

## **PAC Meeting Minutes - September 28, 2023**

### **1. Welcome**

- Serena introduces PAC Exec
- PAC includes all parents
- PAC does hot lunches, Friday Night Fun Fair, after school programs, and the PAC Exec connects parents to the school

### **2. Upcoming Programs:**

- Sophia is assisting with the fruit/veggie program and hot lunch coordinator:
  - still using c'est mon café for the hot lunches with compostable packaging
  - CMC doesn't provide cutlery – parents remember to include all cutlery
  - hot lunch can be ordered every Monday and Wednesday, and pizza lunch is every Friday
- Alvin speaking on Pizza Lunch:
  - starting next week pizza is coming back
  - this year vendor is Panago, pizza's are bigger than last year and the price is better than Pizza Hut last year
  - most funds raised through pizza lunch benefits the Strathcona camp for grade 7's
  - pizza will be individually packed and grade 7's will be delivering to classrooms

### **3. English Conversation Club**

- program with Settlement Program and set up 1.5 hour circle of conversation – each week is a different theme and themes are based around conversation topics and school
- the program is planned to start in November

### **4. After school programs**

- most of the programs have started this week and one is starting next week
- if interested, please go to PAC website
- there will be more programs starting in the winter and PAC will send an update of when those are available for registration

### **5. Volunteer Coordinator – Navi**

- Navi thanks everyone for coming out to PAC events thus far and everyone that's volunteered; still in need of class parents and class photographers, specifically for divisions 3 and 4 Ms. Wong and Ms. Williston's class but there is overall needs in all divisions

- other volunteer roles available right now is Holiday Hamper for families in need and Friday Night Fun Fair – we need a lot of coordinators for raffle, and other smaller volunteer roles
- also need a sports day coordinator – this volunteer would coordinate snacks, hydration etc.
- there's more information on website and description of each volunteer role available – if there's any questions please contact Navi or the PAC email

6. Secretary – Naomi nominates Kiran Duhra for secretary and Joyce seconds

7. Direct Drive – Leah and Jennie

- Leah is coordinating DD with Jennie Mickelson
- DD is the single largest fundraiser for the school – we don't sell things other than hot lunches, we do DD
- it's a once a year fundraiser in October and funds go directly to this school
- all the donations are eligible for a tax receipt and can be made online thru the school cash online
- more info will be coming home in mid-October and runs for two weeks only
- where do funds go? Smartboards, books for library, playground – every dollar is super important to the children of this school and benefits all the children in this school
- we usually funds not just equipment, but also dance programs and cultural programs, literacy programs like Raz Kids
- we hope that every family can participate whether it's large or small
- this year we're hoping to start with a spirit day launch to create some excitement for its launch
- if you have any questions please contact the PAC

8. Budget - Simon speaks to the highlights of the 2 big sources of revenue: hot lunch (pizza and hot lunch)

- this year there is a new initiative to pay for partial expenses for the afterschool programs to some families in need of \$1000
- increasing Gr. 7 Strathcona funds due to increased students
- gaming account of \$5000 we can use towards workshops and Gr.7 trip
- less students are ordering hot lunch compared to last year so budgeted revenue from it may be less than expected

9. Principal Report - Ms. Parin

- Ms. Morgan the interim principal gives background info of herself
- talks to the enrollment (279)
- this year there has been a few changes with teachers and there are 2 new resource teachers
- Cross country is underway from K to Gr.7
- Volleyball starts mid October
- Mr. Singh wants to thank PAC for DD funds
- 2 student teachers joining for experience

10. Approval for last meeting minutes AGM - Navi S. and Leah approved