

South Slope/BCSD K-7 PAC Zoom Meeting
April 21st; 7:03 – 8:02pm

PAC Executive:

Chair: Jennifer Hou

Vice-Chair: Don & Annie Murray

Secretary: Feyona McKenna

Treasurer: Candy Yeung (backup: Amber Lin)

District PAC (DPAC) Representative: Yingzi Feng

Fundraising Coordinator: Lino Liao

Principal: David Heard (South Slope), Catherine Bennett (BCSD)

Vice-Principal: Jennifer Zuvic (BCSD)

Head Teacher: Katy Deo (South Slope); Christy Jeffery (BCSD)

Item A: Introduction and Welcome

- The PAC helps with fundraising for the school (8 meetings a year)

Item B: Financial Update

Gaming \$ 6,821.93 (from prov govt and has rules for how it's spent; have 3yrs to use money)

Non-Gaming \$ 2,919.40 (from fundraising efforts)

Donations \$ 18,870.97 (donations sent to the school directly & tax refund eligible)

Item C: DPAC update (Yingzi)

- Updated school year budget => savings of \$4 million dollars BUT...
- \$9.4 million underfunding gap due to teacher salaries from arbitration
- 92% of budget is staffing and labor
 - => govt hasn't said they will fund this, so hoping more funding will come in or else teachers will be cut
- DPAC drafted a letter to all parents in Burnaby calling for action; parent who works at CBC news will help spread the news to the public
- If no extra income, then the schools will need to reduce their spending

Item D: Fundraising (Lina)

1. Purdy's update: \$204 revenue
2. High 5 update: approx. \$450 revenue
3. May – no fundraiser; perhaps fundraise in June instead
4. Floor hockey program => donation program for schools around BC; lottery system where if you win, you will win a ball hockey kit

- a. Would South Slope be interested in trying for this, or is there already enough sports equipment?
- b. Dave says we do have enough ball hockey sticks, but Jen says some of them are pretty old and maybe should be replaced. He's hesitant to support it because floor hockey isn't in the curriculum, it may not be very safe, and few teachers use that equipment.
- c. Jen Hou says it's nice to have the equipment as back up and it's easy to try for it

Item D: South Slope (David)

- 1. The school website has a calendar with events
- 2. ProD coming up - primaries will be working on assessment protocols; intermediate teachers working on math related resources; literacy event
- 3. Literacy event => Poem in your pocket day on April 29
- 4. Battle of the Books soon – happening district wide; fun, competitive & reading
- 5. Student led conferences coming up in May; Dave will send out a reminder soon
- 6. Class photo day and Spring concert in the evening
- 7. Sports Day in May 29 – PAC will provide pizza, chocolate milk, 6" freezies, etc.
 - i. Kim the hot lunch person will coordinate this & PAC will pay \$600
- 8. Quote for audio visual upgrade: best quote by Sound Right \$14,000 total for the list
 - i. Would like to buy 2 projectors and 2 screens due to the number of audience members and size of the gym, but that will increase the cost
 - ii. Suggest saving their money for 3yrs to put it towards this
 - iii. Jen Hou asks if we can buy a little bit at a time instead of all at once; David says we can have a plan to do this; Lina asks for the doc with the breakdown to be sent to PAC

Item E: BCSD Updates (Jennifer)

- 1. Flying Hands event – 9 BCSD kids & 2 staff heading off tomorrow and the competition is on Friday (PAC budgeted around \$500 to help with transportation)
- 2. In 1st or 2nd week of September, it would be nice to host a welcome back BBQ, pizza or fun activity to engage the community => would PAC be interested in creating this event? Would need volunteers to plan
 - i. Perhaps talk more after the AGM since not sure who will be exec and in the PAC next year; suggest an early dismissal day so BCSD students can participate before they get on the bus

Item F: Ongoing & New Business

- 1. Yingzi contacted Burnaby School District re playground upgrade (basketball court and Gaga Ball court)
 - a. David can do a work order request to install the Gaga Ball court and basketball hoops

- b. Need to use certain vendors for playground equipment (Habitat and Springtime)
 - c. Don doesn't think there's room for another basketball court; so will consult with him
 - d. Labor will probably be free, but we will need to pay for materials
2. PAC AGM is happening in May's next meeting
 3. June PAC meeting is just with new exec and deals with budgeting

Next Meeting: May 19, 2026

Meeting adjourned 8:08pm