



**Minutes of Panorama Heights Elementary School PAC
Meeting
January 20, 2020**

Chairperson: Shilpi Mehrotra & Shahnaaz Balsara

Secretary: Colby Anderson

Attendees:

Macy Azimi	
Colby Anderson	
Natalie Wang	
Bonnie Chung	
Denise Quanson	
Shilpi Mehrotra	
Kelsey Jones	
Shahnaaz Balsara	
Shiva Behnia	
Winnie Li	
Tara Abraham	
Lynn Li	
Adeline Song	

Meeting called to order at 7:23pm by Shilpi

Introductions and Housekeeping

- Timekeeper designated – Kelsey
- Next meeting set for Monday, February 24th at 7:15pm
- Minutes from previous meeting: Reviewed and approved

Chair Report

- No report

School Report – Mrs. Yu & Mr. Jamieson

- Mr. Muxworthy, Panorama Heights' new principal, greeted the PAC

- **Mrs. Yu and Mr. Jamieson**
 - Kindergarten registration:
 - Programs of choice and French immersion kindergarten applications are up on the school website until Wednesday, January 22nd
 - Regular kindergarten registration will take place February 3, 4, and 5th
 - Cross-catchment kindergarten registration will occur between February 6-12, and will be by lottery (same as programs of choice)
 - Thank you to Mme. Austin for covering Mme. Reskovich's maternity leave
 - Mme. Reskovich will be returning February 3rd
 - Ms. Yu thanked the parents of Panorama and the PAC for support during her tenure at Panorama
 - Past events:
 - Mr. Jamieson noted that the Christmas concert was a success
 - Report cards were sent home before the Winter Break, and parents are invited to share any feedback regarding the new format with admin
 - Upcoming events:
 - The MDI (Middle Years Development Instrument), which is a survey for Grade 4 students, will be completed over the next weeks during class time, unless a parents has opted their child out of participating
 - Monday, January 27th will be a Pro-D day
 - Basketball practices and events are occurring throughout these next few months, including Hoops for Hope
 - There will be an early dismissal at 1:35pm on February 5th and 6th for Student-Led Conferences
 - The school website calendar has been updated to include all of the after-school activities occurring at Panorama
 - Interested parents can look to the website for activities that are offered

New Business

- Open PAC volunteer positions:
 - Student Enrichment Program Coordinator – coordinating lunchtime clubs and activities
 - Shilpi is going to take on this role and organize the 4-corner soccer for kindergarten
 - Shilpi and Mr. Jamieson will coordinate to find gym time
 - Treasurer – as this is a 2-year term, Melanie's time as treasurer will be completed at the end of this school year. This is a position that must be filled for the 2020-2021 school year in order for PAC to continue.
- Spring Fair – this was briefly discussed, with a tentative date set for Thursday, June 4th. The idea of a smaller version of the fair, due to lack of parent volunteers, was presented. Shilpi will contact Vancouver PartyWorks to see if inflatables are available for that date.

Old Business

- See committee reports, below

Committee Reports

- **Movie Night:** This has been postponed due to Lunar New Year. The next movie night will be February 21st. The idea of theatre seating rather than sleeping bags on the ground was discussed, due to the lack of parent supervision and too many kids running around last movie night. Grade 5 students can be recruited again for popcorn and concession roles, however parents must also be in attendance.
- **Treat Days:** Adeline reports that this has been going well, with the treats being delivered to the classrooms in the morning before school starts.
- **Hot Lunch:** Last month was Quiznos and the orders were much lower than pizza hot lunch. Next month will be pizza again. Lynn noted that when hot lunch is on a Friday, there are generally more orders. April's hot lunch will be moved to April 24th. Plateau Pizza noted that they will not give a discount anymore, upon hearing that we have recently tried Dominos.
- **Traffic:** Parents continue to park in the drive-through and turn left out of the drive-through, despite that there have been police present at times. Traffic has been fairly light since it has snowed. When there are two people directing traffic, Denise reports that it generally goes better.
- **Walking School Bus:** The next one will be this Wednesday, January 22nd.
- **Student Enrichment Program:** The Pinetree Community Centre programs will be coming out in the next two days, through the office.
- **Website and Communications Coordinator:** No report
- **Class Liaison:** No report
- **DPAC:** Natalie gave a report from the last DPAC meeting, which was before the break. Kinsight presented at the DPAC meeting. There is information and fliers that will be placed on the PAC bulletin board for interested families. Douglas College presented about the difference between Dogwood and Evergreen graduation certificates. Recycling programs were discussed, and there could be an opportunity for fundraising through returning bottles, etc. Immunizations are requirements for entering school. There is a Facebook page called PAC Connection that provides help and tips. The bylaws are required to be updated, however it is not clear how frequently this is required. There were last updated a few years ago.
- **Parent Ed:** The school's counsellor is organizing a speaker for internet safety for Grade 4's and 5's. The idea of having a speaker in to discuss nutrition with the students was discussed. Tara may be able to find a dietician or speaker. Other topics mentioned were climate change, gender equality, positive parenting, and active transportation.
- **Health & Safety:** No report
- **CPF:** Stephanie will be sending out an email about French Immersion resources.
- **Grade 5:** Camp Jubilee is booked for Friday, June 12th. The grade 5's have received their hoodies and appear excited about them.
- **After-School Activity Liaison:** No report
- **Treasurer's Report:** *Note: Recent report is two months worth transactions, as there was no PAC meeting in December*
General Account: We have collected \$875 more than last year in donations. \$3000 will be put towards educational upgrades.
Gaming Account: The Grade 5 trip has come out of the gaming account.

The PAC thanked Wendy for everything she has done for the students and families at Panorama Heights, past and present. We all wish her luck in her new position at Gleneagle Secondary!

Date of next meeting is set for: **Monday, February 24th at 7:15pm.**

Meeting adjourned at 8:35pm.