

MacCorkindale Elementary School
Parent Advisory Committee (PAC)
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PAC MEETING MINUTES

May 19, 2021 6:00pm to 7:00pm

- 1) **Land Acknowledgement:** We acknowledge that we live, work & play on the unceded territories of the Musquem, Squamish and Tseil-Waututh Nations.
- 2) **Attendance:** Yvonne Chan, Felicia Poon, Jim Munk, Laura Carle, Olivia Yeung, Benita Fong, Jennifer Wineberg, Annie Heslup, Beau & Barb, +1
- 3) **Approval of the Agenda**
- 4) **Principal's Report – Jim Munk**
 - a. Health & Safety
 - i. Impressed with engineering staff – Ken & Tony great about being on top of cleaning everything
 - ii. Vancouver Coastal Health determines who gets called as a contact
 - iii. Last exposure, emails had to go out to the entire school community
 - iv. Staff is being vaccinated – not able to know exactly what percentage is vaccinated since it is a personal decision
 - v. Teachers are very adamant with wearing masks & washing/hand sanitizing in their classes
 - vi. Impressed with all staff
 - b. Organization
 - i. Staff meeting: 11 divisions next year – one less kindergarten class
 - ii. Will have to surplus a couple of staff
 - iii. Area A will have 3 classes instead of 4
 - c. PAC Budget
 - i. Literacy program has been discussed
 - ii. Ms Li grade 7 grad preparations have ideas
 - d. Sports Day with their Cohorts will happen this year!
 - i. Different days, different times to maintain social distance
- 5) **Teacher's Report – Laura Carle**
 - a. Happenings at the School
 - i. Freezies – 72 per class, free for the kids, can hand out as teacher sees fit
 - ii. Friday was picture day, no retakes – went well

- iii. All staff member that wants a vaccination, has now received their first vaccination
- b. Slideshow Presentation!
 - i. Division 1 – wrote Odes (dirt, BTS, pen, ...)
 - ii. Division 2 – graphic art
 - iii. Division 3 – black history month
 - iv. Division 4 – pastel flower art
 - v. Division 5 – pastel flower art
 - vi. Division 6 – passion projects
 - vii. Division 7 – spring art (daffodil drawings)
 - viii. Division 8 – market (learning about money)proceeds to children’s hospital
 - ix. Division 9 – building a community
 - x. Division 10 – building projects with cardboard & tools (no tape or glue)
 - xi. Division 11 – Don’t Let the Pigeon...
 - xii. Division 12 – bingo outdoors

6) Resource Materials for Home Reading & Guided Reading

- a. Ms Ma requests additional books
- b. Requested \$1052.74
- c. Will relook at this request in September as PAC has already contributed quite a bit of funds this year for books.

7) Indigenous Enhanced Workers Drum Workshop

- a. Ms Milevskaia Grade 6 class will be taught how to make drums
- b. Request for PAC funds
- c. Will conduct a vote to contribute \$400 from the gaming fund

8) Sewing Materials

- a. Ms Jeffery
- b. Request for PAC funds
- c. Will conduct a vote to contribute \$100 from the gaming fund

9) Treasurer’s Report (as of May 8, 2021)

- a. Changes from last report are due to checks that have now cleared
- b. No new spending of funds

General Account	\$ 7,721.35
Gaming Account	\$ 3,113.00
School Account	\$ 2,309.86
TOTAL	\$ 13,144.21

10) Budget Update

General Account		Gaming Account	
Fixed Costs		Fixed Costs	
Classroom Allowances <i>Paid Oct 2020</i>	\$ 3,000.00	Killarney scholarship <i>Paid April 2021, \$300/student *2 students</i>	\$ 600.00
Resource Teacher Allowances <i>Paid Oct 2020</i>	\$ 100.00	Grade 7 transition <i>Pending, \$20/student *41 students</i>	\$ 820.00
Year-End Appreciation Lunch for Teachers 2020 <i>Paid Nov 2020</i>	\$ 272.00		
Year-End Appreciation Lunch for Teachers 2021 <i>Pending, expected June 2021</i>	\$ 300.00		
Total fixed costs	\$ 3,672.00	Total fixed costs	\$ 1,420.00
Zoom License for PAC Meetings <i>Paid Nov 2020 & Jan 2021</i>	\$ 67.20		
Teachers' Wish List		Teachers' Wish List	
Levelled Reading Books <i>Paid February 2021 from school account</i>	\$ 2,100.00	6 ipads <i>Paid March 2021</i>	\$ 2,800.00
Home Reading Books <i>Paid February 2021 from school account</i>	\$ 281.80		
Total balance after allocated costs - General Account		\$7,421.35	
Total balance after allocated costs - Gaming Account		\$2,293.00	
Total balance after allocated costs - School Account		\$2,309.86	

11) Voting Items

- a. Indigenous Enhanced Workers Drum Workshop - \$400 from gaming account
 - i. Motion passed, approved by all 7 parent attendees
- b. Sewing Materials - \$100 from gaming account
 - i. Motion passes, approved by all 7 parent attendees

12) PAC Executives & Members for next year

- a. Chair or Co-Chairs
- b. Secretary
- c. Treasurer
- d. Social Media
- e. Members at Large

***we are in need of interested individuals to be part of the PAC executive

Please contact us at pac.maccorkindale@gmail.com to find out more & how you can help your school community. As our children grow older we need time to pass information & train the Executive to ensure a smooth transition.

13) Questions – Open Forum

- a. Olivia Yeung – Area A is an outdated area
 - i. 4 classes are separated by low shelving that is not able to separate sound
 - ii. Moveable dividers would be more functionality
 - 1. Able to reposition as needed for group collaborative work or separate classes
 - iii. 80 students can get pretty loud
 - iv. Teaching & learning in this area is constantly changing
 - v. In the past, there was more separate desk quiet work (late 1960s)
 - vi. Now is more projects based, collaborative work, therefore inherently more loud
 - vii. Area A is the only area in the school with no upgrades for decades!
 - viii. Need the support of parents to write a letter to the board to add pressure to have this area reviewed and remodeled
 - ix. Jim: Teaching nature is very different now than in the past (late 60s)
 - x. Jim totally agrees with Oliva
 - 1. Jim has been talking to the board
 - xi. Teachers talk to teachers union
 - xii. Maybe PAC can talk to DPAC?
 - xiii. Maybe PAC can write a letter to the board?
 - xiv. Need action from all different angles to influence change

Next PAC Meeting – June 16, 2021

You can find the Meeting Minutes posted on the Dr H N MacCorkindale school website in the Families section under Parent Advisory Council.