



Minutes of Panorama Heights Elementary School PAC Meeting

June 21st, 2021

Chairperson: Shilpi Mehrotra & Shahnaaz Balsara

Secretary: Colby Anderson

Meeting conducted via Zoom

Meeting called to order at 7:17 by Shilpi

Introductions and Housekeeping

- Timekeeper designated – Kelsey
- Meeting minutes were approved
- Minutes from previous meeting can be found on the PAC website (www.panoramaheightspac.ca)

Chair Report

- Staff appreciation luncheon
 - Gift cards from Brown's Social House were purchased for staff and will be given out this week (\$2,225 was raised – thank you to the Panorama parent community!)
- Nominations for new committee members:
 - A parent volunteer has stepped up to shadow Macy for the Website Coordinator position, starting in September, to take over the following year (2022/2023 school year)
 - Limited interest for all positions was expressed via email
 - Though none of the nominees were in attendance, their emails expressing their interest in the position were reviewed
- Treasurer: Nick Fan was interested in the position, nominated, and voted in
- Secretary: Claudia and Adam Lally were interested in the position, nominated, and voted in
- DPAC: Julie Rioux was interested in the position, nominated, and voted in
- Chair: Bitia Rezaei was interested in the position, nominated, and voted in

- The current chairs will set up a time to meet with the new chair to plan the transition
- A fundraising committee will also be needed, and Debora will be continuing to lead this committee in the new school year
- Debora still needs an email address set up the bottle returns – Shilpi will contact Macy regarding this
- Teri would like to consult on the grade 5 committee, but is unable to take on the role on her own
- Once school begins again in September and everyone has a sense of what will be able to be done in terms of activities, fundraising, etc., filling the remaining positions will be discussed
- The green t-shirts will be ordered for the 2021/2022 Kindergarten students
- BCCPAC membership will be renewed this week
- Fiona will be completing the application for the gaming grant

School Report – Mr. Muxworthy

September 2021

- There is a positive outlook for returning to school in September, however the current school Covid-safety protocols will remain in place until the end of this school year
- For next year, the plan is for a regular start-up on September 7th, and September 8th to 10th will be mixed grade-groups working together, with classes announced on the Friday afternoon (earliest)
- We will return to a more standard bell schedule, with the warning bell at 8:45am, and school instruction beginning at 8:50am and ending at 2:45pm
- Common lunches and recesses will return, mixing groups as before
- More normalized events, such as assemblies, open houses, performances, etc. are being planned
- This will of course be dependent on the current state of public health orders and recommendations
- There are currently 10 divisions for French immersion and 9 for English planned for September, however the school is currently very full and may end up increasing to 10 English divisions as well
- This partially hinges on construction – if it is done by September then we are able to increase enrolment, however if it is ongoing the students will remain on the waitlist
- There will be three new staff members in the Fall – a French Immersion 1/2 teacher, a French Immersion 1/2 and K teacher, and a Fine Arts teacher
- An open-house is being planned, which would involve a PAC station, looking at September 23rd, with September 24th being a Pro-D day

- If September 30th ends up being a Statutory Holiday, then lunch will be 2 minutes shorter to make up for this time across the year

Construction

- This continues to be on track and hoping to be completed for September
- There is always the potential for this to be delayed, which will affect the number of divisions we are able to start the year with, as noted above

Action Plan for Learning

- The district is adopting a new format with a new district statement, where each school APL will have 3 areas:
 - Intellectual (language – reading and writing)
 - Social-emotional (including how to contribute to your community and how to solve problems in peaceful ways, which will be a school-wide theme/program promoted across all classes for the next 2-3 years)
 - Infusing and being aware of Indigenous learners, and infusing school curriculum for teaching and learning
- This action plan will be fine-tuned in the Fall and set in the Spring
- The Code of conduct will remain mostly the same as the previous year – this is in the students' planner, as well as on the website (new version in July)

Year-end events

- The afternoon event on lower field for Grade 5s was a success
- A year-end ceremony will be held on Tuesday, June 29th and information will be sent out to the school community
- This will be a virtual ceremony with slide shows, acknowledging grade 5s, staff, retirees, and all students

Committee reports

- Fundraising – the ticket sales for the summer raffles are currently low, so a reminder email will be sent out to the school community
- Website & Communication Coordinator – no report
- Emergency Preparedness – no report
- Grade 5 committee – no report
- DPAC – no report
- Class liaison & communications – no report
- Parent education – no report
- CPF – no report

Treasurer's report

- Fiona provided a detailed review of expenses and revenue, and any question about the budget can be sent to Fiona at treasurer@panoramaheightspac.ca

Meeting adjourned at 9:03pm

Meeting dates for the 2021/2022 school year will be set in the Fall