

## **ACSS General PAC Meeting Minutes**

### **Jan 25, 2021 @ 7:00PM**

**Attendance:** Wendy A., Laura F., Andrew H., Cathi H., Kazuko K., Rachel R., Adeana Z.

**Guests:** Mike Palichuk – Principal, Greg Kilvert – Vice Principal, Stephanie Eby – Community School Coordinator

**Call to Order:** 7:02pm

**Land Acknowledgment:** We would like to acknowledge that our school and meeting are on the unceded traditional territory of the Matsqui, Katzie, Kwantlen, and Semiahmoo First Nations.

**Approval of Agenda** with amendments: Motion: Rachel; Second: Wendy

**Approval of Minutes:** Nov 23, 2020 General Meeting– Motion: Rachel; Second: Wendy

**GUEST SPEAKER:** Stephanie Eby – Community School Coordinator

- Started in late November, works out of ACSS but is involved with all four Aldergrove schools
- One of her roles is to help connect families with resources in the community
- Currently running a virtual cooking program in partnership with LEPS
- Has created a newsletter and Facebook page. Parents can connect with her through email at [SEby@sd35.bc.ca](mailto:SEby@sd35.bc.ca)

#### **PRINCIPAL'S REPORT:**

- Introduced Mr. Kilvert who is our second VP at ACSS – Mr. Kilvert is excited to be at ACSS, he comes from Betty Gilbert Middle School where he has taught grade 8 for the last few years
- Mr. Palichuk has years of administration to his credit most recently being VP at Langley Senior Secondary
- 2<sup>nd</sup> COVID-19 Early Notification letter since coming back from Winter break was sent out today
- Lots of changes with admin for the start of the year, please be patient as everyone gets to know the school
- Course planning is coming up in February for September
- Grade 10 Numeracy and Literacy Assessments are taking place this week, any grade 11's or 12's that haven't taken it yet will be taking it this week along with any grade 10's that are taking math or literacy this quarter
- Youth in Trades orientation took place virtually last week. Have 38 students enrolled in the three programs at ACSS. Approximately half are current ACSS students and half are students coming from other schools
- Feb 1<sup>st</sup> is the last day of quarter 2, there will be no school for grades 9 – 12 students on Feb 2<sup>nd</sup>, Feb 3<sup>rd</sup> will be the start of quarter 3, students and staff have been adapting well with all the changes this year
- Grade 6 expos from BGMS will start on Feb 2<sup>nd</sup>

#### **EXECUTIVE REPORTS:**

**President: Wendy Alvaro**

- Nothing to report

**Secretary: Cathi Hiscock**

- Nothing to report

**Treasurer: Rachel Ramsey**

- Bank balances:
  - Main: \$11,380.72 (this total includes GIC's that have been rolled over into the account from previous grad classes and are earmarked for the purchase of a new bus)
  - Gaming \$27,413.00

**DPAC: Wendy Alvaro**

- Feb 22<sup>nd</sup> will be the start of Diversity & Respect Week
- DPAC has been working on amendments to their bylaws & constitution, proposed changes can be viewed on the DPAC website, changes to be voted on at the next DPAC meeting
- District has received funding that is being put towards out classrooms in multiple elementary and middle schools, suggested school admin ask if our school could be consider for some of the funds for our outdoor spaces
- Reminder that DPAC allots \$50.00/per parent (\$100.00/household) per year for parenting workshops and seminars (pay in advance and submit to DPAC for reimbursement)

#### **OLD BUSINESS:**

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#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

- New funding requests from counselling & careers:  
Motioned by Wendy to spend up to \$1100.00 from gaming on funding requests from careers and counseling; seconded by Cathi – CARRIED
- A parent asked who organizes dry grad. Admin said they cannot organize it as it's not a school event but may be able to offer some help. It was mentioned previous years dry grads were held at Castle Fun Park. The parent was going to call to see if they could get some more details.

**Next meeting date: Monday, February 22nd @ 7pm via Zoom**

**Meeting Adjourned: 7:56pm**