BROOKLYN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL PAC MEETING MINUTES



Meeting Details			
Facilitator:	Jim Wright	Meeting Date:	Oct. 18, 2019
Secretary:	Lisa Urch	Meeting Place:	Multipurpose Room

Attendees

Present: Jim Wright, Lisa Urch, Brooke Finlayson, Claire Sage, Kandie Eschbaumer, Lori Nelsen, Charlotte Kelly, Gwen Elder, Lindsey Tobacca, Tomoko, Erica Black

Introductions and Call to Order

Call to order 9:05 am

Adoption of previous minutes

Brooke moved to adopt previous minutes, Charlie seconded, passed

Amending and Adoption of Agenda

Jim asked to add Constitution Update to agenda. Claire moved to adopt the agenda as amended, Brooke seconded, passed

Presentations

No presentations

Updates and Reports

Trustee Report:

- No trustee report

Admin Report: Erica Black -

- Erica addressed polling station concerns from parents for students. Voters will be restricted passage to the majority of school, only foyer, gym, washrooms nearest the gym (single stall units).
- Erica shared info on vaping and its high addictiveness and health concerns from a meeting she had with medical health officers of Island Health. Schools need some ways to educate students and parents on these concerns.
- Boundary catchment consultation is happening. Strongly encouraged to take survey sent from Comox Valley Schools. Your words matter!
- Inner Explorer a mindfulness program used in our district. Cheryl and Lucus Stiefvarer are asking for PACs to help fund. Currently know of 5 teachers in our school using it, Erica will talk to teachers to see who else in interested in it.
- Shared results from swimming lessons survey, 120 participated, 80% say yes to swimming lessons at some level. General idea is the grade 2-3 range, it is now to be organized with teachers.

Treasurer Report: Claire Sage

- Claire has taken over role of treasurer and is getting up to date on it. Gaming money has come through and will be allocated for class fieldtrips. \$7,100

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DPAC Report: Brooke Finlayson

- DPAC is considering hosting Kerri Isham (Sexual Health Educator from Nanaimo) offering a parent presentation on talking to kids about pornography, may ask PACs to offset the cost
- Dr. Claire is still contracted by SD for 4hrs/month to update resources and provide consultation to staff, focus this year is the highschool program
- We have an assigned public health nurse (Jessie Shannon), Brooke asked Erica if she is able to help teach sexual health, Erica says she can consult with teachers or parents but can't deliver lessons. It was suggested we invite her to a PAC meeting to present who she is and what she offers our school.
- Emergency preparedness schools are asked to check if they are prepared. Brooklyn seems up to date on this but will continue to do yearly checks

Old Business

Crosswalk update - we're putting together something for the town of Comox to stress the need for money to be put into making the crosswalk from Ridgemont across Guthrie safer, a lighted crosswalk or flashing speed sign. PAC has had some people watching the last few days noting safely issues and number of cars/people passing. Asking for any near miss stories you may have to add.

Water bottle filling station - is ordered and ready for installation

Selling fence - Jim has sold the fencing we had for \$1000

Donation to Parkcrest Elementary - Erica has cards that have been made from some students and Brooke will put the cheque in the mail for them from our PAC

New Business

Halloween Dance - Oct. 30th, Kandie has it well organized, some discussion on food, keep it simple - popcorn, cupcakes, pizza. A call out for volunteers to help will be made.

Popcorn Machine - we were thinking of purchasing a popcorn machine, but have been able to use one for the dance, will revisit after we see how that goes.

Election fundraiser - with Brooklyn being a polling station we will be selling coffee and doughnuts as a fundraiser. Jim is asking for \$250 for this. Brooke made a motion that we approve up to \$250 for spending on the election fundraiser, Clarie seconded, passed

Winter Market - We are once again doing a Winter Market for fundraising similar to last year. Kandie has started promoting and selling tables. She suggested that she may open it up for kid entrepreneurs. Lisa has offered to oversee Bakesale again, either as a fundraiser for grade 7's hornby trip or for the PAC. Hoping for a photobooth as well.

Constitution update - our constitution is in need of an update, PAC exec will look into this and will welcome help if anyone is interested.

Date of next meeting

Next meeting to be determined

Adjournment

Brooke motioned to adjourn, Claire seconded, passed