

TILlicum ELEMENTARY PAC MEETING MINUTES ****APPROVED****

February 9, 2022 via Zoom

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: Genevieve Arnold, Carli Conolly, Melissa Erletz & Keja Lake

Regrets:

- Manjit Braich (Treasurer)

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

- Motion: Carli Conolly
- Second: Lisa Gelling

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

- Motion: Carli Conolly
- Second: Lisa Gelling

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

- Report cards coming home March 18th
- Covid updates:
 - 2 rapid tests and 2 N95 masks per staff member have arrived and are being distributed
 - Sign in and out at the front door continues for now as per the Ministry of Education
 - Plan to end staggered recesses by spring break hopefully
- 3 student teachers in the school for their final practicum
- Reading Recovery program currently in our school. Has a .4 teacher who sees 1 student at a time. Jeff would prefer the Early Literacy Collaboration Teacher (ELCT) with a .5 teacher and a program that works with many students at once
- Kindergarten Registration – numbers are unusually low for the time of year. School has 80 spots allocated for the fall, currently 62 registered. Important to fill spots early for funding allocations.
- District has provided all elementary schools with a woodworking tool cart. Teachers will be taking safety training before introducing woodworking to students
- 2 students from Spectrum Outdoor Recreation coming at lunch time to work with kids outside started February 15 until the end of school
- Pink Shirt Day – Feb 23 – events planned around the school

Treasurer Report – Lisa Connell

- Account Balances:
 - Tillicum PAC High-interest Savings = \$87.43
 - Tillicum PAC Chequing = \$2468.78
 - Tillicum Gaming Chequing = \$19,262.32

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- School Cash Online / PAC School Account = \$7414.17
- Reminder that anyone receiving cheques on behalf of the PAC need to advise Manjit and Lisa C before they are deposited to ensure they are allocated to the correct account. Same thing for expenses. PAC will be trying to run as many expense reimbursements thru the PAC school account as it has a large balance.
- Keating School PAC has donated \$200 that was used to buy 8 x \$25 grocery cards that will be distributed to families facing food insecurity
- Swimming Proposal – Motion: to spend \$8800 in the gaming budget to send all grade 3, 4 and 5 students for 8 weeks of swimming lessons next year.
 - Motion: Lisa Connell
 - Second: Mandy Greyling Holmwood
- Anti-racism Diverse Book Basket Proposal - Motion: to use \$125 of the remaining \$150 of our SD 61 grant to buy a package of 10 x diverse/anti-racism books for all grades from Moms Against Racism Canada to be donated to the library
 - Motion Lisa Connell
 - Second: Lisa Gelling

VCPAC Update – Lisa Gelling

- Friends of Bowker Creek – created a learning area at Oak Bay High. Want to do the same at Lansdowne School. Plans are on hold pending the possible land sale.
- Discussion about the potential sale of land near Lansdowne School at under market value
- Police liaison survey – results have been tabulated and charted. Lisa asked if the Tillicum PAC supports keeping the program as is, dropping the program or keeping it with changes. It is strongly supported by the staff and PAC members discussed the value of keeping the program with changes around educating families and SLOs doing more work with BIPOC community. Mandy will look into an anonymous survey of our school population before the February 22 deadline. Discussion around adding a parent education part to the liaison officer program so there is a better understanding of the role. Dion Birtwistle is our new liaison officer, replacing Corey Volk.
- Budget Committee is asking for budget suggestions for the next budget cycle

Upcoming Fundraisers – All

- Review of Antiracism parent education workshop – 57 people attended from 4 schools. Well received by those in attendance. Lisa looking into bullying as a topic for the next parent education opportunity
- Food for Fun – next one March 11th. Packing on March 7th, shopping on March 2nd, deadline Feb 28th, portal opens February 15th.
- Easter Purdy's – Lisa has set up the campaign. Order deadline March 22, delivery between March 30 – April 5
- Veseys Seeds fundraiser – the fundraiser is not currently operating. We have been added to the waiting list for West Coast Seeds to be added to their program next fall

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Old Business – All

- None

New Business – All

- None

7:49 pm – Meeting adjourned

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- Second: Lisa Gelling