

MEETING MINUTES

Whiteside Parent Advisory Council (PAC)

Date: April 20th, 2021

Location: Zoom

Time: 6:30 pm

Attendees: Diana Redman-Robbins (Co-Chair), Erin Mah (Secretary), Jaylene Sandhar (Treasurer), Brandi Snow, CC Chang, Brenda Geib,

Regrets: Priya Chowla (Co-Chair), Sandeep Bhullar (Fundraising Coordinator)

1. **Welcome** - Diana, Co-Chair

2. **Introductions** - Diana

3. **Review and approval of February Minutes** -

- **Motion:** Motion to approve February minutes.

Moved: Brandi, Seconded: CC. **Motion carried.**

4. **School Administrator's Report** - Rachael Corneil, Principal; Sarah Grant, Vice Principal

- Lost a few families that had just come back to in classroom learning after the most recent exposures. We are hoping they can come back as it's been a long time since those students were in school. Our health protocols are really good and this has helped us not have any outbreaks within the school.
- Dance program running right now. All classes are involved and instructors are doing it from home. It's going well and the kids are enjoying it. Elevate frisbee is also coming up soon. These programs are helping us find ways to keep students engaged despite the current health environment.
- Grade 7 end of year has been put on hold. It's unfortunate but there isn't a way to run it safely or to have it outside.
- Grade 6 and 7 students all recently did the speech contest (Concours) and some will be presented at the Zoombly on Friday.
- Seismic upgrade committee has been walking through the school looking at what else they can do to upgrade and beautify the school. They don't just want to do what is necessary but also other things to make the school look nice. As far as the outdoor classroom they have

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approved for us to buy the parts for it (i.e. shed, wood, rocks) and once the upgrades are done they will build the classroom. PAC money will go towards a shed for the space.

5. PAC Exec Reports

Co Chair (Diana):

- Saleema Noon was \$200 more than originally planned and we need to vote to approve the extra expenditure.

Motion: To approve extra funds.

Moved: Brandi; Seconded: CC. **Motion carried.**

- Can we do freezie sales this year? Rachael and Sarah think it's possible and we can work out a way to do it safely. We can talk it through and make a plan. Diana will discuss with Rachael.
- Looking for new PAC Exec for next year: All positions are open but Co-Chair and Secretary specifically. Anyone interested can read about the roles on the PAC website. If parents would like to volunteer they can email Rachael and identify what they are interested in.
- McRoberts Scholarships: Still have time to put them forward for this year. Also the students from last year would like to claim their scholarships.

Secretary (Erin): Nothing to add.

6. Treasurer Report - Jaylene, Treasurer

- Not many changes. Some late revenue for Wolf Wear orders at Christmas was deposited.
- Set aside the \$2000 for the outdoor classroom.
- Cheque ready for Saleema Noon.
- Need a formal request for the Dance program and we will issue the cheque.
- Gaming Grant request has been put forward for this year.

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- Refunds for last year's hot lunch program still need to be issued. Jaylene will wait until Wolf wear has closed to see if any of the credits are used by families to purchase clothing. Once it's finalized the PAC will contact the remaining families and offer refunds.

7. **Fundraising** - Diana for Sandeep, Fundraising Coordinator

- Wolf Wear sales closed this weekend. Sales were roughly \$2300.
- Can we do Kernels popcorn sales after school? We'll have to discuss the possibility with Rachael and Sarah as it will have the same requirements as Freezies.
- On the Go First Aid Babysitting Course and Safe at Home Course: Courses are online. We just need to send out the information to parents and they can register at home. We would earn \$8 per child. We will ask Sandeep to move forward on it.

8. **Hot lunch** - Diana, Hot lunch Coordinator

- No update.

9. **RDPA** - Diana, RDPA Representative

- Meeting was at the beginning of April. 2200 kids still in transitional learning in the district and no discussion about what will happen next year.

10. **Other:**

- Outdoor classroom: Rachael will purchase a shed with funds from the PAC and will submit a receipt for the \$2000 we have set aside.

<p><u>Next PAC Meeting:</u> May 19th, 2021</p>
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