

# **Coghlan PAC Meeting**

**Date:** Thursday January 26, 2023, held in library and via ZOOM

**Meeting called to order:** 7:02 pm by Costas

**In Attendance:** Mr. Joo, Mrs. Laycock, Marcello Moino, Costas Blachuras, Kirsten Pryor, Trisha Tidball, Jenn Bradley, Serenna Frans, Michelle DeRossi, Karyn Smith, Christina Grant, Natasha Unruh, Nicole Tortora, Ivonne Sinclair, Kelly Olson, Brenda Savage

**Quorum:** Quorum was declared.

**Adoption of Minutes:** Adopted By: Ivonne Seconded By: Kelly

**Adoption of Agenda:** Adopted By: Serenna Seconded By: Kirsten

**Welcome:**

Costas welcomed all in person and online.

**Treasurer's Report:** Natasha's Update:

- 1) Amended craft fair profits mentioned at the last meeting. Profits are \$3480.36 for the general account and \$870.00 towards the gaming account.
- 2) Art Starts performance costs have come out of account -\$2395.00.
- 3) Gaming account needs funds/fundraising to pay for all that is budgeted to come out of the account.
- 4) To cover all new books for guided reading, decodables, and library, more fundraising needed.
- 5) Will vote on some library funds and guided reading funds to go towards the school tonight.
- 6) Fundraising profits so far this year are \$7398.00

**General Account:** \$ 33,476.65

**Gaming Account:** \$ 3,788.87

**Grade 7 Account:** \$ 1,185.25

## **New Business:** meeting lead by Costas

- 1) Costas motioned to vote to allocate library funds to Mrs. Conway.

Karyn adopted the motion, Serenna seconded it.

### **MOTION PUT FORTH:**

Motion to allocate \$1000.00 from the general PAC account, for Mrs. Conway to purchase new books for the library.

**VOTE: All in Favour**

**12 Yes/ 0 No**

- 2) Costas put forth a second motion to vote. The purchase of \$5000 of books necessary for decoding skills and guided reading programs overseen by Mr. Joo.

Karyn adopted the motion, Ivonne seconded it.

### **MOTION PUT FORTH:**

Motion to allocate \$5000.00 from the general PAC account to be used for the purchase of guided reading and decodable resources.

**VOTE: All in Favour**

**12 Yes/ 0 No**

- 3) Jenn Bradley asked if we could do a "giving tree" for specific books for the library with the help of Mrs. Conway. Michelle will take on this project.
- 4) Mel asked Costas to mention March 6-10 Scholastic Book Fair will happen. Very much need volunteers as some spots have gone unfulfilled in the past.
- 5) Costas would like to amend the PAC Constitution. Would like to address the meeting times. 6.1.3 in our PAC constitution currently says 50 percent of monthly meetings to be held in the day, and 50 percent to be held at night, he would like to change this.

Serenna adopted the motion, Seconded by Kelly.

### **MOTION PUT FORTH:**

Motion to amend our PAC constitution 6.1.3 to not include a specific time monthly meetings are to be held and instead, state they are to be held at times set at the discretion of the current executive PAC.

**VOTE: All in Favour**

**12 Yes/ 0 No**

- 6) Costas would also like amend the constitution to take Past-President off as an executive PAC position.

Karyn adopted this motion, Kelly seconded it

### **MOTION PUT FORTH:**

Motion to amend section 8.1 of our PAC Constitution to remove Past-President as an executive officer of the PAC.

