



**Minutes of Panorama Heights Elementary School PAC
Meeting January 18, 2016**

Chairperson: Tracey Yuruk

Attendees:

Tracey Yuruk	Alex McLaughlin
Mr. Clarke	Lineh Mehrafarin
Sonia Kim	Vinicius Rodrigues de Moraes
Jerusha Chong	
Shemma Mousavi	
Sarah Taylor	
Kelsey Jones	
Mel Wong	
Minerva Eng	
Melanie Norris	
Alina Viada	

Meeting called to order at 7:15 pm by Chair, Tracey Yuruk

Introductions and Housekeeping

- Timekeeper designated - Sonia Kim;
- Round table introductions – Completed;
- Next meeting set for February 15, 2016 at 7:00pm;
- Minutes from previous meeting: **Motion** to approve minutes of the PAC meeting held December 14 2015. Moved by Alex McLaughlin, Seconded by Sonia Kim. All in favor. **Approved.**

Chair Report

- The Chair, Tracey Yuruk, expressed the Leadership Team were very helpful to Kelsey Jones (treat day coordinator) in delivering treats for 'treat day'. It was also mentioned that Mr Obadia and the leadership team delivered treats of 'Timbits and candy canes' to all classes as a Christmas treat.

School Report – Principle Mr. Clarke

- Principal, Mr. Spira and the staff are organizing the Spring Production. The Spring Fair, starting to organize and requests for volunteers;
- The FSA which are the provincial assessment have started this week and will be completed by February 2, 2016 It's a measurement stick to see where students are at and help the schools support the students;
- \$7000 equipment order has been made. The equipment will assist students with learning;
- Pro "D" days are coming up. The first one will be on Feb 9, 2016;
- There were some parking issues in front of the locked gate with some close calls, pedestrian verses vehicles. The situation has calmed down after Mr. Clarke spoke with the one of drivers who were parked in the area;
- An assembly with the BC Lions has been scheduled for February 3, 2016. Another assembly has been scheduled for February 24, 2016 called Casi and Friends which teaches accepting kids with special needs.

New Business

- Spring fair, Jerusha Chong advises budget for this year's fair will be \$4000. A notice has been sent out for volunteers and has so far received 4 replies. Jerusha has requested The Rocky Point ice cream truck and Cotton Candy Kids for the spring fair and she was waiting for their response. Jerusha would like to confirm if invitations will be sent out to Maple Creek, Charles Best, and Pinetree Secondary students requesting their assistance with the Spring Fair. Will need someone to help out with organizing the food and contacting Montana's Restaurant. Jerusha advised the silent action last year brought in \$1500 and she hopes to bring in the same amount this year;
- Walking School Bus will be on January 20, 2016. Tracey Yuruk advised that Amy Kim (organizer of Walking School Bus) is in need for volunteers to take over the preparation and serving morning hot chocolate as she will be leaving next year;
- Crazy Hat Day will be on January 26, 2016. Mr. Clarke advised students that they can wear any type of hat that's appropriate for school;
- Movie Night will be on February 5, 2016. Jerusha advised that the theme will be children's choice;
- School Closures will be on February 8th (BC Day), 9th (District Day) and 19th (Pro D Day);
- Book fair will be on February 17th and 18th. The book fair will be held during student led conferences. Tracey would like to have another PAC table at the entrance to the library for information for parents;
- Sheema Mousavi inquired if non-perishable food items can be left in the cupboards for the children from time to time that forget their lunch. Mr. Clarke explained that teachers have not brought this issue of kids not having lunch to his attention. Mr. Clarke will inquire with the teachers and look into having food available;

- Minerva Eng (Running Club Organizer) requested an increase in budget to \$600. The funds will be used to purchase items such as bottles of water, charms, ribbons and medals to encourage and reward kids for running in inclement weather. Round the table discussions and a decision was made to further the discussions with Tracey Yuruk, Sonia Kim and the Running Club Team;
- Sun Run organizers have been busy with registration. Minerva Eng will be collecting all the t-shirts for the students and participants who have registered with the Panorama Team;
- Ski Club at Panorama School will have their inaugural ski trip this Sunday, February 24, 2016. Mr. Clarke explained that Whistler/Blackcomb has had a ski program for several years. Mr. Whitfield has 40 students registered for the ski program;
- Treasurer Alina Viada; mentioned CPA has a school workshop to introduce grade 5 students to financial responsibility if school is interested in having a workshop;
- Mr. Clarke advised the teachers at Panorama School will be applying for grants offered by Coast Capital Savings.

