graduating student
4. Jan. 25/18 @ 5:30pm is the next meeting @ WE Graham – needs confirmation on a few items before set it stone.

c. TREASURER'S REPORT (Kim Morris)

- There were no kids in attendance that required babysitting (Quin & Sully were the babysitters for the evening). There was no one that got a babysitter at their home for the evening.
- **SEE ATTACHED treasurer report (Appendix A – 2017/2018 Budget/Report) – this was handed out at the meeting**
 1. **Chequing Account balance: \$7,444.16**
 2. **Gaming Account balance: \$6,360.41**
- Teacher request – Mrs. P – from her math workshop in Vancouver – she is requesting funds to get a complete math set – wooden quizziar \$192.50 & bag of dice (\$31.75) – **this was not approved at the meeting we will look at this is January**
 1. Previous teacher requests that were approved and money given were Ms Verigin & Mrs. P
 2. Need to look at setting a cap for each classroom and a date that requests need to in by, once the assigned date has passed then if there is any unclaimed money this can be put towards other requests. (approx. \$100/classroom)
 3. Shelley suggested they we try to spent 60% of the budget @ the beginning of the year. Requests should be in by Nov. 15 of each year. Suggestion of Dec. 15 of this year only
 4. If there is money left then we can look at 2nd deadline date for requests
 5. *Jen Popoff motioned that we wait until the Jan 2018 meeting to approve any more teacher requests. 2nd by Cheryl Tereposky*
- Liam – at the last meeting Mr. Hurley requested \$500 to help cover the cost for Liam during the winter activities...Pac has already given \$2000 for winter activities. Suggested that the funds come out of the Sports money that was given the Mr. Hurley (the money was supposed to be used for a substitute teacher in the spring for the ball team). Also possibility of using money from teacher requests is nothing else comes in. This was tabled for the next meeting in Jan. 2018.
- Canadian Tire Money – there is a balance of \$67.24. The phone number to use at the check out to give your Canadian tire money to the school is 7292.
 - a. Jessica Ludwar contacted Canadian tire and ordered 30 sleds. She will let us know the total once they come in. There is a possibility that her husband may donate the sleds she will let us know.
 - b. Also could put the money towards the BBQ – if not used for sleds but we can revisit in the spring. ***Sequoia has a BBQ that we could possible borrow if needed.

- Gaming Grant – holding off on discussion on this for now until the next meeting.
 1. Turkey draw & 50/50 – needs to be spent within 12 months from the date that it was raised. We need to make sure that we save the amount that was raised for any of these events for the slide as this is what we have told parents that we are raising the money for.
- Popcorn – Dec. 11/17 there was a donation for every student in the school to receive popcorn on that day. They will stagger the delivery of the popcorn to the classes.
 1. Dec. 18 will also be a popcorn day – letter will be sent out.

d. DPAC REPORT (given by Natalia Nazaroff)

- Jen was sent a membership form that needed completion for Dec. 15/17....If it has not been sent it Cheryl will get it completed once she has talked to Jen. DPAC is paying the fees.
- Presenter Ben Eaton – independent learning – they only got through half the presentation remainder of the presentation will be done Dec. 12/17.
 1. There were items in there such as looking at the budgets now for next year for those with learning disabilities
 2. There is a trained advocate to help you navigate the school system when you need help (add to Jan newsletter)
 3. Red fish is applying to become a K-7 school – DPAC is waiting to hear from other schools to see who would support this
- BC C pac Summit in Vancouver – there were various presentations that Natalia attended...highlights:
 1. Presentation by minister of education
 - a. Adult basic education fees are now gone
 - b. ECE funding will be part of the 2018 budget
 - c. Grade 10-12 new curriculum is not ready
 - d. Rural education funding – under review – this is what kept Winlaw open
 - e. Playground equipment funding February 2018 – school applies to BC C pac? – more information will be coming out – need to see how it will be made available
- BCPC back bargaining agent for trustee to negotiate with the teachers
- Rick Hansen foundation- money is available to get older schools retrofitted with handicapped accessible upgrades and also equipment for the classrooms.
- All presentations can be found at the following website:
http://bccpac.bc.ca/resources/2017-dpac-summit-presentations/?utm_source=DPAC+Summit+Delegates+2017&utm_campaign=ba4cc49f48-EMAIL_CAMPAIGN_2017_12_01&utm_medium=email&utm_term=0_eb3c700929-ba4cc49f48-254869961

e. MEALS REPORT

- Kyla Hurst was present at the meeting but had nothing to report.

f. PRICIPAL REPORT (Shelley)

- January 26, 2018 will be her last day
- Trying to understand school community and climate
- Safety – emotional and physical – she has talked to Grade 5 & 6 about the things that they are doing on the playground
- Highlighted things that went out in the Newsletter to parents
- There is a dress rehearsal in the morning for the Christmas concert there was talk of making this open to parents
- Winter activities are book for January & February 2018.
- Grade 4 surveys approximately 1 hr – looks at nutrition, safety, etc.
- There is a link in the newsletter to parent survey
- We completed it at the meeting in small groups

2. OLD BUSINESS

a. Water

- Contract to test water with flow rates and to set up water treatment has been started

b. Slide

- Cheryl is still working on this

3. NEW BUSINESS

a. Babysitting

- Get a signup sheet on the PAC board for those interested in babysitting during meeting to sign up with contact number then we can call from list during meetings on a rotational basis.

b. Christmas Tree

- Has been put up in foyer
- Was discussion about a food drive – decided not to as per Mr. Hurley's previous concerns
- There is a coat rack outside Crumbs in Castlegar – take a coat leave a coat
- Kootenay kids has toques, gloves, etc

c. Wrapping presents for teachers

- There may be some more that needs to be wrapped if people are available

d. Cookie Bake sale

- Cheryl brought up the idea of doing a cookie bake sale and selling them at KSCU on a Saturday. The idea was for Christmas but a lot of parents in attendance at the meeting were opposed to this.
- They suggested we look at for Valentine's Day

ADJOURNED @ 8:45 pm

Meeting Minute Action items highlights:

<u>WHO</u>	<u>ACTION ITEMS:</u>
<u>Jen Peebles</u>	<u>AGENDA ITEMS NEXT MEETING</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- teacher requests- funding for Liam- cookie bake sale for Valentine's Day @ KSCU
<u>Cheryl Tereposky</u>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">-go over everything with Natalia from the BC Summit in Vancouver and see what can be put on the PAC board- Get a signup sheet on the PAC board for those interested in babysitting during meeting to sign up with contact number <u>NEWSLETTER ITEMS:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- add information about trained advocates to help parents navigate the school system when you need help for your child with learning disabilities- There was a coat rack outside Crumbs in Castlegar take a coat leave a coat (not sure if still there)- Kootenay kids has toques, gloves, etc add a note on the newsletter to get parent to go to the website to register so that we can get their contact info -add date of next PAC meeting