

# TILlicum ELEMENTARY PAC MEETING MINUTES **\*\*APPROVED\*\***

Wednesday, January 12, 2022 via Zoom

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## **In Attendance:**

- Executive: Lisa Connell (Chair), Mandy Greyling Holmwood (Vice Chair), Cathy Hanan (Secretary) & Lisa Gelling (VCPAC Rep)
- Admin: Jeff Duyndam (Principal) & Rhonda Leduc (Vice Principal)
- Parents: Carli Conolly & Keja Lake

## **Regrets:**

- Manjit Braich (Treasurer)

**6:32 pm** – Meeting brought to order by Lisa C, welcome and introductions.

- Motion: Lisa Connell
- Second: Mandy Greyling Holmwood

**Meeting Minutes** – Review and approval of last meeting's minutes

- Motion: Lisa Gelling
- Second: Mandy Greyling Holmwood

**Administration Updates Principal/Vice-Principal Report** – Jeff Duyndam & Rhonda Leduc

- Jan 13<sup>th</sup> will be Popsicle day instead of extra recess for home reading, Jan 14<sup>th</sup> is Black Excellence Day (students to wear black) & Jersey day is now moved to Friday Jan 21<sup>st</sup>.
- Choir and chess club on pause. To be re-evaluated in February
- Covid: In the case of a functional closure (meaning not enough staff are available), SD61 has decided, as school will close for 7 calendar days. Under functional closure, the school stays open for students with special needs or those of health care workers. Teachers will work from home and instruct online for the duration. Currently approximately 80 students away, non pandemic average is 20 students away per day, regular Covid i.e. not Omicron average is 50 students away per day. Staggered breaks are back but not cohorts or staggered start / end times. No contact tracing is being done. No one has spoken to the school about rapid tests being provided.
- Staffing update – new ECE is joining kindergarten for afternoons. New temporary clerk in the office until position is filled
- Kindergarten registration has moved online starting Jan 24<sup>th</sup>. School transfer process also opens Jan 24<sup>th</sup>.
- Upcoming events: Pink shirt day Feb 23<sup>rd</sup>, Family Literacy week begins on Feb 24<sup>th</sup>, skipping week in February
- Book box is broken and needs repair
- Grade 4 families were sent a letter about the Student Learning Survey. All grade 4 students will complete the survey. Parents and teachers of grade 4s are also invited to do the survey.
- Cancellation of Grade 3 swimming due to Covid logistics. We will revisit this in the fall and try to fund the current grade 3 class and the classes from 2022 and 2021 that missed their lessons.

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- Chess club started in the fall - has almost 70 kids from all grades and has been divided into 2 groups to accommodate all those interested!
- Questions on the Facebook group about kids eating inside only. This is because the school is encouraging kids to sanitize before and after going outside in an effort to be as safe as possible and keep playground equipment clean.
- Carli is ok to come into the school and take lost and found photos

### **Treasurer Report – Lisa Connell**

- Tillicum PAC High-interest Savings Account = \$87.42
- Chequing Account = \$3073.82
- Tillicum Gaming Chequing Account = \$19262.32
- School Cash Online Account = \$5634.55
- \$250 grant received from SD61 for parent education

### **VCPAC Update – Lisa Gelling**

- Most recent meeting in November
- Police liaison survey has been completed. Results will be disbursed when complete
- Presentation about Island Sexual Health talks in schools done by public health. BCPAC is proposing to have these talks funded by the government as a curriculum item. Currently they are funded by the school or their PACs (approx. cost is \$50 per class).
- VCPAC is looking into whether they should help provide funding for N95 masks for teachers. Lisa G to inquire for update at next meeting.
- Report on shop safety in middle and high schools not being up to code and no plan in place to upgrade them. A huge amount of funding over a long period will be required to make and maintain the shop spaces.

### **Upcoming Fundraisers – All**

- Purdy's @ Christmas - profit \$1779.62. Thanks to Gen for leading and everyone that helped. Gen will pass on spearheading this again next year. We will do this fundraiser again for Easter – looking for someone to spearhead the campaign. Cathy's garage can be used for delivery and sorting. Mandy will consider spearheading Easter campaign.
- Food for Fun – February 4<sup>th</sup> date pushed due to limited people being allowed in the school. We will try for March 18<sup>th</sup>
- Anti-racism Presentation – confirmed for Thursday, February 3<sup>rd</sup>. Free to all parents and caregivers, teachers welcome too. Presented by Moms Against Racism Canada. PACs from 5 schools are sharing workshop costs. Our portion is \$100 and will be covered by the \$250 parent education grant from SD61
- Lisa C to get cost re book promo (anti-racism books for all grades).
- Value Village Fundraiser - has been pushed to the fall
- Bottle drive – considering for this spring. Lauralee and Lisa C will work on this. Ensure there is lots of lead-time so people can collect their empties. Mandy to create online

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graphic re our regular bottle drive so that it can be shared and cross posted in other groups

- Hilltop Mother's Day fundraiser - Lisa C will spearhead
- Vesey Seeds fundraiser – Lisa C to investigate for further discussion in February

### **Old Business – All**

- Disc Golf – letter sent to facilities team at the school district to see what the installation costs for 1 basket will be then we can decide how to move forward

### **New Business – All**

- Brief discussion about anti mask families in the school and the administration of the PAC Facebook page – keeping discussion and posts neutral.

### **7:55 pm – Meeting adjourned**

- Motion: Carli Connolly
- Second: Keja Lake