

BAYSIDE PAC Meeting Minutes

March 31, 2014

(Unapproved)

Attending

Tara Houle, Alexandra Donovan, Denise Tidman, Shirley Elm, Renee Johansson, Phil Large (teacher)

Call to Order

- The meeting was called to order at 7:10 p.m.

Approval of Agenda

- Motion to approve agenda: Tara Houle. Seconded: Alexandra Donovan. *Motion carried.*

Approval of Minutes of Meeting of February 2014 Minutes

- Motion to approve minutes: Tara Houle. Seconded: Alexandra Donovan. *Motion carried.*

Guest Speaker – Phil Large (Bayside Grade 8 teacher)

- Played a video of Camp Imadene
- Request for funding for grade 8 camp
 - \$10 per student plus transportation for two groups, the first May 13-14 and second May 15-16
 - Approximately 149 students to attend
 - Total cost \$3700 - \$2200 for transportation and \$1500 for student assistance
 - Phil Large to email Denise and Wayne with details after teacher meeting and to be considered at the next meeting
 - Discussion included concerns over benefit to entire student body and the PACs ability to fund given other recently approved requests, further consideration needed

Principal's Report – Shirley Elm

- School survey – great response - 652 children responded – only 4 were silly replies
 - Well received
 - Kids like that the school is broken into 3 communities
 - Like the structure but said that the principal and vice are too strict
 - Kids feel safe
 - Kids reported strong connections with teachers
- School planning day coming up in April – new school goals to be discussed
- Dress code to be discussed with students
- Appropriate electronic use to be discussed
- New inquiry area to be implemented in the library to build curiosity skills for kids
- Grade 7s completed satisfaction survey and will be used on non-instructional day for school planning

Vice-President's Report – Denise Tidman

- No report

Treasurer's Report – Tara Houle

- \$ 20,721.86 in general chequing account

- \$ 11,944.16 in gaming account
- Gaming will be used for band ties approved at March 3rd meeting
- \$1,074.62 is smile card revenue to date, lower than expected

COPACS –

No report

CPF Report – Karin Johnston

- No report

Old Business

- No report

New Business

- Math update – Tara Houle
 - Information available from BCCPAC at the following link <http://www.bccpac.bc.ca/news-blog/cross-country-calls-students-master-basic-math-facts#comment-33407>
 - math petition has gone across the country....12,000 signed in Alberta, national total 16,000
 - University of Alberta has endorsed changes to math education
 - BC Ministry announcement: <http://www.theglobeandmail.com/news/national/parents-push-alberta-back-to-math-basics/article17654746/> ,Ontario's minister response: <http://www.theglobeandmail.com/news/national/education/ontario-education-minister-wants-the-basics-learn-your-multiplication-tables/article17666049/comments/?ord=0>

Next meeting date: April 28th – 7 p.m.

Motion to adjourn: 8:24 p.m.