Minutes - Coghlan PAC Meeting

Date: Monday February 27, 2023, via Skype due to snow

Meeting called to order: 7:03 pm by Costas

In Attendance: Mr. Joo, Mrs. Laycock, Costas, Melissa, Faria, Natasha, Serenna, Michelle, Karyn, Ivonne, Qiongqiu Luo, Teresa, Trisha, Christina, Brenda, 2 guest logins.

Quorum: Quorum was declared.

Adoption of Minutes: Adopted By: Ivonne Seconded By: Michelle Adoption of Agenda: Adopted By: Ivonne Seconded By: Michelle

Welcome:

Costas welcomed online asks for introductions.

New Business: meeting lead by Costas

- 1) <u>Year Book Update</u>- Faria discussed the covers and submission deadline March 29th. Will see Mrs. Laycock regarding dates for sales.
- 2) <u>Heart Tree</u> Michelle discussed how Indigo was down but still had books coming in. The site will stay up until the end of next week.
- 3) <u>Fun Fair</u> Christina needs volunteers to form a committee. Rentals, food and date needs to be figured. Possible dates May 4 or May 25 and no PAC meeting in March.
- 4) Pub Night Michelle to look into the possibility
- 5) <u>Freezie sale</u> for Grade 7's Serenna asked to have this March 10th after school
- 6) Egg Hatching Costas motions for a vote for \$225.00 to come out of classroom presentation funds for the Kindergarten teachers to have egg hatching in their classrooms

VOTE:

Motion to give \$225.00 for classroom egg hatching to the Kindergarten teachers.

All in favor 10 Yes 0 No

7) Costas - Mr. Moino will be back to the May PAC meeting. Also elections will need to happen then. Nominations for next year can be made prior to meeting. Letter to go home now to families with positions.

- 8) Mrs. Laycock Incoming kindergarten parent meeting with PAC would help get involvement up.
- 9) <u>Costas-</u> Brittany passed along some information on summer camps sent to her, Costa's was wondering if people want them posted? Some are free, others cost money and PAC isn't wanting to promote these particular camps but offer awareness and opportunity for those interested in them.
- 10) <u>Serenna-</u> Wants to know if more field trips can happen as have in the past. Possibly skating? The students have done many different activities in the past –snow shoeing, theater productions, other school musicals, science world, apple barn, Victoria, Me to We event in Vancouver, Fort Langley museum, The Fort, Campbell Valley Park- and post covid, was hoping to see some return again.

Treasurer's Report: Natasha's Update:

- 1) General account looks high because fun food hasn't come out.
- 2) We need to get gaming funds up and fundraising dollars to come in.
- 3) Possible movie nights, pub night, to increase funds.
- 4) Teachers still have money to spend.
- 5) Need to get more people involved in fundraising ideas from the past that have raised funds well are movie nights, raffle, fun fair

a. General Account: \$ 43,012.14
b. Gaming Account: \$ 3,440.87
c. Grade 7 Account: \$ 1,481.19

Principal's Report: Mr. Joo's Update

- 1) Affordability fund of \$6,750 has been extended to 2023-2024 school year.
- 2) Design and Assessment Day- Survey done indicated 75 % of students had good sense of peer belonging, 19% medium sense of belonging and 6 % low connection to peers and community.
 - -staff brainstormed and came up with create lunch club ideas. possible directed drawing, or Lego type clubs.
 - -our school is small and with small communities creates a close group of kids, families and staff but also can be hard for those who don't maybe connect or aren't connected through outside means like sports, teams, clubs, neighborhoods. We are all out of catchment and that means our community works a bit differently than catchment schools.

^{*}Note this balance includes \$11,585.76 for Hot lunch Jan-June 2023

-we also have split classes which can cause some complexities when a small number of kids is separated into a different room. Peer connection time with grade groups could help with this.

- 3) District moving towards growth plan model for teachers. This is a teacher goal minded initiative and focusses on 5 areas.
- 3) 2nd School wide write happening reflecting on the social emotional piece.
- 4) Mr. Joo thanked school and PAC for the guided reading and decodable reading books

DPAC Report: Serenna's update from Feb, 2023

Online via TEAMS

- 1) See attached post for meeting minutes and DPAC Vote details
- 2) Serenna put forth motion to vote for Noel Booth Pac to follow up with district in regards to concerns about SEA funding and allocation of funds to Langley school district. The concerns voting are noted below: Motion for Langley DPAC to write a letter to the Langley School District requesting clarity and understanding on the following:
 - 1. Statistical data and report through budget as to how they disperse and/or allocate the funds they receive from the Ministry of Education and Jordan's Principle (if applicable) for students with designations/diagnosis or Neurodiverse Learners to schools within the district to pay for Education Assistants (EA's) and Resource Teachers, including what is moved into contingency funds;
 - 2. Rationale/criteria as to how many educational assistants' schools will receive based on the number of designations within each school and need of student(s);

The RATIONALE for this vote is: We understand from our families at our school and neighboring schools, that there are many students who are not receiving support by means of Education Assistants and/or Resource Teachers in the classrooms due to lack of funding from the district. The shortage in our classrooms affects the mental health and education of our children and staff. On average we believe there is 1-3 children per class who bring in extra funds with their designations to the school district yet these funds are not shown in the staffing to support the children and teachers. At our school we have 6 EAs all of which are 1:1 support for medically fragile students; this leaves the estimated 50 children unsupported.

Serenna puts forth motion for our PAC to vote for or against supporting the letter to the Langley School District from DPAC, in support of Noel Booth's PAC and the request for more information on this matter.

VOTE:

12 Vote Yes in Favor 0 Vote NO

Fundraising Report: Kirsten will update next meeting.

Meeting Adjourned: Online and in our library at 8:51 pm.