Old Business

- Purdy fundraiser raised \$909. The next fundraiser will be organized for Easter;
- Teacher's lunch; preparations underway and being organized by Melanie Norris which will be held on February 10, 2016. Melanie would like to ask for volunteers to assist with the preparations and provide food donations.

Treasurers Report

- No changes because of the holidays. December's Movie Night profit was deposited to the bank \$475;
- Grade 5 bus has been paid;
- Leadership Team now has a small budget;
- Accounts for the Fan Dance, Let it Speak, Knitting, will be removed as they're not required anymore.

Committee Reports

- **DPAC:** Sarah Taylor advised on January 20, 2016 DPAC will be having a presentation regarding "how to write and apply for Grants". Sarah advised that the school district will be introducing the parent portal, which will be a way to pay and register for school fees online;
- **SEP:** Sonia Kim advised that all the winter clubs have started. The Chess Club has 23 student enrolled. The floor hockey club starts this Thursday and Friday (January 21 and 22, 2016). The floor hockey club has 66 student signed up for juniors league (grade 1, 2 and 3). Sonia will be moving the grade 3 students to the senior league (grade 4/5) because there are too many students in the junior league. Sonia would like to have a parent this year to shadow her in order to take over SEP next year, so the transition will be smoother when she leaves the school;
- **Fundraising:** Sheema Mousavi advised there is two fundraising events coming

up, one in March and one in April. A Craft/Bake fundraiser will be on March 11, 2016. A Parent's Social Night is planned for April 14, 2106. The event will be a buffet style event inside the gym, where parents can eat and socialize. The cost will be \$25, food will be homemade or catered, depend on parent interest;

- **Treat day:** Kelsey Jones reiterated that the Leadership Team were very helpful to her with treat day. The next treat day will be during recess on January 20, 2016;
- **Movie night:** Jerusha Chong advised movie night will be student's choice, on February 5, 2016;
- **Hot Lunch:** Lineh Mehrafarin had 297 student orders and raised \$1043 at the last hot lunch. The next hot lunch will be a Valentines theme, with food by Montana's Restaurant;
- **Clothing drive:** Mr. Clarke advised that Alex McLaughlin who's a teacher from an inner city school forwarded a very nice thank you letter from her school to the Panorama School Community for the clothing donated to her school. Alex would really appreciate if Fundraising Team could make another donation from our Spring Clothing Drive for students in K to Grade 7. Sheema Mousavi advised the December clothing drive raised \$140. Next Clothing drive will be February 12 to 15, 2016.
- **Parent Education:** Mr. Clarke reminds parents of upcoming 'Understanding BIG Behaviour' presentation will be on January 27, 2016;
- **Traffic:** No report;
- **Class Liaison:** No report;
- **CPF:** No report;
- **Grade 5:** Sheema Mousavi advised that a second order of Grade 5 sweat shirts were ordered and submitted and to arrive this week;
- **Multicultural Liaison:** No report;
- **Webmaster:** Jerusha Chong advised there were still some email account access issues, recommendation was to change user, which she will look into but does not recommend changing until the end of the year;
- **Emergency Prep:** No report;
- **Running Club:** Minerva Eng advised that preparations are ongoing for Sun Run.

Date of next meeting is tentatively set for: February 15, 2015 at 7:00pm

Motion to adjourn meeting. Moved by Sheem Mousavi, **Seconded** by Sonia Kim.
Motion Passed.

Meeting adjourned at 9:10 pm.