

BAYSIDE PAC Meeting Minutes

September 20, 2016

Attending: Darcy Winkel, Wendy MacDonald, Marti Redman, Kelly Hoffman, Tora Cameron, Lily Yee, Agnes Li, Jolene Burns, Bekkie Khan, Shannon Hamill, Gus Underwood, Sam McCandlish, Jennifer Pendray, Tamara Lorincz, Eva Jaycox and Cindy Wezenbeek. **Regrets:** Lori Smith, Andrea Nugent, Chris Wakefield, Brian James, Natalie Salem, and Sandra Arthur.

Approval of Minutes of Meeting of June 2016 Minutes

Motion to approve minutes: Gus Underwood. Seconded: Tora Cameron. *Motion carried.*

Guest Speaker –Tamara Lorincz on TD Friends of the Environment Funding Opportunity

Tamara presented a funding opportunity for Bayside School. Her background is in environmental law and policy, peace education and activism. She has previously led a green school project at an elementary school for a period of 3 years and raised a total of \$42,000. TD Friends of the Environment Foundation, in celebration of Canada's 150th next year will be supporting revitalization and stewardship of public green spaces in the amount of up to \$20,000. She has consulted with Wendy MacDonald regarding some options and she has proposed a Longhouse Outdoor classroom and Native perennial garden that will encourage land based learning and intercultural friendships. All students will have the opportunity to take part in the design and can have input into the layout of the outdoor classroom. Her cost estimate would be \$5000 for materials, \$3000 for plants and \$2000 for honorariums for elders advice. She proposes we ask for \$16,000 from the TD Friends of the Environment, she is asking for \$3000 from PAC and \$1000 from the Fruit Growers Association grant from last year. Tamara will do all the funding requests. Cindy made a motion for PAC to approve support for this project and funding and Gus seconded. All members present were in favour. *Motion carried.*

Chair Report – Marti Redman

- So very proud of this dynamic group of people that have come together to represent the school on the PAC this year! Really pleased with this positive Back to School vibe!
- Looking forward to a fabulous, fun-filled, positive year of partnership with the school to create the best environment possible! Looking to connect with many Bayside families through our communication, our events and school spirit that we are continuing to build and maintain.
- Continue to be the Voice of the Parents in the school and encourage parents to participate as best they can.
- Pens - plan for pens to go in school supply orders fell through so now selling along with sunglasses/cinch bags.
- Joint project with school to order 650 Orange Shirt Day buttons so every child will have one to honor September 30th Orange Shirt Day. All attendees at the meeting got one...wear it proudly on September 30th. \$117 cost.
- Review Vision created in February 2016 that made plan for this year – Set our course for this year...build new one in February 2017
- Clothing is on sale this week with a deadline of Friday, September 23rd. Seems to be lots of interest but time will tell on orders. Toque is new and zip hoody is same material as pullover plus option of black or grey.
- Sunglasses – ordered 150 pairs – sold about 15 so far - agreed to spend ½ with the school – cost \$541.97 – paid by the PAC at this time and we will try to sell through the Shark Shop and special events – reevaluate and potentially invoice the school for half later and then use for spirit gifts and such. Cinch bags – bought 150 – selling for \$5 each and will sell through Shark Shop as well and at special PAC events – cost \$696.05
- Would like to look at what we'd like to do to continue to celebrate the totem.
- Survey the kids, parents and staff at the school – How to best approach? - Alice to help with...anyone else?

- Christmas Craft Fair? PAC to participate?
- We have two special lunches planned before Christmas – any other PAC events?
- Have asked Wendy to look at helping to set up a parent information night around the new curriculum.

PAC PLANNING DAY February 16, 2016

TOP PRIORITIES	STRATEGIES AND ACTION PLANS		
	February – June 2016	September – December 2016	January – June 2017
School Experience and School Atmosphere	May Celebration: May 26 th 6 – 9pm (open house) Totem and Sign Carving June Year-end Outdoor BBQ and Sports (noon – 1:30 pm) PAC (Lori & Darcy) to attend staff collaborative: Tuesday (ask how PAC can help BSMS?)	Welcome Back Parent Coffee/Tea Back to school September BBQ & PAC to speak to parents PAC to speak to staff in fall to ask how PAC can help BSMS best? Two Special PAC Themed Lunches Participate in Bayside Christmas Fair?	Two Special PAC Themed Lunches May Celebration (open house) June Year end Outdoor BBQ and Sports (noon – 1:30 pm)
Parental Involvement and Communication	FAQ Parent Night: March 2 nd “How to advocate for your child” PAC “reaching out” to our Network Systems in Community	FAQ Work with COPACS and BCTF to host parent information nights PAC “reaching out” to our Network Systems in Community	FAQ Work with COPACS and BCTF to host parent information nights PAC “reaching out” to our Network Systems in Community
Financial Support ... fundraising	Apply for gaming grant	School supplies Donation from September BBQ Special Event? PAC Themed Lunches	Apply for gaming grant Special Event? Get organized for School Supplied in June. PAC Themed Lunches

Vice Chair Report – Lori Smith

I would like to give a very warm welcome to all the new grade 6 parents at Bayside and to everyone returning as well. Last year was a transition year for the PAC where we had to look at our purpose and goals for the future. We have come up with a very exciting road map of what we want our PAC to look like and I am looking forward to our year. So, before we begin the year it is important to look at some of the rules that we are governed by.

