

## **Ross Elementary PAC Meeting Minutes**

**Tuesday, Mar 5, 2024, at 6 pm (virtual)**

Minutes recorded by Jacqui Wiens

Meeting lead by Sarn

In attendance: Emily, Jacqui, Kristen Vogel, Vanessa, Sandy, Christina, Meghan, Sarn, Krista

Welcome, Land Acknowledgement

Today's agenda proposed for approval by Christina, seconded by Emily, Agenda approved

February minutes proposed for approval by Emily, seconded by Vanessa, Minutes approved

### **PAC President Report**

No report as Aissa unable to attend

### **Principal's Report**

Update on school goals: Writing - learning targets

Update on Rock Benches: Quote for 7 benches \$6700. Discussion on the best location: Nature Play area (near Ross Road, near dumpster) and Back Field right-hand corner. Kristen will discuss the location next with teachers/staff.

Budgeting of rock benches: Kristen is anticipating a quote on revitalizing the STEAM lab space – then both will be presented to teachers as a choice, or if there is space in the school budget, both items will be looked at for approval.

Class photos are Thursday at 9 am

All school field trip to Aladdin – presented by Chief Dan Middle at Abby Arts after spring break

End of April – pickleball (last year we did tennis)

Ready, Set, Learn is May 30

Parent Survey is on Abbotsford school district website

Vaisakhi – Sarn is working on this with other parents – planning for 3 dances, question and answer period with a UFV professor regarding the history and cultural significance, a fashion show and henna. Donations are being collected by parents to purchase food.

Hi Tech Hi Touch – next week Tuesday is the first group

Snap Tunes update: The classroom songwriting and recording experience and the concert were great. Laura Koch said she would be interested in working with Ross again next year.

Fun Fair May 3: Kristen has reached out to Hansen, the police liaison, etc as per Amy's list

### **Treasurer Report**

We do not have enough in the gaming fund to cover the waterslides field trip. We could use the money that was budgeted for Snap Tunes – the remainder from the regular account that ended up being extra when we received the grant – estimate \$2000. Discussion on raffle and 50-50, a parent volunteer is required.

Emily proposes \$200 is moved from the earthquake supplies budget to Vaisakhi, Christina seconded, motion is approved.

Question: what was the profit on the last Neufeld's fundraiser? \$656 in Fall 2023, \$781 in 2022

### **Fundraising Report**

Discussion on Devan and Clearview nursery – financially we will potentially make more money on the baskets – only need to sell 35 hanging baskets (must sell a minimum of 25) to make the same profit that we made on all the Devan gift cards last year.

Update on donut fundraiser – idea to bundle it into a hot lunch or hotdog day, makes it easy for parents to click on it. Plain glazed donut priced at \$3.50 or \$4.

Upcoming Neufeld, Clearview Hanging Baskets and Donuts Apr 5

May/June Raffle – Fun Fair team is looking into a possible silent auction at FF, also would like to do a 50-50 draw at FF Friday May 3

### **Grade 5 Fundraising**

Jacqui/Kathleen/Krystine M will plan a bake sale after spring break

Upcoming \$2 Popcorn Fridays: Mar 8, Mar 15, Apr 5, Apr 12

Current fundraising total: \$1814.10 Estimated target: \$3015

### **Hot Lunch Report**

Previous: Feb 23 Subway

Upcoming: Wok Box Mar 8, White Spot April 19, May 10 Boston Pizza, June 14 McDonald's

Canteen Lunch: Apr 5 – Hot dogs, veggie dogs, juice boxes and donuts. Order cutoff either prior to Spring Break, or Mar 22. Discussion on logistics: start cooking at 10:30am – 2 hours lead time – buy foil wrappers from the dollar store for hotdogs.

Idea about 6 pack of donuts for kids to bring home.

Volunteers: Christina, Meghan, Jacqui, Sandy, Emily, Krista – Meghan sending form out this week, Sandy can pick up donuts April 5.

**Other:** Questions or comments from parents, follow up from last meeting:

Discussion of Nature Play Coordinator – potential volunteer being contacted by Aissa

Question from parent: Is it too late to pay/pick up Silent Auction items from Dec 22 – Burger Burger GC and Krause Winery? Aissa will confirm with her records. These items likely went to the next bidder on the auction list.

PAC newsletter: The first newsletter was great.

Idea: PAC newsletter every month.

Idea: list each PAC position in the next newsletter and feature a position in each issue for succession planning. Each PAC executive/committee person is to send Sarn a one-line description.

Adjournment 6:55pm

**Next PAC Meeting** Tuesday, April 9 in person -- 6 pm

Upcoming PAC meetings – First Tuesday of the month at 6pm: May 7 AGM virtual, June 4 in person

Upcoming Committee meetings: Fun Fair Meeting - Monday March 11 at 7pm at the school

Fun Fair Friday May 3

Bridal Falls Waterslides Friday June 21

**School Calendar 2023-24:** First Day of School Sep 5. Last day for students June 27.

No school: Spring Break Mar 18-Apr 1, Apr 26, May 17, May 20