# CASTLE PARK ELEMENTARY PAC

MEETING MINUTES CPPAC \_202223\_MM01\_FEB

LOCATION: LIBRARY

**DATE:** 2/6/23

ATTENDEES: Andrew Corbould - Principal; Leah Amaral - Acting

Chair/DPAC Rep; Kimberley Osborne- Hot Lunch Coordinator/Fundraising Head; Andrea Peragine –

Secretary; Cristina Margain; Kim Parsons

**ZOOM:** Trisha Letain; Neelo Nurani; Stafanie Lok; Grace Ooi;

Michelle Islas; Kyle Wa; Sarah Starr

#### I. CALL TO ORDER - 19:08

Land acknowledgement by Leah

### II. AGENDA & PREVIOUS MINUTES

- Approval and Acceptance of Agenda
- Approval and adoption of Previous Minutes carried.

## III. PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

- Enrolment 41 students registered, hoping to get to 50 kids.
  - Losing 45 grade 5's.
- ❖ Early dismissal next week, Wednesday February 15 at 1345.
  - February and April, interim reporting process, divisions 1-5 teachers will be sending out paper interim report, like one issued in first term.
  - Teachers will contact parents by Monday if they need to meet with the parents.
  - If parents haven't heard by Monday, the 13th parents can also reach out.
  - April 27 student lead conferences, primary focused, but intermediate teachers will reach out to parents when needed.
- Next week is Real Acts of Caring.
  - Staff discussed they will be doing some things around that.
- Pink shirt day, focus on kindness and positivity as opposed to anti-bullying which has negative tone to it.
- Parents will be invited on Wednesday, Feb. 22<sup>nd</sup>.
- Friday, Feb. 17<sup>th</sup> students are encouraged to wear purple for kindness.

- Some unexpected behaviors have been observed, teachers will be having conversations with students, safety, respecting the safety of others, and asking for help-teachers will be reiterating this to students.
  - Mr. Corbould will develop general rules for four squares, so that it works for everyone.
- Photographers, reviewed three different companies, moving away from Life Touch as customer service does not meet the standards that school wishes to see.
  - Will go with Photo Expressions, good reviews from colleagues, great options and lowest price point for digital images.
  - Will revisit in a year or two and review overall satisfaction.
- Looking into Coding classes about 8 sessions \$120 after spring break
  - Funding requests
- Mr. Corbould has reached out to maintenance supervisor, in effort to get projects rolling.
- Mr. Corbould displayed pictures of different Gaga Ball pits.
  - 30-foot diameter.
  - Black and red edges have 18' spike for stability, looking to get a bigger one.
  - Drop down to allow for smaller children (shown in a different model with gate for wheelchair access).
  - District brought over some two by fours, hexagon allows for 18-foot diameter.
  - Octagon look would allow for 24 feet diameter.
  - Looking to have a drop down on one of the sides and may do gate at a later time as right now there are no wheelchair bound children. However, still looking into this option, kids with mobility issues will be able to get in through the drop-down area.
  - Placement will likely be southeast of the basketball courts.
  - Rubber matting recommended as base. However, it would still retain water.
  - Trying to figure out which method would be best.
  - In terms of prep work from maintenance is about \$2000-3000.
  - Excavation \$2000-3000.
  - Concrete would also be about \$2000-3000
  - Maintenance \$2000-3000 to dig it out, then \$2000-3000 for concrete, then \$1000 for wood.
  - Roughly \$10,000 in total
  - Can this be done by school board maintenance, or do we need to contract out?
    - May change the price but would speed it up.
  - District has a process when outsourcing work, contractor needs to go through the process of the district approval.
- Learning garden deck answer tomorrow to see if this can be done by the district.
  - PAC would prefer to have contracted out, recognize how understaffed they are.
  - Applying for grant for learning garden, deck, seats, (fresh gravel on path upkeep no cost).
  - Will touch base with Mrs. Olson regarding learning garden vision.
- Arts start presentation, "Oopsie" \$ 832.50 minus GST.
- Caroline from Scholastic could not provide further discount for decodable books other than the 5%.

