



## Beaconsfield PAC MINUTES Tues, December 12, 2023

*The purpose of the Council is to support, encourage and improve the quality of education and well being of students at Lord Beaconsfield Elementary School.*

The Beaconsfield community humbly acknowledges that the land on which we live and learn is the traditional, unceded territories of the xʷməθkʷəy̓əm (Musqueam), Skwxwú7mesh (Squamish), and Səl'ílwətaʔ/Selilwitulh (Tsleil-Waututh) Nations.

7 ATTENDEES: Principal Tony Romano, Rose Ngo, Aaron Neibel, Mike Christian, Cristina Bittante, Melissa Baker, Tim Bottomer

1. Begin Meeting: 6:30pm
2. Welcome and Acknowledgement
  - November Minutes Approved

### 3. PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE – Mr. Tony Romano

- Final Choir Performance of the year will be Monday December 18<sup>th</sup> at 3:30
- Bollywood dance performance on December 20<sup>th</sup>. Advised that the cost is \$3,000 which includes 3 days of training. Will re-evaluate if they will do the performance next year.
- Winter sing along is scheduled for next week, December 18, 22.
- Provided accolades to the PAC for the great job on the pancake breakfast
- The market in the gym was a success and raised over \$500 towards the Covenant House
- Reminded to check the school website for closures
- A library volunteer is needed to stock shelves, Ashley would be grateful for any help she could get. The volunteer could help on one or more of the following Tues/Wed/Thurs during school hours.
- The current budget has enough to support both the music and gym teacher. There is an interest in bringing the music teachers back but they are very difficult to find.
- Ms. Ikeda is back, the goal is to back full time once medical is cleared.
- Currently have 31 Kindergarten Registration

### 4. BUDGET REPORT - Rose Ngo

	December	January	February
Current Balance	\$4,760		
Period Expenses	\$4,384		

- There was a mistake made on the gaming grant application with regards to timing of the application. Applied at the end of Sep/Oct. The \$4,000 gaming grant has been denied.
- Update on funds in the PAC GIC account, total \$20,000 (2 @ 10,000). Maturity date for one is April 2024 and the second in July 2024
- Currently looking at the Canada Post Grant.
- Tim asked that a new cash policy be implemented for the handling of petty cash. All agreed.



- **RECAP OF CURRENT FUNDRAISERS:**

- Apples (Carey) - \$914 to be deposited when chq received, Carey happy to run this again next year, huge success and well run
- Growing Smiles (Jen) - up and running - Jen will need volunteers for help distributing on Dec 12<sup>th</sup>. Will raise approximately \$200
- Purdys (April & Alexis) - Christmas and Easter - Nov 15-25th, Dec 12th chocolate orders will be delivered by Purdy's to school.
- WestCoast Seeds in new year (Jen) - usually comes out in January for distribution Feb.
- TruEarth - changing platforms— (Kathy) - will look into resetting to new platform.
- Mabel's Labels (Kathy) - ongoing... will look at spreading the word a little more, especially with Kindergartener parents.

**5. COMMUNICATIONS UPDATE - Melissa Baker**

- Still need to find creative ways to get the message out there about meetings, and fundraisers, etc
- Class Parent still working well for many classes
- DPAC - meetings once a month — Kathy to look at the PAC email for more information and we will see who is able to attend the meetings (either take turns going, or have a parent be our "DPAC REP" for the year).
- Jen W. has been researching grants and advised that COSTCO, SUPERSTORE both have grant applications online
- We should be able to use a common Charity number from our DPAC to use for such purposes - Kathy will investigate this
- Choir registration went out on Friday for an 8 week session (Jan to Mar). The minimum number required is 11.

**6. CHOIR - Kathy**

- Interest in Winter Term? YES! Term is short, choir would start the week of January 15 and the last rehearsal would be on the week of March 4. This makes for an 8-week choir session.
- Kathy will advise VEMS that we are interested in continuing. Tony has approved that space would be available for Jr. Choir again, and will check with sports programs if Senior can run again. We suspect Junior choir would run, but not sure about Senior Choir

**7. PANCAKE BREAKFAST - FRIDAY DECEMBER 8TH**

- Overall the breakfast was a huge success
- Next year will need another grill or start earlier so there is less of a wait



## **8. WINTER WONDERLAND CAFE**

- Date of Performance: Wednesday Dec 20th (time tbd)
- Crafted items for sale (donated), will make some ornaments.
- There are some auction items, will keep them limited this year
- Gaming licence in place for the 50/50 draw

## **9. EXECUTIVE POSITIONS**

- Mike Christian volunteered to be co-secretary
- Treasurer needed for next year as Rose is stepping down
- Also looking at a DONATIONS COMMITTEE to be looking into donations and grants, etc

Next Meeting: Tuesday, January 16, 2024