

PAC Meeting (virtual via Zoom) – May 6th 2024

Called to order @ 7:02pm

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Roll of Members and Guests: Adrian Wild, Carlie Hubele, Jennifer Iachetta, Emily Klimchuk, Courtney Fitzpatrick, Cleo Nomm, Shannon Gee, Lauren Schellenberg, Carlee Perugini, Chuie Mo, Manjeet Sidhu, Katrina Smyth, Lori Sandeen

Staff: Elaine Greenhalgh & Helene Hamilton

Land Acknowledgement

Agenda Approved: Stevie Wild

Minutes Approved: Adrian Wild / Carlie Hubele

Admin Report: Mme Greenhalgh/ Mme Hamilton

1. Regional Track Meet is this Thursday at NDSS. We are taking approximately 160 participating students in grades 4-7. From there, some students may qualify for the district meet which is the following Thursday
2. 2nd School Wide Write – next couple of weeks. Connected to our writing goal of direct instruction of writing strategies and focusing on shorter writing responses (quality over quantity). First one was in the fall where we collected and analyzed a writing sample from each student to inform planning and guide teaching. The writing sample will tell us about a learner's strengths as a writer and areas requiring improvement. 2nd sample is to see changes & improvement over the year. Just one way we measure progress.

Each student has a writing folder, where we've been putting two writing samples per year to track their progress over time. Kids look through it at the end of each year to see how far they've come.

3. District is developing new procedures for student release in the event of an emergency (eg. earthquake or other emergency where we would need to send students home in a controlled release). District Emergency Prep committee has been testing the new procedures out at a couple of different schools this year. Due to geography, layout, etc. each site needs its own plan. On Wed, Ms. Labrosse and Mme Greenhalgh are going to a neighbouring school to participate in their release drill, which will help us prepare our site plan and release procedures for DG.

4. Parent complaints re: around parking. Delta Police is assisting. Our Liaison Officer, Constable Calnan has been very responsive and Traffic division is involved

Reports from Executive Officers:

Adrian (PAC Chair)

- Elections coming up for the PAC Executive Position – visit <https://dg.deltasd.bc.ca/parent-community/pac/> to find the constitution <https://dg.deltasd.bc.ca/wp-content/uploads/sites/13/2021/11/PAC-constitution-Updated-Sept-27-2021.pdf>
- game grant for next year needs to be done (action)

Carlie (Secretary)

- class photos that were redone weren't the greatest, will give them a try again next year.

Cleo (Treasurer)

- not spending all that was provided to teachers
- forecast money for the cultural bookings (ballpark budget to aim towards), including 3 to 4 events and a school wide activity

General Discussion:

Hot Lunch/Fun Days

- Popcorn Days – May 15th, proceeds going to Mme Turner & Oli, next day June 19th
- Freezie Days – Elaine to connect with Cleo

Family Fun Night

- Emily: will need sign up for volunteers (including putting together the raffle baskets June 3rd), different plan to be determined for raffle basket drawing
- Cleo: will reach out for volunteers (approx. 10 kids + 10 adults) for bouncy castles
- Stevie: started business donations - letters and emails have gone out
- cake walk will now be musical cakes
- food trucks will be onsite
- pre-pop popcorn and bring ice

Sports Day

- sign up sheets to come
- Cobbs Bread provide goods to sell rather than donating buns
- Jennifer will get donuts
- Adrian and Carlie to bring pop up tents (Family Fun Night and Sports Day)

Yearbook

- Chuie is doing the yearbook and will take photos (including track & field)
- Pamal Deol is helping
- 50 yearbooks ordered so far
- photos to come from teachers google drives

Grade 7 Grad Party (Date TBD)

- refreshments and pizza lunch to be provided
- June 21st – after grade 7 assembly with parents (refreshments and treats provided by PAC)
- parent volunteers need – Jennifer has volunteered to help

Playground

- replacing the Kindergarten playground as well as the one close to 112th but it's more in need due to rotting wood
- look into adding swings or monkey bars
- \$70,000 approx. to do playground
- put approx. \$2000 a year or so away for future
- great work with basketball courts
- put resources in google drive for future PAC members

Parking/school traffic (Lori)

- reached out to lead traffic engineer
- wants to assist and help to assist in pedestrian safety
- create sub committee

- Jennifer to create a sub group and work with Helen Hamilton

Other

- Possibly do 3 movie nights next year
- need volunteer for handing out Neufeld Farms with Katryna at 4pm – May 15th
- Welcome to Kindergarten event – if any PAC members want to attend – May 29th
- Canadian Parents for French Representative & President - *vacant* – possibly go dormant

Adjournment @ 8:23pm

Next (last) Meeting – June 3rd 2024

“No one can do everything, but everyone can do something”
~ Max Lucado