#### APRIL 5, 2023 GENERAL PAC MEETING – 6:30 PM Bayridge Elementary Library

In Attendance: Please see the last page.

Motion to begin meeting: <u>Chloe Wang</u> 2<sup>nd</sup>, Jane Forbes.

Adoption of Minutes from previous PAC meeting held February 27, 2023 from Keltie Marynick.

## **Meeting Agenda:**

- 1. Principal's Report
- 2. Treasurer's report
- 3. Fundraise Events Update
- 4. Next year possible fundraiser Event Discuss + Recruitment for Committees
- 5. New Translation Committee
- 6. Building a PAC Website
- 7. How to make pick-up and drop-off safer
- 8. food safety concern (proposed by a parent attendee and added during agenda review)
- 9. new hot lunch coordinator
- 10. Open Discussion
- 11. Discuss the next general meeting date

#### 1.PRINCIPAL'S REPORT:

# **Enrolment Update:**

- Kindergarten Registrations opened up on January 16<sup>th</sup>. To date, we have reached our capacity for Kindergarten and are running a waitlist.
- Additionally, we have 22 students on our waitlist from Grades 1-7 for next school year.

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#### **PAC Sponsored Events:**

• We are starting In-Line Skating the week of April 17<sup>th</sup>-21<sup>st</sup>.

#### Athletics:

- Mr. Somers wrapped up our boys and girls Basketball tournament last week at Semiahmoo Secondary.
- Badminton also started last week with Mr. Somers and Ms. Yang for our upper intermediate students. Badminton is a short season and wraps up at the beginning of May.
- Track and Field will begin at the end of April for students in Grades 3-7.

## **Upcoming Events:**

- April 7-10<sup>th</sup>: Easter Long Weekend (School Closed)
- April 17-21<sup>st</sup>: In-Line Skating
- May 3<sup>rd</sup>: Early Dismissal @ 1:30 pm/Student-Led Conference
- May 5<sup>th</sup>: Non-Instructional Day #5 (School Closed)

<sup>\*</sup>Feb. 17<sup>th</sup> views: 245/March 3<sup>rd</sup> views: 97

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- May 22<sup>nd</sup>: Victoria Day Holiday (School Closed)
- May 29<sup>th</sup>: Non-Instructional Day #6 (School Closed)

## **2.TREASURE'S REPORT:**

- Please refer to previous PAC e-newsletters for Treasure's report for September 1 2022 Feb 28 2023.
- Aynsley, the Treasure, gave a detailed explanations on all the expenses and incomes so far.

## **3.FUNDRAISERS Event Update**

- We had a successful Pub Night fundraiser, which brought us about \$3000 in income. We will have the exact amount soon.
- PAC does not currently have any additional fundraisers planned for this year.
- Movie night planned for May 2023 to fundraise for grade 6/7 camp.
- Book fair fall of 2023
- Cheque writing campaign fall of 2023

## **NEW BUSINESS:**

- 5. New Translation Committee
  - PAC received some requests regarding translating PAC and School newsletters into other language. We then created a Survey Monkey to assess this needs better. 10 parents responded to the survey: 7 want translation where five asked for Chinese, one asked for French, and 1 asked for Korean. We could only find volunteers to help with translation into Chinese and Indian languages. Therefore, PAC formed a Chinese translation Committee. We have four volunteers who will take turns to help with translation.
- 6. Building a PAC Website
  - Having a PAC website may be able to better provide parents with information about PAC and other PAC regular businesses. Also, it may help us with donations/fundraisers.
  - Will look for volunteers to build the website
  - Maintaining the website will be about \$140 per year
  - To start: we either ask for a donation just for the website, or wait until 2024/2025 school year to put these expenses in the budget for vote
- 7. How to make pick-up and drop-off safer
  - PAC and school received quite a lot of complaints and concerns regarding dangerous driving behaviour during pick-up and drop-off time;
  - One parent volunteer will talk to community police to see how we can get support to make the pick-up and drop-off safer; the school will support too
- 8. food safety concern (proposed by a parent attendee and added during agenda review)
  - Some chips that past "Best Before" dates (2023 Feb 23) were given to students on March 30<sup>th</sup> Hotlunch; PAC executive team apologized for the incident

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- The chips were purchased in bulk from Costco to minimize cost (all receipts are available for viewing upon requests). Given the reputation of these large, and well-established retailers, we do not have a standard of procedure to check for the expiration date; nor do we have an inventory system that takes expiration/Best-Before dates into consideration when we don't consume all and store them until next hot-lunch. We just hand the items out according to Hot-Lunch orders without checking and verifying the expiration date.
- New process being implemented to address/minimize the risk of it happening again:
  - We will check the expiration/best-before date at the point of sale and before handing them out to students.
  - We are sorry for any concern or inconvenience this incident might have caused.

#### 9. new hot lunch coordinator

- Jamie will stay until the end of the 2023 school year.
- Candace Willey and Shelly Luo will be next year's hot lunch coordinators
- Please note: Weekly volunteers for hot lunch are needed

There was not enough time to finish items #10 and 11. The meeting was asked for and translated to Mandarin (Chloe and Ava translated everything were spoken in English to Mandarin) so it doubled the time of what a regular meeting takes typically. Therefore, PAC executive team decided not to translate the entire meeting from now on as this is not efficient way to conduct a general meeting. We may help some parents to translate one or two questions from Mandarin to English but not the entire meeting.

Motion to close meeting: Principal Jane Forbes

\*Next PAC meeting: To Be Determined