**South Slope/BCSD Elementary PAC**

**Minutes from: Wednesday October 24th, 2018**

**PAC Executive:** Kim Godwin, Mark Van, Heather Ratzlaff

**Parents:** Sheri Ekholm, Feyona McKenna, Sergei Shalaev, Yasu Shigemitsu, Ryan Sakounkhou, Clint Wieler, Barbara Prince, Fran van Buytenen, Karen Birchenall

**Staff:** Maria Perez

**Item A) City of Burnaby After-school Recreation Program Presentation for Fall 2018**

* Louise Rauch from Burnaby Parks and Rec. Get your feedback to Louise.
* Is it possible to extend interpreter time to participate in after school programs?
* There was interest in a Valentines workshop, family session.
* Sports haven’t been successful – karate? There are some challenges with this and any other self defense program.
* Shadbolt programs are available.
* Dance and music are better at Bonsor, as they have a hard time getting instructors to commit to the short time frame of a school program. Suggestion that Burnaby Parks & Rec look into using a qualified dance instructor from the high school.
* Special needs requirements can be added to regular programs. The request needs to be made to Burnaby Parks & Rec.
* Interest in ASL courses.

**Item B) Introduction and Welcome**

Move to accept months minutes. Sheri puts forth motion and Karen Birchenall

**Item C) Staff Reports**

Maria presented for South Slope Elementary:

* How do we find out what’s going on at school? Weekly updates planned to start in December.
* Had the Terry Fox Run – raised $450. Joined by firefighters.
* Cross country season is over – Ms. Yapp & Ms. Hinestrosa led the teams at Burnaby Lake on Mondays.
* Volleyball has started. SSE and BCSD integrated volleyball grade 6 and 7 underway.
* Maria and PAC Co-Chair Kim Godwin attended the District PAC session: PAC 101.
* Serena (back office staff Tues/Thur) ending this Thursday.
* Teri Jang is retiring Nov 19th.
* Remembrance Day Assembly is Nov 9th. Everyone is welcome to attend,
* Pumpkin Patch is this Friday.
* Dec 20th will be the Pancake Breakfast.
* Jingle Bell Walk TBD.
* We Scare Hunger on now for the foodbank.
* A new report card process is underway. They will look different this year. If you would like a letter grade for your child, you can ask for one, but hope this new proficiency scale is meaningful to the students. Any parents with concerns can talk to Maria. Report card will remain paper based for now. Parent feedback on the new report will be requested.
* Question about what is being taught to our kids – please reference the BC curriculum website. If you have questions after that, please come see Maria.

**Item D) Financial Report**

$1874.68 in gaming account; This years grant ($7032) hasn’t been added to the total yet.

$5415.97 in non-gaming account

$13,964 in donation account

* The Donation letter did not go to BCSD. Need count of BCSD high school students.

**Item E) Fundraising**

* Subway raised $750
  + Change the form to add:
    - Opting out of hot lunch this day
    - No post-dated cheques
* Reviewed dates for Subway. Next dates Jan/Feb/April/May
* Reviewed Cobbs, Neufeld Farm, and Mabel’s Labels.
* Reviewed Tech request

**Item F) New Business**

* Playground resurfacing
  + Maria checking on district rules.
  + Clint (parent) will talk to sustainable companies.
  + Karen (parent) will talk to suppliers
* Parent Consultative Committee (PCC) review
* Staff saw a video in the states about positive messages in a school wide art project – done with an artist. Doing something similar is under consideration in the bathrooms.
* Looking into booking a Telus Wise workshop, or two. Plan for February.
* Interest in having ASL as part of the SSE classes.

**Meeting adjourned.**