- Vote put forth by Kimberly for an additional \$900 to go towards scholastic decodable books – carried.
- Grade 5 leaving, school has money from extra funds from hoodies, bottle and cans, and PAC has set aside \$550.
  - School requesting \$550 from PAC to streamline process.
  - Vote to moving \$550 into school friend for the grade 5 leaving ceremony carried.
- ❖ Vote to spend \$10,000 for Gaga Ball pit put forth by Leah can use gaming license for a portion and the rest from PAC carried.

#### IV. CHAIRS REPORT - LEAH AMARAL

- Special Exec. Meeting held on Jan 17 voted on moving to a new web platform carried.
  - Jan 19 -Execs received and email from Chair Bryson Lewis resigned from his respective position effective immediately.
- ❖ Ease of functionality, ease of use, Francis Li has been donating time and expertise, and website should be up and running in the next couple of weeks.
- Execs also held a special meeting on Feb 3 to vote on Zoom account was carried and zoom was purchased.
  - Constitution and Bylaws will reflect this as a line item to ensure it makes sense to continue with zoom.

#### V. DPAC UPDATE

- Quick meeting.
  - Gerald Shong spoke briefly on kindergarten registration and cross catchment process.
  - Josh Keller spokesperson BC post-secondary for BC. Provided resources information for those kids that are off to university.
- Constitution and Bylaws (C&B)
  - Last update was done in 2014, Execs have been working on current and new proposed C&B's
  - Need to make sure that any amendments that are made are available to parents for review if they would like to comment.
  - Will place at front desk in colored folder, that are to stay on site, for mark up, addition of comments suggestions.
  - Leah will post on Facebook page I.e.: location and purpose.
  - At April meeting C&B amendments will be voted on and in May at AGM new updated bylaws will be good to go.
- Interested in textile fundraiser? Created by kids? Babysitting course?
  - Created by kids, good idea, dove tail with Mother's or Father's Day.
  - Textile fundraiser table for now, so much going on.
  - Babysitting course, typically done April on Pro-D Day, for grade 5's and up.
    - ➤ Include students from other schools? Trisha noted that Hazel Trembath Elementary, in the past, opened up participation to whole community.
    - > Need to know cap on attendance.
    - > Leah to check meeting notes from last year and go from there.
- PAC has encountered a situation where PAC does not have a designated chairperson.

• Put to a vote, if parent group is okay with rotating chairs for the next 3 months until AGM in May, put forth by Leah – **carried**.

#### VI. TREASURER'S REPORT

- ❖ Revenue \$100.51
  - ➤ Hot Lunches Bambora Deposits \$3,206.47, expenses of (\$3,244.75).

Net for January (\$38.28)

- > Treat Day Proceeds of \$377.70
- > Sip & Shop Fundraiser Expenses of (\$131.68)
- > Festive Treat Boxes Expenses of (\$107.23)
- Expenditures (\$6.61)
  - ➤ Bambora Fees for January (\$6.61)

#### VII. HOT LUNCH COORDINATOR/FUNDRAISING HEAD

- ❖ Hot lunch me n eds on Friday.
- Family Photo Sessions Spring and Fall dates?
  - > Should pick a date and secure it, get information out in early.
  - Shouldn't make it a fundraiser but a PAC sponsored event, recognizing a photography session.
- Beautification, Kim has done some research, new planters in front of entrance way by the posts, add some color to the front of the school.
- Northwest Landscape Stone 20% discount offered.
  - Poly plastic, sturdy, they don't crack, minor fading over time.
  - > 26" \$278 (includes delivery) and 20% discount on top, bonze, black, slate.
- ❖ Garden works 21' \$229.
  - > can break, fiber glass known to crumble under extreme weather.
- Japi Pottery \$229
  - > 78 cm discount not yet offered, beige and black.
- Post on Facebook page to see if there is a family who might be able to assist with concrete planters – "Castle Park Beautification Project."

# VIII. TRIVIA NIGHT UPDATE

- ❖ PAC sponsored March 3 from 1700-1900 trivia night.
- Kids, families, teachers.
- Concession (popcorn, chips, candy, juice, water, pizza, for purchase).
- Flier going out via Michelle, and to the classroom reps in next couple of days.
- Volunteers already organized.

## IX. DINE-OUT UPDATE

- Thursday March 9<sup>th</sup>
  - Bombay Restaurant.

> 20% of orders to go back to PAC.