

## November PAC meeting

November 7th, 2017

### Attendance:

Cherie Mcbeth	Hanif Virani	Susuie Song
Maryanne Cruickshank	Rup Kang	Melissa Cheevers
Jacquie Lavoie	Juliet Dong	Tracy McLeod
Sean Rupert	Connie Kwan	Alison Scarlett
Cristal Egan	Tze-Wo Leung	Jessie Chen

### 1. Motion to pass September and October minutes.

-Motion to pass: Cristal Egan. Hanif Virani to second.

### 2. Motion to pass September and October financials

-Look at Annie's financials

-received gaming grant

-point our spending: musical instruments, Hip Hop is taking place, robotics and laptops

-Note- there is a -\$170 on TDF because the original number was calculated incorrectly. The executive voted to give the \$170.

-GIC- We believe that in order to be financially responsible, the conversation regarding the purchase of the GIC should always be done in the New year. Anyone have thoughts on that?

-Not depositing in GIC until later in year.

-The name for that fund is not the playground fund but rather Capital projects fund. FYI- The NDP has apparently included it in their spring budget for 2018. I sent him an email asking if there is any plan to credit schools who have just replaced playgrounds.

-changing the name to the Playground fund to "Capital fund reserve"

- Motion to Pass: Rup Kang Hanif Virani to second.

### 3. Update from admin

Mr Rupert

- cross country and Track and Field. Thank you to volunteers
- Volleyball grades 6 and 7's boy and girls.

Mmd Lavoie

- New Reporting system. Format changing.
- Pilot program this year 2017/2018.
- It will roll out to all schools 2018/2019. Reporting and moving towards communicating intentional student learning.
- 3 changes:
  1. Shift from summertime assessment to formative assessment.
  2. 5 required communication with parents within the school year.
  3. Student self assessment of Core competencies accompanies the written summary.

-7 classes participating and will be rolled out in January.

### 4. Update on Action items

-Mme. Michele has distributed all of the Scholastic credits amongst the teachers. The English teachers received more than French because we had more credits for English books.

-The mural grant has been applied for and we are waiting with fingers crossed to hear the result in November.

5. Motion to move Carnival funds to AquaVan. Carnival has been done for a few years in a row so they wanted a change for the students. \$1500.

-We run 3 station in the gym the classes rotate through, one with animals, one with artifacts and one that is a mystery. The mystery station is run by the classroom teacher using a series of questions to guide the students to discover what the artifacts are and how they are related to each other. Mystery

station has all resources available in French and English. So for gym rotation we can have 2/3 of the stations in French.

Motion to Pass: Rup Kang. Cristal Egan to second.

#### 6. Upcoming dates:

-Next Pac meeting Dec 5<sup>th</sup>

-Coffee morning Dec 5<sup>th</sup>

-Santa's workshop Dec 18

-Noon hour program registration will be in the first week of December. TBA

-School Band Recital (date TBD). Possible collaboration with Choir.

#### 7. PAC speakers update-

-Working with 6 schools to present 4-5 parent education speakers this year. We've already had Deb McNamara, and next there is Social media Awareness talk at QE on Nov 15. More details to come in the next PAC email blast.

#### 8. Yearbooks

-More information is coming very soon but we wanted to let all parents know that parents on the committee will be taking pictures of the students throughout the year. These volunteers will wear vests and name tags so the kids know they are a safe person.

-Motion to add \$ for a yearbook budget for. Motion to Pass: Hanif Virani. Tze-Wo Leung to second

#### 9. Motion to change signatories:

-Band- create account- add Tze-Wo and Shaleena Jeraj  
-English trip- add Tao Shen and Hua Feng, remove Dan Liu, Qing Yang, Jennie Yap, and Furong Yin

Motion to Pass Rup Kang. Tze-Wo Leung to second

-Quebec exchange- add Maria Conway and Anita Wilbur, remove Lorie Srivastava and Tracy Rowand

Motion to Pass Cristal Egan. Rup Kang to second

## 10. Maker Space

- o Project being considered
- o Change computer Lab to more useable, functional space.
- o Met with tech committee to hear their short and long term vision. Need another cart of laptops for intermediate. The school had used ones donated last year.
  - They expressed a desire to have a projector, screen, speakers in the activity room for PE and music.
  - They are presenting to the rest of the staff to see if it is something everyone wants. The teachers we have spoken to are excited about it but we need to make sure it's the best use of the \$.
- o Network issues need to be addressed.
- o Fundraiser will involve every single child in the school. Hopefully this will build pride.
- o Hanif Virani researching different options
- o Mmd Cruikshank feedback:
  - screen to project useful
  - Applied design space beyond computers helpful
  - Need a "go to" person for help for teachers. Teacher education needed.

