

Gray Elementary PAC Meeting Minutes

September 28th, 2022

Microsoft Teams virtual meeting called to order by Heather Svensson at 7:06 pm.

In Attendance:

Amanda Berera, Andrea Mori, Heather Svensson, Heidi Gonzalez, Jennifer Hastings, Grace, Antonella, Joycelyn Marasigan, Sunil Kumar, Oscar Lin, Amanda Henderson, Ruby, Samantha, Karm, Alan, Naji Mehdi and Karen Kang

Principal's Report:

Provided by VP Heidi Gonzalez as Bob Thompson away

- Currently have 555 students enrolled at Gray
- New staff since school started including Tessa Hansen who is with Mrs Silva, Mr Bhangu who is 1 day a week with Ms Bhalru, Jessica Van Ryk in Kindergarten with Ms Neall. Nina Zinchonisk is LST/ITT, Matt Thompson is the interim child and youth worker to cover for someone else on leave.
- During the second week of school, the Grade 7 students attended camp Jubilee
- Today was our Terry Fox run which is the 1st school run in 3 years
- Tomorrow is Day for Truth and Reconciliation and students encouraged to wear orange in support
- Upcoming events: 1st presentation from Dumpster Dragon for the intermediate students in 1st week of Oct
- Next few weeks FSA for the grade 4 & 7 students to see how we are aligned with the BC Curriculum for literacy and numeracy. This year the Delta school district is encouraging the students to write and there will be an info night on Oct 7 which will be hosted by the district.
- Parent teacher conference will be happening on Oct 19 & 20th, parents will be encouraged to meet with teachers and will be available in person

PAC and parent introductions were done

Teachers Representative Report:

Provided by Jennifer Hastings

- Thanks to the PAC for the bubbles provided to be a part of the kindergarten welcome package
- Inquiring to see if stream of dreams invoice from June was received a forwarded to treasurer

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Special Events:

Heather mentioned interest in holding a winter market this year. Heidi says they are open to discuss possible dates, potentially Dec 3rd. Heather has a copy of an old vendor list she got from Rash dated 2017 and we should have the 2019 market info in the PAC email. Heidi also mentioned that there was a

great turnout for the Welcome back BBQ. Andrea also confirmed that the BBQ was well received and lots of families came out as well as staff. The PAC paid for balloons, face painting, etc.

Andrea was inquiring if we could possibly look at doing a Halloween dance, maybe for Oct 28th, Heidi will look at gym availability and get back to us.

Fundraising:

Position currently vacant and nothing in the works yet

(Special events, fundraising and DPAC are currently vacant)

Hot Lunch:

Preeti and Maleena away

- Nothing to report yet
- 1st group of lunches are closing tonight

Treasurer's Report:

Provided by Andrea

- No report to show
- Currently the accounts are as follows: Gaming account \$31,000 and Operating account \$22,000. We received our gaming grant which was \$10,920.

DPAC:

Position vacant

Emergency Preparedness:

Kurt away

- No update
- Heidi advised that each year the district asks students to provide inventory of emergency bins. The last time a formal inventory was done was 2 years ago. We need to possibly put out a call for some volunteers to help take inventory. May be able to include a note in the principal's weekly newsletter.

Newsletter:

No newsletter as Bob and Heidi put out a weekly one. If PAC has any information that needs to be added, they should email them by Thursday.

Old Business:

Amanda asked about noon hour supervisors and training. Heidi advised that in Oct they would be going over the protocols in different scenarios with all staff. She also mentioned that there is an emergency plan in the works that would be cohesive across the district.

Samantha asked about possibly having a black shirt day and education around Black Lives Matter. Heidi will bring up at the next staff meeting and get back to her.

Next PAC meeting in person Oct 26th, 2022, at 7pm in the library.

Motion to adjourn meeting at 7:37 pm by Andrea, 2nd by Karen and all those present voted in favor.