

Simon Fraser PAC Meeting Minutes - January 30, 2018

1.0 Review Minutes and Agenda

Solicited feedback from the December 12th Minutes. No comments made. Motion to approve Meeting Minutes; motion carried.

2.0 Treasurer's Report

In Rachel's absence, Val reviewed the balance of both of the PAC accounts: General Account - \$13,124.52 Gaming Account - \$5,122.85

Kelli V mentioned that it would be nice to use some of the Gaming Funds for new chess materials and possibly a large outdoor set. Costing would be gathered and presented at February meeting.

3.0 PAC Sub-Committee for Staff Resources and Lunchtime issues

Lin gave update on the sub-committees activity to date. They had met with Dawn the week prior. As for staff resources, Dawn said that the teachers have not expressed the need for volunteers at this time. As for Lunchtime issues, there was more to explore as options.

4.0 Principal's Report

- The school has a new engineer.
- New lights will be coming in, Division by Division
- Kindergarten Registration Sibling priority starts Jan 31st; 103 registrations have come in and we don't know yet how many spaces will be available; Wolfe and Nightingale will be overflow schools; February – all families will receive letters
- Undercover police examined 16th and Manitoba and deemed it safe as is and that Grade 7 students are not a viable solution for helping as cross guards
- · Children have been talked to about pedestrian safety
- Pink Shirt Day is February 28th It had been proposed earlier in the year that a guest speaker could come around the same time to talk about anti-bullying. Dawn and teachers chose to keep it internal and shift focus to belonging as opposed to anti-bullying.
- January 31st is crazy hair day
- Family Day is February 12th
- Student Conferences will be split between February and April
- New Report Cards are being piloted this year by a few teachers who have volunteered to try them out There would be one mid-year and another at the end of the year. It moves away from As and Bs and places the students competency on a scale ranging from Beginning to Developing to Applying to Extending. It's a progress report vs a fixed mindset
- As per the Ministry of Education guidelines, schools are encouraged to teach about SOGI
 (Sexual Orientation and Gender Identity) and the students have recently had someone
 come in to chat about it. While parents do have the option to opt out of topics related to
 reproduction and sex education at school (and have their children learn about this through
 alternative methods), its important to note that reproduction and sex education are
 different topics than the topic of Sexual Orientation and Gender Identity (SOGI)
- Ms Ito is still teaching Division 6 search is on-going for a more permanent replacement
- Ms Rai has now left and they are searching to find a replacement for the library

5.0 Fundraising Update

- Hot lunch dates February 13th and 26th
- Tech fundraiser still needs clarification of the teacher's needs Dawn to follow up
- Spring Fling moved up to Friday, June 1st

6.0 DPAC Update

Advised attendees that Jen Stewart had moved away, so the SFE DPAC representative
position was available for a new volunteer. At this point nobody stepped up for the role. Will
ask again at February meeting

7.0 SNEAL Update

No update