

## **South Slope/BCSD Elementary PAC**

**Minutes from: Wednesday March 29<sup>th</sup>, 2017**

**PAC Executive:** Beth Leach, Sheri Ekholm, Heather Ratzlaff, Charlotte Brown

**Parents:** Kim, Mark, and Sergei

**Staff:** Maria Perez, Margaret Paris and Teresa Fierro

**Meeting called to order: 7 pm**

**Item A) Introduction and Welcome**

**Item B) Review and motion to accept the minutes**

**Item C) Financial Update**

- Non-Gaming Account: \$7766.19
  - o Subway lunch \$324.89
  - o Ink for printer for primary teacher portfolios (6 classes)
- Gaming Account: \$7312.64
  - o Saleema Noon
  - o Science fair consumables

**Item D) Review of Outstanding Action Items**

**1. Outdoor Classroom Update from Deb Borgenstrom**

- a. Large committee of interested teachers
- b. 2 meetings so far – in process of creating vision.
- c. Design plan will be brought to the next meeting in 2 weeks' time
- d. Flat surface areas, wheelchair accessible.
- e. Possibly the grassy area by the playground; include a sitting space (circle of rocks, possibly with camping mats on top for comfort). \$1200 just for 16 – 20 large rocks.
- f. Flexible for small and large groups; shaded covered area (but not climbable); moveable space between rocks; plexiglass or chalkboard writing area (moveable to put away in a storage area when not in use).
- g. Are we going to keep the space fenced in or open? We want the space to be user friendly and inviting for families during school closure times, but want to prevent vandalism.
- h. District probably won't allow a water feature.
- i. \$3000 cost initially but probably more total. Likely looking at 2018. Cariboo and Cameron have outdoor learning spaces – contact whoever organized those spaces and find out what steps they needed to take.
- j. Committee will contact the school board for next steps.

**2. Technology Requirements**

- a. Design proposal for updated computer lab. Updated to optimize space better.
- b. This is a renovation the school has been planning for a while.
- c. District will be putting money into the project; no timeline yet.
- d. Asking for some funds from PAC – consider when planning items in the future.
- e. \$2000 won by a student in a competition and assigned for technology. This went into the schools account.
- f. Motion to give this money to the school for the project. All in favour.

## **Item E) Staff Reports**

### **Principle**

- District calendar for 3 years approved and posted to Burnaby District website.
- Saleema Noon presentation was well received. A few parents asked for their children to be excused, and a few others did not show up. Not many parents showed up for the parent night – next time maybe do it in conjunction with another school.

### **Vice Principle**

- Flying Hands competition was a wonderful success. Photos and videos will be shown at next PAC meeting with a possible presentation. Quite a few of the children won competitions.
- Found a presenter for BCSD sex education presentation. Dr. Bradley. Will do this later in May. Possible cost associated.

### **Head Teacher**

- Gym equipment being set up for the kids.
- Choir starting soon. Will be singing at volunteer tea on May 31<sup>st</sup> in the morning (8:30 – 9:20 am).
- Started track and field for grades 3 – 6, ends May 2<sup>nd</sup>.
- Talent show on June 1<sup>st</sup>. Student and staff performances. Daytime.
- Competition for BCSD kids. Kids will be coming in from across BC to go to Burnaby Village Museum.

## **Item F) Fundraising**

### **1. Neufeld Farms**

- a. Packages go out April 3<sup>rd</sup>. 3 weeks for the orders. Pick up May 6<sup>th</sup> 10:30 am. Possibly have someone talk to the kids in an assembly about this?

## **Item G) New Business**

### **1. Request for Special Needs Equipment for LSS**

- a. Talking to EA's and support staff. Purchase a Yogibo – specially designed bean bag chair. \$2799 x 2.

- b. Motion put forward to give \$600. All in favour.

## **2. PAC Nominations and Vote**

- a. Treasurer – Mark Van
- b. Secretary – Charlotte Brown
- c. Co-chairmen – Heather Ratzlaff and Kim Goodwin