

Chief Maquinna Elementary School - Parent Advisory Council – Minutes

-- 5:30-6:30 pm – Virtual Meeting

1. Standing items

1.1 Call to order at 5:35 by Scott

1.2 Motion to accept Aprils minutes made by Deanna, seconded by Tina

-No objections

-No abstentions

1.3 Motion to accept meeting agenda made by Judy, seconded by Deanna

-No objections

-No abstentions

1.4 Attendance- 10 present

Scott Kaminski, Tina Kaminski, Deanna Kadatz, Ryan Theobald, Bruce Sallee, Yuly Lau, Judy Stoyko, Winnie Ng, Adrijana Kokic, Dinna Pineda

2. Principal Update

2.1 Thank you to the PAC for the contribution to the swings. May need to reconfigure the vision for the swings, due to requirements and space restraints.

2.2 Mini Sports days: Being left to the individual teachers on whether or not they want to do it within the tight rules given by the school board. Some classes may have one and some may not.

2.3 2021/22 school year news: Enrollment at 182, down 11/12 from this year and about 40 from last. This decrease has been predicted, with next year being the lowest and then increasing from there. Only 8 divisions needed, meaning some staffing and classroom changes. Good news for next year is we have been given 2 more education assistants, on top of the 4 we currently have.

2.4. School Schedule for 2021/22: Start at 9am, recess at 10:50-11:10, lunch 12:05-12:55. End time of 3:03. First day of school is Wednesday Sept 8th, 2021

2.5 Move to Maquinna: Anticipating a spring move back, anywhere between now to June 30th. Should be given about a two week notice of this. All new furniture is already being moved in, then they would start a gradual move out, then the big move later.

2.6 Q) Any knowledge around the vaccinations for 12+? No, Bruce has not heard anything of that for BC.

3. Outdoor Space Report

3.1 waiting for VSB grounds to approve drawings and revisions, as well as some comments to add such as adding more picnic benches

3.2 working on cost estimates, including the grant submissions. Plan is to chip away at the cost as we go.

3.3 Composite planters from wishbone have been donated for the outdoor space. Distance between planters, being accessible from all sides, needs to be respected

4. Officers reports

4.1 Treasurers Report: Chequings: \$13248.00. Two cheques to be taken out: Spirit wear and then \$10,000 for swings. Savings: \$10,188, Gaming: \$4,240 this will transfer over to Chequings to cover some of swing set cheque

Still working on gaining access to the gaming account by figuring out whose names are on it at this time, and then having that changed to reflect the current PAC.

4.2 Fundraising report: Online raffle, one company says it is only accessible for groups aiming to raise over \$20,000, one company says it doesn't matter. Timeframe for running this is very tight at this point. It takes about 2-3 weeks for approval and getting it set up, leaving only a week or two to host. Bingo night: May not have the level of interest necessary to generate the desired revenue.

-Decision made to postpone an event until Sept/Oct to allow for more time to generate the necessary donations to run one. But continue with the efforts to do that now.

-Hot lunches for next year? Depends on covid restrictions at that time.

4.3 DPAC Report Next meeting on Thursday May 27th. Previous meeting was mostly focused on Earth day, not a lot of announcements.

-There has been further discussions around the facilities. Vic, the head of DPAC facilities dept, spoke as independent in front of VSB to complain about the process being used for seismic upgrading being driven by lowest cost and not lowest overall cost.

5. Other

5.1 Update on the inside of school. Bathrooms upstairs at the back of the school are brand new. Pipes have been replaced from street to building. New water fountains everywhere, but will not work when we return, due to covid restrictions. Preserved the giant Maquinna mural, and has a new background.

5.2 Legacy Tree: VSB has approved a tree purchase by Maquinna for Seymour. Can not be installed until early Oct. The cost of this will come out of the schools budget, with the PAC reimbursing that.

6. Future Meeting

6.1 Tuesday June 15th, 2021, 5:30-6:30, online

6.2 AGM meeting to be done in September.