Sangster PAC meeting minutes Tuesday, March 12, 2024

Present:

- Nargis Kiewiet, President
- Kara Beach, Vice President
- Sarah Fitton, Past President
- Meagan Bagnall, Secretary
- Carla Charles, Media Relations
- Bonnie Barazzuol, Fundraising
- Jessica Alva, Hot lunch coordinator (on site)
- Allison Hyatt, SPEAC
- Sarah Baidoo, Member at Large
- Camille McFarlane, Principal
- Angeline Sinra, Parent

Absent:

- Georgette Walker, Vice Principal
- Jessica Vanderkuip, Fundraising
- Dana Dawson, *Treasurer*
- Josh Picardal, Emergency Preparedness
- Tonya Crowther, Hot lunch coordinator (offsite)
- Alanna Goodman, Member at Large
- Jessica Dovanne, Member at Large
- Justine Howley, Member at Large

Territorial acknowledgment by Camille

Meeting called to order at 7:04pm

Approval of March's agenda

- Motion to approve: Sarah F
- Second: Allison

Approval of February's minutes

- Motion to approve: Sarah F
- Second: Allison

Principal's Report:

- February & March are the busiest administration months
 - Registrations for next school year are complete, aside from whatever inevitable movement may happen in the coming months due to families moving, etc.
 - 14 divisions confirmed for next year
 - \circ $\,$ 3 portables coming, 2 will be full for sure
 - There should be a designated "flex space" for next year
 - 270 students this year; 300 students currently registered for next year; 314 will be registration capacity

- Planning for Kindergarten & Grade 1 classes to have 2, 30 minute blocks of music per week; increase PE to twice per week
 - Scheduling still in the works
- Lunch schedule update; Camille proposed plan for increasing eating time by 5 minutes starting next year
 - Bell schedule as follows:
 - 8:42am warning bell
 - 8:45am school starts
 - 12:00-12:30 lunch recess
 - 12:30-12:50pm designated eating time
 - 2:43pm dismissal
- Additional EA support coming for April, May, June this year
- Grade 5 bake sale tomorrow; fundraising for year end celebration
- Early dismissal coming up April 18; 11:38am
 - Informal learning conferences to be held in afternoon & evening
 - o Individual teaches may have alternate/additional meeting times scheduled/available
- Logo design is still in progress with local First Nations artist from Beecher Bay
 - Logo will feature cedar tree with sun and blue (ocean)
- Some staff members recently attended school board meeting to present some of our school's recent projects surrounding equity & reconciliation
 - Featured new mural and core competency posters
- Currently recognizing Ramadan; some students are fasting and classes are learning about this tradition its significance
- Incoming Nature K families have attended their forest visits

MAR Update

- Sarah & Camille connected with a school in Comox that has recently participated in MAR's programming
 - Feedback that MAR's K to 3 session is ideal for elementary school age; intermediate session is better for middle school
- Parent session; likely scheduled for April
 - Suggest to offer "public" viewing at Sangster in a classroom
 - Option to attend virtually from home
 - There will not be a recorded option available for later viewing due to the sensitive subject matter and the need to create a safe space for (un)learning
- Student session; likely scheduled for May
- Staff session; likely scheduled for August when staff returns to school

Online 50/50 Update

- Raffle Box contract signed today
- Likely April 1 start, end May 31
- More info to come soon!

SPEAC

• See notes attached from Allison from March meeting

Treasurer's Report

General Account Balance: \$38 182.58 (no new update for March meeting) Gaming Account Balance: \$4070.72 (no new update for March meeting)

Fundraising report:

- Purdy's
 - Sold \$1623.75; profit \$426.24
 - Orders to be sorted after tonight's meeting
 - o Orders to be distributed after school on Friday, March 15
- Family Game Night debrief
 - Tickets; approximately 50% of those who reserved tickets attended
 - Concession; total TBA
 - Accessibility of this event was a highlight; those who attended had great feedback
 - Suggestion to book board game night for November 2024
- Family Dance debrief
 - Tickets
 - 300 available this year; Camille suggested increasing to 375 for next year
 - Different set up for seating, food, and DJ equipment will allow for more attendees in the future
 - \$742.24 raised in donations at the door
 - o Food
 - Grade 5s were successful with running concession; raised \$545.40
 - Ms. Arnott suggested including pizza sales for next year
 - Communication
 - Suggestion to spread the word re: dance details (tickets) to whole school community via email sent from Camille/Alvira next year
- Krispy Kreme; should we organize in time for June bottle drive?
 - Must pay for doughnuts up front
 - Sarah F and Kara will look into organizing this fundraiser
- Spring Fair
 - Meeting on Thursday, March 14 @ 7:45pm
 - Bonnie re: bouncy castle/obstacle course
 - Suggestion to look into purchasing
 - Concern re: storage space and insurance/liability
 - Conclusion that we will continue to look for donation/rental
 - Spin the Wheel game currently stored in Sarah F's garage
 - Will need to re-decorate in time for Spring Fair
 - Ang will see if PISE can come and run a station at the fair

Hot Lunch

- Food Safe Certificate
 - PAC agreed to cover cost for 2 volunteers per year, as needed
 - Justine and Jessica A will register for this year

Media Relations

- Save the date for Spring Fair coming up
- Following up on discussion about keeping page public or moving to a private group

- Will keep page(s) as is for now
- Note that another school recently had to change to a private group due to the page being hacked

Meeting adjourned at 8:30pm Next Meeting is Tuesday, April 9, 2024 at 7:00pm