

South Slope/BCSD Elementary PAC

Minutes from: Monday, January 11, 2016 at 7:00pm

PAC Executive: Beth Leach, Sheri Ekholm, Jennifer Merry
Parents: Michi Majkowski, Heather Ratzlaff
Staff: Margaret Paris, Teresa Fierro, Janice Nakatsu
Distribution: Jennifer Merry

Meeting called to order 7:00pm

Item a): Introduction and welcome

Item b): Review and motion to accept November minutes

Review of Nov 25, 2015 minutes.
Motion to accept. Sheri Accepted. Heather

Item c): Financial update – Sheri Ekholm

Gaming account \$9564.15
Non-gaming \$9175.06

Financial News:

Cheque outstanding \$25 for popcorn float.
Popcorn sale at Shopping Extravaganza made \$111.25.
Charlies Chocolate fundraiser made \$470.66.
Shopping Extravaganza made \$411.85 for PAC (this was half of the total amount that was shared with the school)
There are 5 old cheques written that were never cashed. Time has run out and they are no longer cashable.

Item d): Review of outstanding action items log and updates

Outstanding action items

1. Beth received one quote for an adaptable swing and for new regular swing.
\$948 for one adaptable swing (to replace one of the regular swings on existing playground) \$4058 for two regular swings and \$6200 for four swings (with the idea of putting them in the lower Southwest corner of the property for intermediate students use) The question was raised as to whether the intermediate students would want more swings? Janice will get input from the students.

Motion:

Sheri put forward a motion to budget \$1000 for adaptable swing.
Heather seconded. Vote: all in favour.

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2. Janice reported that the cost of the LLI Kit is \$6300.
Cost would be shared between two schools and the PAC.

Motion:

Heather put forward a motion for PAC to spend \$2100 on LLI Kit.
Sheri seconded. Vote: all in favour.

3. Teresa reported on the quotes for new risers in the gym. The four piece risers from Canadal were \$4100 and the three piece risers from Wieser were also \$4100. A contribution of \$3000 was requested from PAC with the balance being paid for out of the furniture budget.

Motion:

Sheri put forward a motion for PAC to spend \$3000 on risers.
Heather seconded. Vote: all in favour.

There was discussion about storage of the risers and lack of space. Outside storage with tarp coverage was discussed but It was decided that they should be stored inside to avoid the mould and deterioration problems of the current risers.

4. Yearbook
Margaret talked about the yearbook. A parent had volunteered to help but is unable to do it. Jennifer offered to design the yearbook (teachers to provide photos and information). Printer is yet to be determined.

Item e): Staff reports

Principal's Report - Janice

1. Basketball starts tomorrow. Mr. Hunter and Shelley Richardson will coach the boys team. Aki Dühr, former student and brother of Diya (grade 7 student) will coach the girls team. Nikki Reuter and Janice will manage the teams. The season is 5 weeks long.
2. Gymnastics equipment has arrived at school. Set up is needed.
3. FSA tests for Grade 4 and 7 students will take place in a few weeks time. They will be marked by the end of February.
4. Skating sessions take place in January. Ms. March has organized three time slots and buses are booked.
5. Me to We has been successful with many goats being purchased and students fundraising with the candy cane grams. They plan to do candy grams for Valentines Day.

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6. The two additional Pro-D days dates are now set. April 26 and May 13.
7. Breakfast/homework club for students on Tuesday and Thursday mornings at 8:30am begins January 19. The funding is provided by the Revitts' church.
8. February is Cross District application month for kindergarten enrollment.

Head Teacher's Report - Teresa

1. Next week is Literary Week. The book *Beautiful Hands* has been chosen for reading to all students. Staff will perform *Where's My Hat* for students. There will be a day for students to dress up as their favourite storybook character, trivia, and special guest readers.
2. Student led conferences will be held on Thursday, January 28, 2-8pm.
3. African drummer, Milton Randall, will perform on February 15 & 16.
4. An Arts Club dance troupe will perform on February 12 (free performance).
5. The school is gearing up for the Lion King musical. Students have watched the video and auditions will be held next week. A notice was sent home requesting parent help for props and costumes on Friday afternoons from 1-3pm.
6. Subway lunch forms were sent home and are due today.

Vice Principal / BCSD Report – Margaret

1. BCSD K-12 is having their winterfest this week. A potluck lunch will be held.
2. Starting Wednesday, some BCSD students will be involved in a UBC research project. As a result of the project, the program Language Links has been installed on all the computers. Also, IX1 (a math skills program) has been installed on two computers.
3. Deaf storytellers from the community will come to read to students as a part of Literacy Week.

Item f): Fundraising – Beth

1. Neufeld farms fundraiser dates have been set. Forms will be given out April 20, the deadline for orders is May 4 and the delivery will be Saturday, May 14, 10:30 am. A pizza party for the class with the most sales was suggested and Heather agreed to talk to students at an assembly about this.

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2. It was agreed to do raffle baskets as a fundraiser at the musical.
3. Shopping Extravaganza popcorn sale. Beth said that PAC wouldn't do it again.
4. PAC donation letter.
It was decided to send the letter out in September for donations next year.
5. Teresa suggested that a note about no video taking at the performance (photos okay as long as not posted). Someone will be hired to take a video and it will be available for purchase. This will avoid people's view being blocked and also the issue of copyright.

Item g): New Business

It was decided to hold elections for next years' PAC at the next meeting.
A notice will be sent out to parents.

Item h): Next meeting

February 22, 2016 at 7:00pm

Meeting Adjourned at 8:10pm