

Suncrest PAC Meeting Minutes
Monday April 27th, 2023

General Information:

Minutes: Kelly Girn

PAC Chair: Tamara Beale

Attendees: Jenna, Kelly, Lorinda, Maite, Reg, Roula, Tamara, Teresa, Vanessa,

Meeting Called to Order: 6:32pm

President's Report: Tamara

- Land Acknowledgement
- *Motions*
Tamara to adopt the minutes from our January meeting. Lorinda and Vanessa seconded motion.
- Thank you everyone for their flexibility to change our meeting to a zoom meeting due to snow.
- Valentine's Day: Thank you to parents for helping to sign Valentine's cards for the students.
- Pink Shirt Day Assembly was very moving.
- We will continue to grow and learn as a PAC. Looking forward to the rest of the school year.

DPAC Representative: Lorinda

Meeting Notes February 21, 2023

Emergency Preparedness Presentation

- Terry Gomez, Health and Safety Manager gave a presentation about Emergency Preparedness
- Each school should have 8 emergency drills every year, 6 evacuation drills, 1 lockdown and 1 hold and secure.
- The district provides a tarp, tent, nylon rope, bottled water, foil blankets, first aid kits, crowbar, flashlights, megaphone, hard hats, small radio, and bags.
- All teachers/classes should have 'go bags'.
- A principal must email if they do not have any of these supplies.
- PAC can provide hygiene paper, first aid kits, granola bars, larger tents, water, additional means of communication
- Emergency kiosks are funded by PACs
- Stoney Creek Elementary gave a presentation of their own preparation

Budget

- The provincial budget will be released at the end of February.
- School districts will receive their funds in March which will begin the budget process.
- All districts need to pass a balanced budget by June 30, but the budget will be passed earlier to address staffing.
- PACs will be consulted on April 11 & 18 regarding the budget.
- Please note that Burnaby schools had an additional 1000 students this year that were not projected.
- The increase in student enrolment has and will require the purchase of portables.
- The structural deficit is growing. The reserve balance was 10.9 million at the start of the school year but 5 million will be used this year.

Misc. Business

- Alpha and Mountain Secondary schools are both piloting 'bring your device' programs. Parents brought up concerns around equity and access.
- Questions arose around communication from a lockdown at Mountain Secondary. There will be a presentation in the spring regarding this.
- A question about school doors being opened and inquiring about a district policy were brought up. There is no district policy it is a site dependent/school choice.

Treasurer's Report: Roula

- A few updates to our school budget
- 185.39 for Valentine's Day cards and treats for students
- Stereo equipment budget went up to \$7098.64.

Fundraising: Vanessa

- Movie night went very well. Sold close to 40 family tickets prior to event and 5 more at the door. Expecting profits to be around \$500. (depending on expenses). It was a great community building event. There will be two more movie nights, one in April and one in May. The next movie will be Zootopia.
- Purdy's fundraiser happening right now.

Grade 7 Fundraising: Leanne

- Pizza night was successful. Still waiting to find out final fundraising numbers
- Krispy Kreme donut fundraiser will be in April.
- Neufeld Farms order will be open until March 8th. Pick up will be on April 3rd.
- Grade 7 slideshow will be done by the same family that does yearbook. Thank you!
- Thank you to Roula and Vanessa for help with setting up fundraisers.

School Presentation

Safer Schools: Kelly

- Grade 4-7 parent presentation will be April 20th, 2023 via zoom 6:00 – 7:15pm.
- School presentations will be on April 27th in person. Grades 4/5 9:30-10:30. Grades 6/7 11:00 – 12:00.

Principal's Report-Reg

- Busy month at school: Literacy week, Wax Museum, Rocks and Rings (Indoor Curling), Pink Shirt Day Assembly and Movie Night.
- Sound System- Still coordinating with district to set up sound equipment.
- Drills-Drill Week April 25th -28th – to teach the difference between drills and protocol. Parents will be sent information to debrief about drills at home.
- Staffing shortage for TOCs continues.
- Book Fair- will check with Ms. Ho.
- Affordability Fund- approximately \$3000 spent so far in grocery cards, student fees, and student school supplies.

Important Upcoming Dates

March 13th-24th Spring Break

April 3rd- Neufeld Farms Order Pick Up

April 7th- No School (Good Friday)

April 10th- No School (Easter Monday)

April 19th- PAC meeting

April 20th- Safer Space (Grade 4-7 Parent Presentation)

April 24th- Pro-D Day

April 27th- Safer Space (Grade 4-7 Student Presentations)

May 4th- Student Led Conferences

May 5th- Early Dismissal

May 19th – Volunteer Tea

May 22nd- No School (Victoria Day)

May 26th- Pro-D Day

May 29th- PAC meeting

June 16th – Sports Day (dismissal at 1:00pm)

June 19th – PAC AGM

June 29th- Last Day of School

Meeting Adjourned: 7:42 pm

Next Meeting date to Determined

