PAC Meeting Minutes - Feb 2022

Date: Feb 28, 2022

Attendees: Chris Daum, Alaric, Jon Lau, Yanny, Jeta Hasimja Babalia, Carl, Dorothy, Belle, Kaylie's Mom (Yvonne), Mabel, Winton

Minutes Adoption – Yanny, Belle

Agenda Adoption – Jon, Carl

Financial Report

- Jan/Feb: Not too much material changes, not much activities
- \$19K in general account
- Gaming account \$8K
- \$2200 in gift cards
- \$29K balance total
- Pizza days are back on, we should see a bit more activities in March

Pizza Day

- Orders are slowly coming back up
- PAC were talking about purchasing gift cards directly from Fresh Slice with 20% discount
 - Put that on hold because of uncertainties around pandemic
- Bought \$2000 worth of gift cards
 - High turnover with gift cards, so almost getting a free pizza day every 2 months (\$500 every 2 months)
 - We were able to lock in buying up to \$6000 worth of cards down the road

Food Days

• Try to get sushi day for Thurs just to get a dry run for it, before we get into April

- Will coordinate with Sushi Lovers, to see if we can get one off sushi day on March 10
- Will be ordered through Munch a Lunch
- Look out for announcements this coming week
- We can also look at Win-Win Chicken days
- Used to be all Wed and Thu for food days, now slowly adding more

Krispy Kreme Fundraising

- On right now, going on until this Wed (last day to purchase)
- Box of 12, selling for \$13
- Donuts delivered following week, with pickup at front of school

Band Music

- Band donation
- Ms. Khoo received a donation of music sheets from retiring teacher with 4 filing cabinets in size (to come over Spring Break)
- Expects these to be stored at Wowk, and not travelling with her
- Person is asking for honorarium, sharing with PAC and school of \$200 in total
- Value of these music sheets are in thousands

Extra Curricular Ideas

- PAC brings in a few programs, Art or Dance, for whole school community but we haven't been able to do it except for mural
- Bouncing ideas on what we can do towards end of year
 - Opening that up to everyone to see if they have ideas
 - Hiphop dance, K pop dance, other sports like tennis, badminton, fencing, ultimate
 - We are thinking for after spring break
- - Will open this to the staff as well to see what ideas they have
 - Maybe supplement PE programs, or dance
 - Look at what Track and Field looks after the break. We've missed for 2 years now (for Gr 3 and up)

- Will try to find a nice balance for teachers
- - Sports Day
 - Ms. Gustafson and Ms. Teng are thinking of Sports Day for school
 - PAC in the past have brought in food truck, and M&M Meat Shop do BBQ

Mural Project

• Date has not been set for unveiling yet

Outdoor Ed

- Planning for 2023 Outdoor Ed kids
- Default location is Cheakamus Camp in Squamish
- The earlier we can pay deposit to secure camp is better
- Normally outdoor ed is something that is over 2-3 days and we have transportation cost for kids
- Last year, we were able to do it over 1 day, but hopefully can bring it back to its full capacity next year

Principal's Admin Report

- -Looking at different ways to connect with families, and different times of day
- What is happening in Ukraine
 - Happening in conjunction of pandemic
 - See how this is impacting our students and having some conversations with our kids
 - Thinking of mental health of students, and anxiety, and how we can help each other
 - Chances are students are going to be talking about this in the school
 - Hope to help develop mentally how to have conversations with this
 - Some things we will talk about:

- Mindful of biases and how people's level of understanding influence how your child thinks
- Understanding issues with multiple perspectives
- Stick to the facts, based on overview of what is happening (e.g. based on an article)
- This is not how everybody in this country acts, don't demonize people
- Giving kids the opportunity what they can do, or how they can help
 - This is where the conversation comes in, e.g. fundraising, advocating
- More to come and important for school staff to take on this work

• All students received 5 rapid test kits

- Ask students to hand those to parents/guardians right away from backpack
- Instructions to use is in an email with links

• Mural

- Mindful of, and have timely unveiling
- We cannot have gatherings so far, but spring would be a better time to do it, and hopefully by that time we can invite more families (after Spring break)

Report Cards

- Parent Portal is a means to provide information and reports to parents, using MyEd portal
 - In March, will not receive hard copy of report card
 - Parents need to log in to MyEd portal space and access report card digitally
 - Province is really supporting the use of MyEd portal
 - Pros: Saves a ton of paper, and ensures it gets directly to parent, and can access even if they are away
 - Cons: Learning how to get there, passwords
 - If parents have no access to a device, they can request a hard copy from the school

- Any questions, please call the school
- Important is a conversation with the family first, and important to talk as a family about the report card
- Using paper report cards, might be a tricky situation if all students get all the report card at the same time, then it might become a "public" situation
 - With MyEd, it is safer for the students to have a conversation with their family about the report cards first

Volleyball

- Two terms because successful
- May explore basketball in 3rd term
- Thank Mr. Woo and Mr. Angman to enable volleyball

• K to 12 Protocols

- Moving forward, we can start opening our doors a bit more and having families in the school a bit more
- Before only individuals that come in directly to help students are allowed, e.g., Speech and Language Therapist, Counsellor
- Now we can invite more people in
- Parents: If you are looking to talk with your child's teacher, please call the school and make an appointment
 - Make sure mandatory health declaration
 - Going to only your designated spaces
 - Sign in when arrive at school
- We can now have school assemblies and school events
 - As a staff, working through this to see how to do this safely
 - More info to come
- Parents did tremendous job in supporting kids to following K to 12 protocols; and proud of staff

Conferences

- Thank you for connecting with your child's teacher
- For most teachers, this conference used to be student led, but some teachers went to do 1-on-1

- Some teachers may be holding off a little bit, and maybe doing it in a different manner, like doing it outside (different teachers have different comfort levels)
- Appreciate everyone's understanding and flexibility with that

Track and Field

- Haven't done this for 2 years
- We are in the better spot, but don't know if there will be district track meetings
- In the past, schools spent 3rd term learn, and then having competitions in Track and Field at Minoru
- Don't know if it will happen in that scope and scale, but we do know we can still take on the learning with students
 - Can still do Track Attack and learn about the sport of Track and Field
- We can do possible school competition or partner with 1 or 2 schools for smaller competition

Sports Day

- Potential for June, might be able to invite families
- More to come