

PAC Meeting (School Library or Zoom) – Monday, December 2nd

Called to order @ 7:00pm

Email: PACDevongardens@gmail.com

Roll of Members and Guests: Carlie Hubele, Cleo Nomm, Lauren Schellenberg, Shannon Gee, Carlee Perugini, Kurtis Beaumont, Herminder Mahay, Sundeep Sahota, Lucy Li, Jishaan Rohilla, Patience, Courtney Fitzpatrick

Staff: Elaine Greenhalgh & Helene Hamilton

Land Acknowledgement

Agenda Approved: Lauren Schellenberg & Carlie Hubele

Minutes Approved: Cleo Nomm & Carlie Hubele

Admin Reports:

Mme Greenhalgh & Mme Hamilton

- New Child and Youth Care worker, Ravneet Thiara, has started with us. Ms. Sale took a position with the Vancouver School District, closer to home

- Thank you for approving so many of the items off our wish list – staff is very appreciative

- We are working on our tech plan - those funds will be very helpful. Our goal is to be able to replace the old projectors with either Viewsonics or new projectors, depending on the need/location. We have asked our district techs to check all of our projectors to see which ones need to be replaced immediately and which ones we could put off until next year, to help prioritize the purchases for this year, as we won't be able to replace everything this year.

Performance Groups Booked:

- Axe Capoeira – Dec 19
- Metaphor - (Hip-Hop 101) January 20
- Rainbow Dance Theatre - (iLUMiDANCE) March 3
- DuffleBag Theatre - Bilingual play (3 Musketeers) April 17

- Booked Bollywood Dance workshops – first week back in January. Thank you for supporting these opportunities for our students

- Whole way House donations: Donations for shoe box gift initiative have wrapped up. Staff will be assembling and wrapping the gift boxes and they will be picked up next week by someone from Whole Way House

- Christmas Hampers for 3 Delta families – now underway. We will be collecting items until Dec 16 th . Police Liaison Officers then deliver them

- Looking forward to our Christmas concert on the 17th - we'll be collecting canned food items for deltassist at the door

- Hold and Secure drill tomorrow morning at 11:15, as part of our regular emergency drills we do, along with fire drills and duck, cover and hold for earthquake prep. Hold and secure would be used for a variety of situations, if we need to limit movement within the building or keep students contained (eg. could be something outside the building or inside, like a medical emergency)

- Term 1 Learning Updates / Report Cards – available on line Dec 12th. Ms Chahal will email parents once they've been published live
- Basketball starts in January for grade 6 and 7. Sometimes we need parents to help coach. Stay tuned for more info.
- French Immersion intake for the 25-26 school year starts in January – applications are online. Available on the School District Website:

Early French Immersion In-Person Information Nights

Jan 13, 2025 at 6:30p.m. at Burnsvew Secondary

Jan 14, 2025 at 6:30p.m. at South Delta Secondary

Application deadline: January 22, 2025 at 4p.m.

Late French Immersion In-Person Information Nights

Feb 10, 2025 at 6:30p.m. at Chalmers Elementary

Feb 11, 2025 at 6:30p.m. at Cliff Drive Elementary

Application deadline: February 12, 2025 at 4p.m.

- Thank you for the giants tickets! Family wasn't able to go so their tickets were given to a family that wouldn't have been able to go otherwise

Reports from Executive Officers:

Sundeep (Gaming)

- 50/50 license is underway
- Christmas concert same as last year, no big changes
- provide Elaine with details for parents. Ex. Bring exact cash, canned good donations, etc.

Herminder (DPAC)

- got to sit down with the Trustees – Masako Gooch is our representative
- went over main concerns each school has – bullying & mental health, too many cell phones
- allocating funds for playground. If you work with a developer or builder you may be able to receive a grant – Ravi Kallur (Elaine will get a better sense of where we are in the list of playgrounds to be updated)
- how are we prepared for students with medication and allergies (Elaine - toolkit is in office with all medications)
- looking for more resources for Education Assistants

Kurtis (Canadian Parents for French)

- numbers back from new enrolments CPF membership in Delta area, still could use more people to sign up
- online virtual workshop this Wednesday – illustration workshop
- school has been able to access funds from CPF (concert for all French immersion kids)
- Does anyone know of any other french activities or events? Let Kurtis know

Members at Large:

Manjeet

- February – guess # of items for Valentines Day
- someone was backing their car on Downs Road, right into the crosswalk and they almost hit someone

General:

- fruit & veggie program running smooth

- special lunch days coming up – Selena and Lauren popcorn making, any other volunteers?
- Family Fun Night - \$4300 quote for bouncy castles & 1 generator
- Lions Club is going to help with the food, waiting to hear from them
- Yearbook – Mme. Santos has a couple parent volunteers that can help Pamal
- additional funds for tech would be great as projectors need to be replaced
- why is Tech so important but the Ministry isn't providing?
- Best Buy has a grant for Tech supplies but not easy to get and not worth the time. Fund raising or getting funds differently is better. Classes in remedy are in violation with class sizes but can't get remedy funds
- Jan 17 – Movie Night - Moana 2
- Bingo Night – 19+ with alcohol served, new rules strongly encourage no alcohol, not a good idea
- Email address for Microsoft 365 provided by schools? No, students are provided google email addresses by school which has been decided by Delta School District

New Business:

- looking for a volunteer to change the sign in the front of the school

Adjournment @ 7:56pm

Next Meeting – Jan 13th @ 7:00pm

Future Meetings – Feb 3rd, Mar 3rd, Apr 7th, May 5th, June 2nd

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