

Simon Fraser PAC Meeting Minutes – September 25, 2017

1.0 Review Minutes and Agenda

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

2.0 New Business

Gravel Field – One attendee suggested that alternative be looked at for the surface of the backfield. It was explained that another portable was being brought in before the New Year and any work on the current field would be very expensive and require fundraising. The topic was not pursued.

Saleema Noon – Parents were keen on bringing Saleema in every 2 years. Chris Anderson to make contact and book her for the 2018/2019 school year.

Hip Hop – Dina Smallman had been approached by the owners of Boogaloo Academy to see if we were interested again for this year as they are filling up fast. Parents would like to discuss options at next meeting as Hip Hop (at approximately \$5k + family contribution) is expensive and having it every year doesn't give the children variety. Val asked all attendees to research options.

Grade 4 Portable – Parents of children in Ms. Gaetanne's "Library" class wanted an update on the temporary classroom situation. Dawn explained that the portable (that received late approval) was scheduled to arrive in November and they were doing their absolute best under the circumstances. Other classes were still able to retrieve library books and they were able to keep the physio and resource rooms for what they were initially intended.

Jen Stewart and Kelli Vukelic raised the concern about the amount of bathrooms for a school that is 154% over capacity and the distance that the children in the portables need to come to use them.

Please note – At time of writing these minutes, Kelli has already contacted the city. We have learnt that if portables are classified as temporary buildings (and not permanent) structures you aren't forced into the legal limit of bathrooms for new additions / new builds (for 300 students, 3 male bathrooms and 6 female would be required).

3.0 Treasurer's Report

Rachel reviewed status of all PAC accounts – including the Community Gaming Account (CGA):
Operating Account - \$14,192.58 CGA - \$1,920.42

She also explained the meaning behind the CGA, so that everyone was clear of its qualifications and purpose, and mentioned that we were waiting for our approval. Grant was applied for in late June and supporting documents supplied in early September.

Please note – At time of writing these minutes, the Community Gaming Grant has been approved and SFE will be receiving \$6,180.00 for the 2017/2018 school year.

It was outlined that we would have a Direct Drive Fundraiser in the spring since the Walkathon was coming out from the school this fall on Wed. Oct 11th.

4.0 Principal's Report

- Thank you to Brent for the branded soccer ball fundraiser
- Sept 28th – Terry Fox Run
- Sept 29th – Orange Shirt Day
- Cross Country underway – great activity for all grades
- Grade 7s have been invited to a soccer tournament hosted by the VPD and the Whitecaps.
- Mr. Hunter has applied to be the full-time gym teacher
- Goal Setting Conferences have been set for Oct 18th and 19th
- Reporting / Student assessment is still being debated, i.e. maybe they would go down to only 2 report cards and adding a 3rd conference
- Reminder to parents that the Code of Conduct (Be Safe, Be Kind, Be Fair) is not just for the students, but for the staff and parents as well. If an incident does occur, please approach Dawn first.
- 2 fire drills happened this week – only kindies are given a heads up
- Shake Down BC (earthquake drill) will be happening in October
- Reminders – Hold and Secure – threat is in the neighbourhood, so kids and staff are in school with main doors locked. Lock down – threat is in the school, so kids and staff are locked in their classrooms.

5.0 Fall Social

Nov 3rd at Anza Club again. Casino Theme with silent and live auctions. Volunteers needed.

6.0 DPAC Update

Jen Stewart to continue as our SFE rep with DPAC. \$75 was approved for her to attend the BCCPAC Spring AGM.

7.0 SNEAL Update

In Gillian's absence, Val explained the purpose of the role.

8.0 Hot Lunch Update

First Hot Lunch scheduled for October 16th. Some parents asked if we wanted to consider doing the lunches more often and Sarah mentioned that we may re-assess in the new year.

Please note – At time of writing these minutes, October's Hot Lunches were moved to Oct 23rd and Oct 30th.