

Cedar Hill PAC – Annual General Meeting

Sept 11 2018

Open Meeting 7:02pm

Quorum established: Confirmed – see sign-in sheet (NL (President), Carter Giesbrecht (Principal), EE (Member at Large), CW (parent), Petra Eggert (VP), KS (parent), CP (parent), ASV (parent), RJ (Treasurer), TP (Member at Large), CDB (Secretary))

Welcome & Introductions

Call for Agenda Items – DRESS CODE

- Parent expressed concerns re: inappropriate dress for a school environment – how is that dealt with?
- Administration response: District has removed dress code. Very sensitive topic – dealt with if an issue comes up. District removed dress code because of human rights issue. Example: if interfere with school work (eg. Long flowy dress = tripping hazard in gym), likely only way would address. And would probably be addressed with an adult. Discussions surrounding appropriate dress to your family values should be at home.

PRINCIPAL's and VICE-PRINCIPAL MESSAGE

- 470 students (down approx. 30 from last year, lost a late French class)
- mid-low 20s students/class
- teaching teams: 7 (all teams but one have French-English mix) – teachers and students work together (could be French Second Language, might be gym)
- Pancake breakfast ended the first week (1500 pancakes) – served through the day
- Exploratories – rotations with teams of 3, including drama is for everyone as a fourth exploratory.
- Gaga ball pit – drew lines on the court. Backhoe now broken but tomorrow will lay the foundation.
- BBQ tomorrow night – serving hot dogs and meet teachers, see classrooms, etc
- Learning piece: inclusive and diverse school is a SD priority. Have learning support team with wide range of literacy, numeracy, behavioral, (etc.) support.
 - Learning lab breakout space, add'l learning space near music room, decorating (listening to kids) – bringing in resources that are needed.
 - Trip to Syracuse NY to an inclusion leadership institute. We as a School District are at least 25 yr ahead in terms of inclusion (especially in BC). Great to be a part of the conversation globally.
- School upgrade (possibility). School District (“SD”) put in 3 options (seismically upgrade building, seismically upgrade parts of existing building, new build). Price difference not hugely significant between a seismic upgrade and full replacement when operating expenses (and efficiencies created with new heating systems, etc) factored in but SD needs to fund difference

between what Ministry of Education will give for seismic upgrade and full replacement cost (this takes time and may involve partnerships with the community).

- Nov-Dec Ministry will confirm seismic funds, then SD will have to see if can fund **difference. Vic High and Shoreline are ahead of us in priority sequence.**

TREASURER'S REPORT

- Confirmation budget was passed in May 2018;
- Over summer a few things came out of both accounts – breakfast club, staff appreciation lunch (because end of school year), money kept being deposited by Thrifty's over the summer (still going), RJ has more cards to give out (incoming Grade 6 parents) – and reminder can still use existing cards.
- Gaming application went in in June, has been completed but haven't received funding (or letter confirming) this year. Probably around \$9000 deposited in October 2018.
- **NOTE for next Treasurer – gaming application needs to be submitted by June 30th**
- **Have 90 days from end of fiscal year to submit gaming report. Got submitted August.**
- We made a couple of changes at the May meeting – breakfast club came down from \$2500 to \$1500. Taken off line item for music funding, also decided not to give money for classroom allotment (teachers only got \$100/class – difficult to spend on non-academic things). Will find other ways to spend that money. Outdoor seating is still on there because we don't know what that will look like. Probably \$4000-ish.
 - Clarification – reduced breakfast club in the budget because of donations (also 3x per week, not 5, tea and bread donated, etc).
 - Principal – said we lost a grant this year for food (from President's choice) – so need \$2500
 - Also, we cut budget to music program because all of the funds from the Xmas market/fair go to the music program, so no funds coming from main PAC
- VOTE: put \$1,000 back into the breakfast club (and to be used for lunch) – future gaming funds we haven't received yet (what we have now). Change to breakfast lunch Nicole made motion, Catherine seconded motion – all in favour – MOTION PASSED. (\$2500 total)

BREAKFAST CLUB

- Didn't have it 16-17 year, came back 1718 three days/week - under the understanding the volunteers are coming back 1819.
- Open position – have volunteers set up, have bread coming, have enough hot chocolate, etc – Catherine Pickering will be the co-ordinator. Thanks, Catherine!
- Involved leadership kids in the morning. Ana Sofia can do Fridays. Catherine to put call out for volunteers (opportunity to expand to Tues/Thurs)

OLD BUSINESS

Bench installation

- PAC purchased a scooter rack and an outdoor bench that fits a class.
- Waiting for the gaga ball to be done so the bench isn't in the way

PAC NEWSLETTERS – good opportunity for reminders, fundraising, call for volunteers or donations. Came out quarterly (or so) – opportunity to take that on if anyone is interested. (eg: Thrifty's cards 5% of purchase)

NEW BUSINESS

(Budget done in May)

Executive Board Elections:

President – Catherine Du Bois acclaimed.

Vice President - OPEN

Secretary - OPEN

Treasurer – Kelly Shera acclaimed. Year-end final report, application for gaming grant. Approx 3 hr a month is the commitment.

Members at Large – Erica East, Corey Waugh, Tara Poilievre, Ana Sofia Villanueva

Close Meeting: 8:05pm

TBD:

- Catherine Picking co-ordinate with Joy Wickens (outgoing VP) to arrange Breakfast Club, get volunteers, arrange bread/hot chocolate. Look in servery
- Rebecca Jamin to pass Treasurer's information to Kelly Shera
- Rebecca Jamin, Catherine Du Bois and Kelly Shera to arrange a trip to Royal Bank for signing authority