

Whiteside Parent Advisory Council (PAC)

Meeting Minutes

Date: Tuesday, January 16th, 2024.

Location: Zoom

Time: 6:30pm

Attendees:

Chris Ho (Social Media Coordinator)

Ken Loy (Co-Chair)

Sandeep Bhullar (Co - Chair)

Nona Navin (Vice Principal)

Erin Mah

Miriam Still

Karen Au (Hot Lunch Coordinator)

Carrie Vilorio (Secretary)

Marshalla Loland

Absents with Regrets:

Jaylene Sandhar (Treasurer)

Brett Cameron (Principal)

1. Welcome

Sandeep Bhullar called the meeting to order at 6:45pm.

Approval of November PAC meeting minutes. Ken Loy motioned to accept the November meeting minutes into record, seconded by Karen Au.

2. Administration Report – *PRINCIPAL REPORT WILL BE ATTACHED IN A SEPARATE DOCUMENT WITH THESE MINUTES.*

- a. There is a parent concert on Friday January 19th at 2pm. All parents are invited to come watch kids perform what they have learned from the Jess Dance Workshops.

3. PAC Executive updates

- a. PAC Social Media Coordinator is asking for feedback from parents regarding information parents want to see on the website. Please make suggestions using the PAC email (WhitesidePAC@hotmail.com) or contact Chris directly via Facebook.
 - i. Suggestion was made to have the PAC meeting minutes, agenda and financial reports posted on the website.
- b. Move Night Recap

Erin noted it was an average turn out of students, approx. 43 kids.

 - i. She expressed her appreciation to Brett for joining the event and his support during the evening and the PAC support.
 - ii. It was suggested that maybe PAC consider a Free movie night as a community event and raise money on concession and food.

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- iii. It was noted to consider costs associated to licensing fees for the movie.
Need to ask Jaylene if RDPA has billed for movies screenings and costs. Does PAC have the funds to cover this fee?
- c. Wolfwear Details – Nona will check in with the organizer and get back to the PAC.
- d. Vacant Positions – RDPA Rep, Fundraising Coordinator.

4. Treasurer Report

a. Financial Summary

The Financial summary was not reviewed as Jaylene Sandhar was **absent** from the meeting.

b. SEACAN – Quote \$5000

This container will be used for storage of tables and chairs, to better utilize indoor space for learning.

- i. PAC is willing to contribute to SEACAN costs. Quote for container is \$5000.
PAC wishes to further discuss the split of costs for vote at the next PAC meeting.
- ii. Suggestion put forth to have this container painted by the mural artist.

c. Mural for exterior of gym – Quote \$5000.

The school is asking if anyone has a favourite local muralist? Please send suggestions to the PAC – Whiteside@sd38bc.ca

d. School Hardship Fund - \$1500

Each year the PAC provides \$1500 for the school hardship fund. This money has been budgeted but not issued yet to the school. Sandeep will follow up with the school administration to receive a formal request for the funds.

e. Jess Dance Workshop - \$5000

PAC will cover the \$5000 cost of the Jess Dance workshops. \$4000 to be used from gaming funds. PAC voted to cover the additional \$1000 to be taken from the fine arts budget in order to cover full costs.

Sandeep motioned to approve the use of the additional \$1000 funds from the fine arts budget seconded by Erin Mah. PAC will request Jaylene to issue a cheque for \$5000 for Jess Dance for Friday January 19th.

f. Purchase of basketballs - \$1300

Sandeep motioned to approve \$1300 of funds from the gaming account for the purchase of basketballs. Ken Loy has seconded the motion.

g. Music equipment - \$500

Sandeep motioned to approve the \$500 funds from the gaming account for music equipment. Chris Ho seconded the motion.

h. Rock and Roll Workshop

Nona will confirm if this event is scheduled for this year and provide details to PAC.

i. PAC General Account

PAC is requesting parent's ideas of how to spend PAC funds from the General Account.

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- i. Suggestions - Picnic tables for kids or benches, outdoor garden, outdoor learning space.
- ii. Richmond District is holding previously fundraised items that may be considered.

5. Hot Lunch

- a. Recently added to Munch a Lunch is hot lunch donations. Parents can make a \$2, \$5, \$10 donation. We have had great support with donations so far. Thank you, Whiteside Parents!
- b. 12-15 children receive daily lunch support.
- c. To organize the use of funds collected, it has been suggested that school administration place the lunch orders on behalf of the families into Munch a Lunch. The school is willing to try this approach for January hot lunch and will provide feedback.
- d. Parent Volunteers are needed for January 26th hot lunch. Please contact Karen Au if you are available or anyone on the PAC.
- e. School District will be providing a fridge. Nona to ask for details and follow up with PAC.
- f. Hot lunch orders seem low, PAC will request to have the school administration send out a reminder for HOT LUNCH for January and February.

6. Open Floor / Question & Comments

- a. Erin Mah offered her congratulations for the execution of the family photo night. Suggestion to run in the Spring again.
- b. 12' mixed hanging baskets available for selling around Mother's Day, cost about \$21.00 (to be confirmed). Order cut off and pick up details to be confirmed asap.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:20 pm.

Next PAC meeting is scheduled for February 20th @ 6:45pm. Meetings are scheduled for every third Tuesday of every month.