PAC MINUTES - Nov 2023

Pender Harbour Secondary School PAC

Date | time Nov 6, 2023 | Meeting called to order at 5:34 pm by Chairperson Anne Pino

ATTENDANCE / INTRODUCTIONS

Anne Pino (Chair), Mary Mackay (Vice-Chair), Jodee Young (Treasurer), Jeni Stafford (Secretary), Chris Lekakis (Principal), Debbie Martins (Hot Lunch & DPAC), Tanis Zayshley, Melanie Ewen, Patti Soos (Community School), Carole Logtenberg

AGENDA AND MINUTES

The agenda for tonight's meeting was approved a minor revision.

The minutes from the last meeting (Oct 16, 2023) were approved.

REPORTS / PRESENTATIONS

<u>Treasurer's Report - Jodee Young</u>

We have had deposits for our chicken fundraiser: \$11,115 to date.

We will be paying for the BCC PAC membership: \$75.

The Bursary cheque from last year cleared.

Community School - Patti Soos

All-Age Community Sports

Picketball: Tuesday and Thursday evenings from 5:30 to 7:30

Hockey: Tuesdays at 8:00

Badminton: Wednesdays at 6 (coordinated by Matthew Phillips)

Volleyball: TBC in the New Year. We are looking into a core class.

Other potential community activities:

Art classes

Certification courses

Felting

Comic book

Let us know if you there are any particular community activities you would like to see.

DPAC

Debbie Martins volunteered to be our DPAC Rep. Thank you Debbie!

All parents are welcome to attend DPAC Meetings, in person or via zoom. More information can be found here: https://sd46.bc.ca/families-and-students/dpac/. The next meeting will be Nov 23rd at 7 pm. Location TBC. The minutes from previous meetings can be found at the link.

HOT LUNCH Update - Debbie Martins

Julie is buying pizza on Wednesday. Thank you Julie!

Chris added: Tax receipts are available from the district.

Principal's Report - Chris Lekakis

Meeting discussion notes appear in italics.

1. <u>Scholarship Presentation Tonight: Brittany Palmer</u> - Via Zoom; Gr 12s in-person with their workbooks. *Millions in scholarship funds go unclaimed every year so this information and the workbooks should be helpful for grades 12 for sure but also even grades 10 & 11. The cost of the presentation is \$500 and the workbooks are \$20 each.*

2. Temporary Bussing Changes

- Egmont Express is running-feedback has been positive. *Shari has been filling this role*.
- How you can help? Refer anyone interested in working as a Bus Driver to reach out with any questions/concerns/expressions of interest. *Referral bonuses might be available*.
- 3. <u>Fieldtrips</u> School wide Remembrance Day Ceremony @Madeira Park Legion, 1:30pm on Thursday, November 9th, 2023.
- 4. <u>Rotary Youth Update</u> Short-term (2-3 week) and long-term exchange options available. *See Chris for pamphlets and applications*.

5. Parent WEEK AT A GLANCE & Planner Usage

- Trying to engage parent community more
- Any feedback?

There will be more and more emphasis on getting students to use them.

The cost of planners for the school is \$20 per book.

6. <u>Cell Phone Policy</u> - With second term starting we will be more vocal with students and require your support in making sure that they are not being used during instructional time.

7. Sports Teams in the Fall

- Volleyball: Boys Playoff Game on Tuesday @ 2:30pm
- Girls Volleyball on Thursday at Elphi -Tentative
- Winners for either will advance to Zone Semis/Finals
- If they win there they will go to Provincials may need financial support

Thank you to Mary, Julie and other volunteers for helping with the sports programs.

The next sport will be basketball.

- 8. <u>Grade 7 Leadership Initiative</u> Students from all elementary schools meeting and leading Initiatives for Inclusion and Equity and supported by older Leadership students
- 9. Food safe being offered to all Grade 10-12s
 - Cathy Gordon to run with our students
 - Grade 10/11/12 students completing FOODSAFE on November 28th

There is a significant cost for the books. It is important for students to take the program seriously.

Thanks to the PAC for your continued support.

OLD BUSINESS

Water Testing

Chris explained that he had planned to do a blind test tonight with the PAC but the samples he gathered were frozen. He further explained that the water is tested regularly by regional and provincial authorities BC Gov and Vancouver Coastal Health). There are multiple levels of filtration.

Whistler Trip

Chris updated the group on the status of the Whistler trip planning. The request has been sent to the Whistler Snow School. Our trip schedule will depend on the days they have available. Chris proposed that it might be a good idea for the school or PAC to purchase a membership with Tyrell Lodge to offset some of the cost of accommodation.

Chicken Fundraiser

The deadline to order is Nov 8th. We have 28 orders via eTransfer so far. Jodee is still waiting on the shipping details.

Grad Fundraising

Nov 25th is the deadline for Purdy's.

Chris explained there has to be an adult involved in the fundraising projects (at least in a supervisory role).

A grad social media page will be available.

Quiz night - November

First Aid Certificates

PAC members expressed concern about the certificates for completing the first aid course. Students can't start the NL course without the first aid certificate. Chris explained that there was a delay at the district level with payment.

NEW BUSINESS

Samosa Fundraiser

Jodee will coordinate a Dec Samosa PAC fundraiser.

Book Fair

Carole is coordinating the December Scholastic Book Fair at the elementary school.

ADJOURNMENT & NEXT MEETING

The meeting was adjourned at 6:20 pm.

The next regular PAC meeting will be Dec 11th at 5:30.

Future meetings will be the 2nd Monday of each month at 5:30pm (Dec 11, Jan 15, Feb 12, Mar 11, Apr 8, May 13, & Jun 10).