

DRAFT - PAC MEETING Tuesday October 18, 2016

Attendees

Gordon Lau	Jessie Chen	Ms. Kramer
Marlene Tecson-Golfinopoulos	Mme. Lavoie	Joanne Duyzer
Hanif Virani	Amanda Magee	Krista Ralph
Christine Jackson Spencer	Nuala Cooper	Juliet Dong
Emma Chen	Annie Li	Lily Jiang
Katie Henderson	Cherie McBeth	Lea Ault
Nora Harmsworth	Alison Scarlett	Tracey Macleod

1. Welcome

- Approving minutes from June and September 2016. Alison requested that these drafts be posted online, Gord agrees and this should be done for next time.
- **Motion to approve June minutes by Hanif Virani, Amanda Magee seconded**
- **Motion to approve September minutes by Tracey MacLeod, Jessie seconded**

2. Status updates –

- Lily Jiang– Coffee Morning – Next coffee morning, hosted by Grades 3 and 4, is scheduled for Monday Nov 7.

3. Principal update - Madame Lavoie:

- October has been very busy: hip hop sessions with the showcase on Thursday Nov 20 at 11am; author Michael Kusugak spoke to students and showed artifacts and clothing; goal setting conferences; and cross country
- We Scare Hunger campaign – led by Student Council; collecting food for food bank
- “We” Day on Nov 4: Free the Children – 14 tickets have been allocated for Trafalgar; ticket allocation is based on what you do to support your local and international needs
- Code of Conduct – brochure has been produced

Topics for Discussion

- posting after school activities on the PAC website
- HOWL brochure - Relying on senior students and student council members will go class to class to discuss HOWL information

Budget

- Budget meeting will be scheduled for November; ensure PAC is spending money in the right ways; should we try to do more fundraising
- next PAC meeting - set out larger spending plan for the school year
- need to triage requests for funds
- PAC wants to help as many students as possible

- should more money be allocated to physical education; there is an Arts Committee but no PE Committee
- Mme Elly orders books in October thus is requesting \$1000 to purchase books for the Red Cedar program.
- **Motion by Amanda Magee to advance \$1000 of the library's budget, Hanif Virani seconded**
- PAC waits until November to prepare the budget because PAC doesn't know how much money is available for the school year until after the Direct Appeal
- PAC is trying to put some monies into GICs in order to fund capital
- PAC is cognizant that it needs to meet a little earlier to deal with financial concerns of early school events such as the Monster Ball

Treasurer's Report – Marlene

- bank statements haven't arrived thus financial statement not available
- PAC Exec discussed the recent incident in Surrey where PAC money disappeared – PAC informed that at every PAC the financial binder will be made available to any parent for review
- draft budget with input from teachers and parents should be done before the next PAC meeting

Monster Ball – still need parents to assist with setting up the haunted house that kids love; also need parents to volunteer the evening of the Ball; tickets to the Ball are sold in the mornings

Direct Appeal – will start either next week or the following; received posters and drafted the letter that will be sent out; Direct Appeal provides funds for initiatives that benefit the school such as library books, performances, EarthBites, technology, etc.

Trafalgar is very fortunate to have raised the monies to build a new playground whereas some schools don't have a playground. Perhaps PAC can help another school in another part of town? Possibly twinning with a Vancouver elementary school in need

DPAC has been an advocacy group for schools. Is any parent interested in attending DPAC meetings?

Meeting adjourned at 8:55.