



Don Christian Elementary PAC

Meeting Minutes

April 17, 2023

Hybrid Meeting

Call to order - 7:00 p.m.

- 1. Welcome & Introductions**
- 2. Approve Agenda – moved and approved**
- 3. Approve Minutes from Last Meeting (February 27, 2023) – moved and approved with no comments or edits**
- 4. Special Guest: Mr. Angeltvedt (Social Development Program)**
 - a. DC is one of 10 schools in Surrey with Social Dev Programs
 - b. Max 8 students allowed in program, one teacher/case manager (Mr. A) and one Child Care Worker (Cathy)
 - c. Goal of program is to improve on the social development of students, improve self-esteem, build peer connections, increase the amount of time they are able to spend in the classroom (without needing breaks/removals), understanding and following rules/expectations of the school/class, fill in gaps in their learning and enhance their academic standing
 - d. Require designation from district (H), room in the school for that student at that grade (meaning they can come from anywhere in the district)
 - e. Program is Voluntary for families to participate in and can leave if they want to return to catchment school or when they are done with needing the SD program (unless they want to stay)
 - f. Students can continue on at Earl Marriott and Tweedsmuir into their Social Connections Program
- 5. Ms. Shepherd's Update**
 - i. Upcoming events in the news letters
 - ii. Book Fair starts tomorrow and Librarian is sick so
VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR AFTERSCHOOL TIMESLOTS
 - iii. Talent Show upcoming
 - iv. Logo redesign – Brandon Gabriel contracted to update the logo with indigenous design
 - Survey coming out to parents regarding school values, colors and possible re-branding (stay wildcats etc.)

- v. Entitlement for next year is 17 divisions again with enrollment open for out of catchment FOLLOWING in catchment students first and district placement (ie: social development program)
- vi. Getting a Vice Principal next year; teaching .8 and admin .2 of their time
- vii. Library, music, counselling time will remain the same; learning support entitlement TBD
- viii. High likelihood of several combined classes across all/most grades
- ix. May newsletter will call for written requests from parents for specific learning needs for their child (not friend/teacher requests)
- x. Funding request: \$200 for board games for Child Care Worker to enhance social skills with peers – **\$200 moved and approved from gaming account**

6. Events:

a. Spring Book Fair (April 18-21)

- i. VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR AFTER SCHOOL SHIFTS – sign up sheet on PAC facebook page and in last newsletter
- ii. Funding request: Hot Seat Prizes - **\$250 moved and approved from gaming account**

b. Parents' Night Out (April 21)

- i. 34 or 36 tickets sold (2 were after deadline)
- ii. There will be a 50/50 draw but mostly intended to be a fun night out and a time for parents to relax and socialize, not work

7. PAC Committee Lead Updates:

a. Treasurer's Report – Angela

- i. Financials Reviewed for both Gaming (approx. \$34,000.00) and Chequing (approx. \$31,000.00) accounts; totals, incoming and outgoing expenses
- ii. Grade 7's have over \$4500.00 for their end of year activities
- iii. Bollywood being paid for half by Family Assistance Fund with Christine asking for full funding. If unable to cover full cost, PAC can cover the other half (previously discussed in February meeting)
- iv. Grade 5 Victoria Trip – previously approved \$250 to help with costs for that
- v. **Funding requests**
 - Staff Appreciation – **moved and approved \$250 for coffee and snacks from chequing account**
 - School-Wide Treat Day (Raffle Prize) – **moved and approved for up to \$1200 from gaming account** TBD on what that item will be

- Running Club Treats – **moved and approved \$100 from gaming account for freezies**

b. DPAC Rep – David

- i. DPAC meets next week and the agenda hasn't been released yet
- ii. Meeting held on Thursday to discuss SOGI 123 re: inclusivity of students of all sexual orientations and gender identities 7pm on zoom and the link will be posted on PAC Facebook page
- iii. BCCPAC membership – Provincial level PAC support – we have not paid our membership fees in some time. In order to vote (by proxy) in support of our DPAC we need to pay our fee – **moved and approved to pay the \$75 membership fee from gaming account**
- iv. Christine thinking about planning for a Zumba instructor or something booked for the first week of school next year to keep kids busy during class composition time

c. Fundraising

- Purdy's Easter Recap - \$183.00 raised
- Spring Raffle Recap - \$14,000.00 raised – 1 year to spend these funds
- Moving forward – Gaming Grants will need to be spent in two years (old money is grandfathered into three year timeframe)
- Spring Plants Recap - \$200 raised

d. Hot Lunch - Nitasha & Leah

- i. Next hot lunch on May 15th and then Boston Pizza on June 9th
- ii. If Sports Day is a full day – PAC will support a hot lunch option but not if it's a half day

e. Treat Days - Laine & Jenna

- i. Friday is ice cream sandwiches and then May 4th; May 25th and one more on June 15th

f. Fruit and Veggie - Nitasha & Leah

- i. Coming up Tuesday – Cucumbers and milk – shortage of soy milk; next time is cheese sticks (lactose free option) and milk

g. Gr. 7 Liaison – Estelle

- i. Fundraising has been successful but costs have gone up exponentially so leftover funds will not likely be leftover
- ii. Challenges with planning year end event due to split classes etc.
- iii. Yearbook is under way; dinner/dance being planned by sub-committee; Kona Ice being planned (hopefully) for yearbook signing day

8. Open Discussion

a. Sports Day

- i. Strong advocacy for Sports Day to be a full day; disappointment shared with last year being movies in the afternoon

- ii. Idea shared to book an instructor or some other kind of group activity for the afternoon
- iii. Possibility of one last Neufelds order – TBD on what the year end event will be and what the cost of that will be

b. 2023-24 Executive Planning

- i. David has completed his third year as DPAC representative so that position is up for renewal
- ii. Role of President will be open
- iii. We will need people in these roles and AGM is in June where we vote on that

9. Fun Fair – Erin

- a. Donation requests have been sent out
- b. Larger Rental options and Games Contract have been sorted out
- c. Two parents have stepped up for running specific events
- d. Prizes have been ordered for the games
- e. If people have a desire to solicit from or personal/friend/family businesses for Silent Auction donations
- f. Erin will be sending out expectations for Class Baskets collections for teachers for Christine to present at next Team Meeting along with power point Erin made on theme
- g. Volunteer schedule being worked on – Google Doc will be going on by end of week to register for ‘day of shifts’ to be signed up for
- h. Surrey Emergency Preparedness group will be coming to support in a H&S capacity to meet first aid or other requirements
- i. Soccer Shots will come and run group soccer activities in the back field
- j. COMMITTEE LEAD VOLUNTEERS NEEDED – concession; décor being the main areas of need – please help!!!!!!
 - i. Call will be going out on PAC Facebook for support
- k. **Volunteer needed to attend May DPAC meeting on May 24th**

10. Next Meeting Date – May 15, 2023

Adjourn Meeting at 8:45pm