**VOTE: All in Favour**

**12 Yes/ 0 No**

## **Special Guest:** District Assistant Superintendent Marcello Moino

- 1) Came to open discussion, not make any decisions, but to connect with Coghlan families, as he's doing with other schools in the district, to provide feedback to the Board on the current Motions being reviewed.
- 2) Discussion around possible middle school transition for all DW Poppy feeder schools is still on the table however they are looking at creative solutions- a question around this is how to make elementary schools that are gr k-7 have a "middle school like experience" for the 6/7's while still being in a k-7 not a middle school.
- 3) Discussion specifically regarding Coghlan- Reviewing Coghlan as it should align with middle school model and other Langley Fundamental school yet is a k-7 with a strong connection to Poppy- there is no easy answers to this issue and just looking for feedback at this time.
- 4) Asked PAC for conversation around 3 questions – the motion to find alignment with the fundamental system and what that means, how do we align with other choice programs? how does DW Poppy fit into the Coghlan equation?

Any questions, concerns or feedback around any of Mr. Moino's discussions with the PAC are best directed to Mr. Joo for clarification or Mr. Moino, as the discussion was lengthy. At this time, Mr. Moino is interested in understanding the dynamic of Coghlan, and providing feedback to the Board. He will continue to create opportunities for dialogue and transparency regarding this motion.

## **Principal's Report:** Mr. Joo's Update

- 1) Our school is continuing to focus on the academic, social and emotional pieces of learning and our school community.
- 2) Affordability fund of \$6,750 is a onetime amount available to be dispersed to our school families who may be struggling a little more than usual. **It will expire** May 31<sup>st</sup>, of this year and needs to be used. So if anyone is in any need of support, or knows of a family who may be, please connect with Mr. Joo, a PAC member, staff, or even anonymously let someone know. The money is meant for our school community and can be very privately used to support these needs. Our school will also look at providing the fund to another school if the funds are not being accessed, instead of returning it to the Ministry.

## **DPAC Report:** Serenna's update from January 19<sup>th</sup>, 2023, 7 pm

Online via TEAMS

- 1) Parent Ed presentation – School Liaison Officer Program: \* Proactive Programs
  - a. Relationship and Connection
  - b. Regular Interaction
  - c. External Work with LYFS, Restorative Action, Foundry
  - d. Critical Incident
  - e. Student and Family Support
  - f. Prevention and Education
  - g. School-based Community Events

## DPAC Report Continued:

Each School has a Liaison Officer assigned to them – they are hoping to be able to get out to each school and introduce themselves. If we do not know who our Liaison officer, we should find out. Invite our Liaison Officer out to our school community events have him/her involved so our students can build trust and a relationship.

- 2) Report: Trustee Ward filling in for Joel Neufeld. He shared that the new council is a great team and one that is showing interest with SD #35. The Trustees and council both agree that the focus in education is the benefit of the student and “Every Child Matters”.
- 3) Superintendent Report – Mal Gill, SD 35 Superintendent: The District is short TTOC’s and this is why they are looking at hiring Non-enrolling teachers to help fill these. Currently, Administration and non-enrolling teachers are being used to cover classes. If they choose to do this then he would limit this to about 10 hires to see if this is a good way to support Teachers, Students and families. These hires would only be term positions and not able to apply for full time positions. There is still discussions to be had before the final decision is made.  
He also shared the good news about the LTA regarding no job action.
- 4) New Business
  - A) DPAC Parent Ed Upcoming Event:
    - a. Parents/guardians are invited to an information meeting on Tues. January 31 at 7PM to learn more about Admin Procedure 356. Read more on the District website and register to attend: [#MySD35Community](http://ow.ly/kEgL50LZZtL)
    - b. Feb 23 – Inclusion with Michael Morgan
    - c. April 13th – Tiana Sharifi – Let’s Talk Youth: Sexual Exploitation Education
- 5) President’s Report – Alicia Rempel: Langley DPAC will be **looking for a new DPAC President in May for next year**. If you know of anyone who would be interested they can contact Alicia anytime with their inquiries. Please pass this onto all Langley Parents.
- 6) Next DPAC meeting: February 16<sup>th</sup>, 2023, in person at the SD #35 school board office.

**Fundraising Report:** Kirsten will update next meeting.

**Meeting Adjourned:** Online and in our library at 9:19 pm.