Suncrest PAC Meeting Minutes Tuesday, Sept 13th, 2022

General Information:

Minutes: Kelly Girn

PAC Chair: Tamara Beale

Attendees: Jenna, Kelly, Lorinda, Mairi, Maite, Marites, Reg, Roula, Sabrina, Sandy, Sukhi,

Tamara, Teresa, Tinoi, Vanessa, Ying Yang

President's Report: Tamara

-Land Acknowledgement

-Introductions: Each member at the meeting introduced themselves.

-Purpose of Suncrest's PAC: Our purpose is to work with the school staff to promote a [positive school climate and productive experience for all students. We want to encourage parent/guardian involvement in the school and support programs. The PAC works together with the school's staff to promote and provide intellectual, cultural, social and recreational opportunities for the students and families that attend Suncrest. The PAC collaborates with the schools' staff to establish a list of goals, priorities and to provide financial support where appropriate. To be a member, you do not need to hold an executive position, all parents and guardians are welcome to be part of the PAC. Please feel free to ask question, add your input and vote when a motion is put forward. If there is something that you would like to address, but the meeting is coming to an end, please email the PAC and it will be added to the agenda for the next meeting. I will add that the PAC will not discuss any individual student or staff member conflict or problems. For any of these matters, please reach out to Reg

-Fruit and Veggie Program- information sent to Tamara will be forwarded to Reg

Motions

- 1. Tamara motioned to adopt minutes from June's PAC meeting. Lorinda seconded motion.
- 2. Tamara motioned for monthly meetings to be every Monday at 6:30 (after DPAC meetings). Vanessa seconded motion.

**Final schedule for PAC meetings will be sent out in a newsletter and PAC facebook.

Treasurer's Report: Roula

-At this time, Roula is reconciling financial reports as she just recently received them. Needs to find out if we have paid for water fountains. Gaming grant application has been completed.

DPAC Representative: Lorinda

-Burnaby DPAC- the Burnaby District Parent Advisory Council- is the voice of parents at the district level and is made up of representatives from each PAC in the Burnaby School District. -A DPAC rep acts as liaison between their school PAC and DPAC.

-DPAC's focus is to support parent education, share resources/ knowledge between PACs, foster relationships between trustees and PACs, and provide meaningful input to their district regarding parents' concerns and questions.

-The first DPAC meeting is October 4 at 6pm (PAC 101 will be at 7pm) via zoom.

Principal's Report

Thank you so much for welcoming families back to school on opening day with coffee and treats – so nice to have that part of our opening back again. Busy start to the year-currently at 323 students with two of our divisions already completely full

Week one focused the themes of Growth Mindset and Hope. Students also enjoyed a percussion performance and workshop.

Staffing: 3 new teacher—Gr. 5/6 and Head Teacher Teresa Migliuri and Gr. 1/2 Zachary Sinclair covering Rebecca Diep's mat leave for the year, Witton Chau will be in on Thursdays covering intermediate PE.

We also welcome 3 new EA's: Carmen Chan, Gagun Kaur, and Alex Apostol as well as a new speech language pathologist Michelle Laing.

Teresa Migliuri is our new head teacher – welcome! Ms. Migliuri is in the process of setting up a school twitter account – we will send information home once we're up and running! This will be a place to share photos etc. of school activities.

Student and Family Affordability Fund: announced at the end of August. The Ministry is allocating \$60 million in one-time funding to school districts to increase food security for students and their families, and to support students, parents, and guardians with affordability concerns. District is working on process regarding allocations through schools.

School continues to be painted – hopefully finished before Winter Break

We are planning regular extra curriculars this year, cross country running and lunch monitors have already started. Ms. Migliuri and Mr. Cheung will be starting a grade 6/7 Leadership group and we will also be offering volleyball, chess and intermediate choir in the next while. We are waiting to hear back from Burnaby Parks and Rec. about the possibility of an after school fall program that will be sports oriented.

We look forward to having parents back in the building for assemblies and events moving forward - stay tuned!

Important Dates

Monday, September 19th- no school (National Day of Mourning for Queen Elizabeth) Friday, September 23rd- PRO-D day Tuesday, September 27th- Welcome Conversations (2 pm dismissal) Wednesday, September 28th - Welcome Conversations (2 pm dismissal) Thursday, September 28th- Orange Shirt Day

Friday, September 30th- No School (National Day for Truth and Reconciliation) Monday, October 3rd- Terry Fox Run

Requests for funding from PAC

- -\$2000 for drumming workshops (\$8 per student).
- -\$300 for movie license (streaming to avoid copyright issues).
- -Goal for this year's funding \$8000 for sound system improvement in gym.
- -Sabrina will look into school technology grant from Best Buy.

Motions for Funding

- 1. Tamara motion to use \$2000 from the Gaming Grant to fund the percussion workshop. Sabrina seconded motion.
- 2. Tamara motioned to approve \$300 for movie license. Vanessa seconded motion.

Fundraising: Vanessa

-Vanessa presented possible food vendors, costs, and delivery/pick up options. Reg will ask the staff how many days a month they would like to have fun lunches. One Friday a month hot lunch will be organized by Grade 7 parents.

Other possible fundraisers this year

- -Spirit Wear
- -Me n Eds
- -Mabels Labels
- -Retun It
- -Purdy's
- -Neufeld Farms

Meeting Adjourned: 8:32 pm

Next Meeting will be on Monday, October 24th 6:30pm via zoom.