The PAC is governed by a constitution and bylaws, they are located on the PAC website, and the link is here:

<https://bayside.sd63.bc.ca/mod/folder/view.php?id=2934>

It is really important that you have a look at this document. The PAC is a parent run committee and all parents in the school are members. We have a code of ethics and rules governing our meetings. So please take a look.

Section 2 is our purpose; the PAC currently has listed 8 items on our purpose.

SECTION 2: PURPOSE

1. To promote effective communication between the home and school.
2. To promote improvements in the educational program, facilities and atmosphere of Bayside Middle School with a view to enhancing the school experience.
3. To encourage parents/guardians to participate in meaningful educational activities and decision making.
4. To strengthen the role of families in education.
5. To organize PAC activities and events.
6. To contribute to the effectiveness of the school by promoting the involvement of parents/guardians and other community members.
7. To advise the principal and staff on parents views on any matter relating to the school programs, policies, plans and activities.
8. To provide financial support for the goals of the Council, as determined by the membership.

When we had our visioning it was interesting to see how each one of these purpose statements was a priority for different people on the PAC. As we make our decisions and move forward we need to keep these 8 statements in mind.

Secretary Report – Darcy Winkel

- The PAC BBQ was well attending, we estimate about 400 were in attendance. This is similar numbers to last years BBQ. Any leftover meat was handed out the next day by Steve Newlove, and the kids were so excited to get a cold hotdog or hamburger patty. The total cost of the BBQ was \$1363.41, with \$235 in cash donations the night of the BBQ. The school split the cost of the BBQ with PAC, which left our bill to pay for the night at \$564.21.
- Darcy met with the staff at the first staff meeting of the school year to introduce PAC and our vision. There has been a PAC communications list posted in the staff room so staff can get ahold of us if needed.

Treasurer Report – Tora Cameron

- At the beginning of August, we had \$11,449 in our operating account and \$7852 in our gaming account.
- At the October PAC meeting we will look at funding requests for the school.

CPF Report - Andrea Nugent

- We will be giving the FI/ Core French program \$500 to spend on resources as they need/ wish.
- Magazine fundraiser rolls out in early October. This is our main fundraiser and traditionally funds have been pretty good. Schools use these funds for guest artists, performers or events etc. Please support. :)

Communications Report – Cindy Wezenbeck

- Cindy Wezenbeck and Natalie Salem will take care of the webpage, Facebook account and emailing that will need to be done for PAC.
- All messages sent to the gmail account will be for the PAC as a whole.

Special Foods Events Coordinator - Lily Yee

- Our first PAC themed lunch will be on Tuesday, October 25, and it will be Halloween themed. PAC will be able to keep 100% of all money raised. Lily is open to any help offered and bring your ideas.
- Jolene asked if we will be taking pre-orders for food. It was suggested that if families pre-order their Halloween themed lunch, they will save \$1.00 off their order total. It was also suggested that we advertise our menus for our themed lunches.
- It was suggested to have something vegetarian offered to students.

COPACS – Kelly Hoffman

- Nothing to report at this time, the first meeting of the school year will be on October 6th.

Fundraising Committee – Chris Wakefield and Brian James

- Chris and Brian will look at fundraising efforts that bring our school community together. Some ideas they have are a movie night, car rally and a special fundraising event at our May celebration. They are open to all ideas.

Principal's Report – Wendy MacDonald

Upcoming dates to note:

- Weekly Thursdays: Pizza Lunch
- Sep 27-30: ABL Trip (Wendy attending, with Richard Cook & Rod Macdonald)
- Sep 30: Orange Shirt Day/quote of the day/buttons/activities
- Oct 12: Gr. 6 Immunization Day
- Heliset Hale-suicide awareness relay during the month of September
- Oct 12-13: Early Dismissal Day & Parent Teacher Interviews
- **Information to Report:**
- Yeah! For a grand start and welcoming start up at the PAC BBQ
- Total Students attending Bayside: 571, almost 40% French, and 60% English with 18 different languages

- Total Divisions: 21
- New Roof details: On schedule, going well. Finish phase 1 mid-November.

New Business – New PAC Members

Marti Redman motioned that Cindy Wezenbeck and Natalie Salem be voted in as the Communications liaison. Tora Cameron seconded. ***Motion carried.***

Meeting adjourned at 8:00 pm

Next PAC meeting will be Oct. 18, 6:30 Bayside Learning Commons