Bayside Middle School PAC

Meeting Minutes September 20th, 2021

Opening

The regular meeting of the Bayside Middle School PAC was called to order at 7:00 PM in the Bayside Library by Vice Chair Magda Kingsley, in absence of Chair Sarah Christine Beaman.

Present

Roll call was completed, present were Mike Peters, Lillian Wilbur, Derek Kingsley, Magda Kingsley, Rae Dennett, Shu Franey, Alyson King, Trinia Simonson, Riki Peacok, Jolyn McCreash, Maren Mason, Jennifer Carson, Sarah Lynn, Christopher Roberts, and Michelle Cooper.

Approval of Minutes

The previous minutes were read for review, Shu motioned for approval, Mike seconded, and the minutes were passed.

Open Issues

Due to the increase in COVID-19 cases the back-to-school BBQ, and welcome back coffee that were previously discussed, were not held.

Executive Reports

Chair – Sarah Christine Beaman – Absent.

Vice Chair – Magda Kingsley - Provided update that the PAC AGM met the prior Monday to finalize transition roles to the newly elected officers.

Treasurer – Derek Kingsley – Hoodie orders are coming in and adding to our operating account. Currently we have \$5,500.00 in the operating account. The gaming account balance is \$6,100.00, however we are waiting for two cheques to the school to clear, and then the actual balance will be \$170.00. This year the school has 572 students enolled. The PAC gaming grant will be submitted soon, and we generally can expect this years grant to provide \$11-\$13,000 dollars of funding.

Turnaround time for the grant monies is expected to be 1.5-2 weeks. For the new people Mike overviewed the purpose of the gaming grant and that it provides the ability to fund many teacher requests such as the hookie stools, bouncy bans, sports equipment, some specialty activities, emergency preparedness, etc. Derek will also be submitting the BC CPAC application. Mike confirmed we will use the Facebook account for verification on this application. As Alyson monitors the Facebook account, she will receive automatic updates as this moves through. Derek will also use the baysidepac@gmail.com email and the baysidepac@gmail.com on the application.

Secretary – Lillian Wilbur - No report to provide.

Co-PAC's – First Co-PAC's meeting will be held virtually on October 14. Nidya has volunteer to take over this position. She was not present today, however, Mike will ensure she is provided all the info. Shu explained for new attendee's that the role of Co-PAC's is advocacy for all the PACs within the district. All parents are welcome to attend the meetings and she finds them very interesting, and a good place to connect with administration including the superintendent and the school board trustees.

Principle's Report:

Rae attended and reported the start of school is going very well. Many students are happy for to have a bit more freedom to move around this year with the removal of cohorts. The school has welcomed 20 new students this year and has 22 divisions. Lunch is still being staggered this year. This allows more time for the Grade 6's and 7's to be out together and utilize more equipment, then if all the grades were out together.

Lunch continues to be served in the classrooms and is being well received. The school is noticing less behavior referrals, and more kids eating and getting a better break during lunch time. Sports and clubs are getting started including Ultimate Frisbee, Rowing, and Cross Country. Basketball will be starting at the end of October. The Grade 8 Students have gotten lockers, but the school will not be rushing to get the Grade 6 and 7's lockers yet, due to proximity and crowding concerns.

Next Monday, September 27 will be a non-instruction day and the teachers will be having an Indigenous focus with Kevin Lamoreaux speaking. Orange shirt day will be September 29, and September 30th will be a non-instruction date in recognition of National Truth and Reconciliation Day. A question was posed about whether the school will be selling any orange shirts, and it was confirmed due to COVID-19 that they would not this year.

New Business:

<u>Sports Equipment:</u> Shu discussed that she substituted in one of the classrooms a couple of weeks ago and they could not find the sports equipment. Rae stated all classrooms should have their equipment. Some equipment maybe mixed up, left on the playground, etc., and placed in the outdoor storage container. Rae will check in with the faculty and see what is missing, and what can get returned to classrooms.

<u>Fundraising Position:</u> Mike discussed the PAC creating a fundraising coordinator position and his desire to be considered for this position. The group discussed and Shu made a motion to create the position and elect Mike into the position. The entire group seconded. Mike was appointed as such.

Potential fundraising ideas that Mike put forth for future consideration are continuing the Bayside hoodies, Christmas tree chipping, orange shirt sales, pink shirt sales, and Disc golf sales.

<u>Budget:</u> Rae, Sarah, and Derek will be organizing a meeting to discuss funding needs for this school year. Rae distributed a historic budget as an example of what will need to be discussed. A discussion ensued about several items including:

- Disc golf course the course is in good shape, some of the T's were taken down this summer and that calmed the traffic and garbage for the summer. Last year replacement of two baskets was funded.
- Field Trips: Previously the PAC has given \$10.00 per student, per class
- Fun Lunch: Due to COVID-19, the fun lunches still cannot return as they used to be, instead classes will continue Pod Pizza's.
- Teacher's Lunch: Last year the PAC adopted a teacher's breakfast which
 consisted of individually contained meals, that were done six times. Mike would
 like to continue these this year.
- Bouncy Bands Teachers would like more this year.

Mike requested that the school have teachers set and stay to requests. Often, they get to the early spring and have requests but don't have funding. An idea was discussed to set a contingency line item for this as well.

<u>Emergency Preparedness:</u> Shu discussed that the emergency preparedness container needs to be completely emptied and reorganized. She feels this also needs the staff and administration involved to determine which things can be thrown away. Rae will get

clarification on the back packs as well and if they can be reorganized. Shu will work out a date and solicit volunteers.

Adjournment: Mike motions for adjournment, Shu approves and the meeting is adjourned at 7:53 PM.