

Sangster PAC meeting minutes
Tuesday, February 13, 2024

Present:

- Nargis Kiewiet, *President*
- Kara Beach, *Vice President*
- Jessica Vanderkuip, *Fundraising*
- Sarah Fitton, *Past President*
- Meagan Bagnall, *Secretary*
- Carla Charles, *Media Relations*
- Bonnie Barazzuol, *Fundraising*
- Sarah Baidoo, *Member at Large*
- Jessica Dovanne, *Member at Large*
- Justine Howley, *Member at Large*
- Silvia Costa, *Parent*
- Marialucia Farias, *Parent*
- Camille McFarlane, *Principal*
- Georgette Walker, *Vice Principal*

Absent:

- Jessica Alva, *Hot lunch coordinator (on site)*
- Allison Hyatt, *SPEAC*
- Dana Dawson, *Treasurer*
- Josh Picardal, *Emergency Preparedness*
- Tonya Crowther, *Hot lunch coordinator (offsite)*
- Alanna Goodman, *Member at Large*

Territorial acknowledgment by Camille

Meeting called to order at 7:06pm

Approval of February's agenda

Approval of January's minutes

Principal's Report:

- Based on current registrations, we expect to be staffed with one more teacher for next year
 - Three portables will be moved to Sangster to accommodate future growth
 - Tentative plan for portables to be located behind Nature K
 - Configurations TBD once registrations are finalized later in the spring; likely that older grades will be located in the portables
 - No bathrooms in the portables; students in portables will use bathrooms inside of the main building
- Logo update:
 - Currently working with local First Nations artist to design a new logo that incorporates Sangster's values and strong connection with nature
 - Logo will feature a cedar tree

- Book fair planned April 10-12
 - Each student will receive a \$10 credit to use towards the purchase of a book (sponsored by PAC)
 - There will be a callout to parent volunteers to help run the book fair
- Online book fair planned with Munro's to take place in May
- Second group of reading mentors started today
 - 15 leadership students from grade 8 at Dunsmuir to read with 5 different Sangster classes
- Class pictures update; Lifetouch will be doing free class pictures March 14th for Sangster

Treasurer's Report

General Account Balance: \$38 182.58

Gaming Account Balance: \$4070.72

January bottle drive total: \$995.00 raised

President's Report

- Nargis and Kara attended the SPEAC presidents and vice presidents dinner February 12
 - Common theme was struggle for volunteers
 - Takeaway suggestions:
 - Online 50/50 before winter and summer breaks
 - Mitchell's soup fundraiser in the fall
 - Lower denominations hot lunch donation option

Updates from Sarah B

- Anti-racism programming update
 - Moms Against Racism (MAR) sessions available
 - Parent session as a PAC
 - Educator/staff session
 - Student session
 - Camille is working with MAR to work out an option/schedule that will work best for this school year
 - Suggestion for PAC to think about a 3-5 year plan for how we would like to implement anti-racism programming/allocation of funds for upcoming years
- Online 50/50 update
 - Sarah has been in touch with Raffle Nexus to discuss options for this year's online 50/50
 - Originally planned to run from March 1-May 30, but Raffle Nexus suggested 6-8 weeks for best results
 - Sarah will research other online 50/50 options and compare platforms, fees, etc.

Fundraising report:

- No fuss fundraiser: \$4600 raised so far
 - Current priorities: Gaga ball pit installation, bike racks, nature playground
 - Discussion about planning for future "big ticket" items
 - New playground equipment
 - Field trips
 - Performances/programming to bring into the school

- Purdy's fliers are in teachers' mailboxes
 - Goal to reach \$4000 in sales
- Family Dance on Thursday, February 15
 - Doors to open at 5:30pm; music finished at 7:30-45pm
 - Entry by donation
 - Need float; Sarah F will contact Dana and/or Krista to organize bank withdrawal
 - Grade 5s running concession
 - PAC will recoup float and cost monies at end of dance
 - Any profit will go towards Grade 5 year end celebration
- Free family game night; tickets sold out!
 - PAC will run concession; leftovers from dance
 - May need to restock some concession items
 - Suggestion to book for next year as these have become popular amongst schools
- Spring Fair
 - Timing confirmed 5-7pm
 - Vendors can set up as early as 3:30pm
 - Next committee meeting is Thursday, February 22 at 7:45pm (virtual)

Hot Lunch

- Hot lunch is going well
- Suggestion to start booking dates/vendors for next year
 - Camille will work on calendar/schedule

Media Relations

- Facebook page update:
 - Currently public business page; discussion around switching to a group instead?
 - Page is public but has limitations with reach of posts
 - Some concern that not all events are open to public due to capacity limitations (Sangster families must be prioritised)
 - Option to have a page and a group
 - Concerns about who can post and/or comment in a group; caution about negative posts/comments
 - Something to think about for moving forward; suggestion to switch after this school year if Carla wants to take it on

Meeting adjourned at 8:15pm

Next Meeting is Tuesday, March 12 2024 at 7:00pm