

PHSS PAC, General Meeting
Monday, October 3rd, 2022, PHSS and via Zoom

ATTENDANCE: Chris Lekakis, Anne Pino, Jodee Young, Mary MacKay, Cherie Stone, Katrina Bishop, Tanis Zayshley, Melanie Ewen, Chey Howitt, Julie Roth, Carole Logtenberg, Bill Gilkes, Samantha Haines

CALL TO ORDER: 5:56 PM

Principal's Report

-Truth and Reconciliation

- events were held at PHSS and in the community. The DHSL rep is Katie. Taking a 'snapshot' of where the kids' knowledge is showed some gaps, in particular in younger grades. ProD days are focusing on 'Ensouling Our Schools', and Truth and Reconciliation is a part of that.
- New reporting system for learning and report cards is being discussed as well.
- Trauma-informed practice is also a focus.
- Leilani, Sharlene and Katie led assemblies with Miss Prasad, and there was good dialogue.

Service providers

- Nurse practitioner will be doing a youth clinic. She will run a 'mini-clinic' at PHSS every second Tuesday. Any student has access.
- Child and youth mental health - counsellors coming, through referrals from IST counsellor.
- Youth outreach and community school - Darcy Murray, Shyanne and Patti are available through the community school, and Sunshine Coast Community Services will come to the school soon.
- Substance Abuse Counsellor Jordan Griggs can also be accessed through school referral.
- The overarching idea is to make the school a hub for help and services.

IEP

- Mr. Vallee will be contacting parents regarding IEP - Individual Education Plans - if there are any issues.

Hot Lunch

- Cindy Schroeder has been a huge help with both hot breakfast and also 'saving the day' with hot lunch.
- Anne said that Marcus is good for October, and Cindy is available if more help is needed. Generally speaking, more help is needed. It was suggested that, ideally, we would know a couple of months ahead of time who is making the hot lunch and where the money is coming from, so as to avoid any gaps in the provision of hot lunch.
- Accounting for hot lunch - Anne said that in order to get a tax receipt it has to go to the school district, and then come back to PHSS. Any help with that would be great. Chris said

we did things a certain way during Covid, but can change it up now. When donation happens, there will be a dedicated account set up for hot lunch money.

- Cherie - DPAC has said if we write a letter explaining the needs of our kids, that several of them rely on these breakfasts and lunches, we could be allotted more money so that it's factored more by need than by numbers. Chris said he makes that point as well at the principal/manager level. Sam said funding decisions come through DPAC, to be approved by the Board of Trustees. She thinks that would happen by mid-November.
- Community School report - Chris thinks 35 to 40% of our kids access services through the community school. That's high for the coast. A letter would provide good backup for the numbers by relaying the personal stories and reality of our situation here.
- The Oak Tree is doing all the hot lunches this month, with Cindy as a backup if necessary. For November, Anne says Julie has it under control. Bill will contact Julie and Cindy regarding November's lunches.
- Chris made the point that Cindy takes care of hot breakfast three times a week, and we don't want to burn her out, so perhaps for hot lunches Julie could be the first contact. Bill asked if parents can help out, and Chris said that if they weren't preparing, and only serving, he didn't think they needed their Food Safe certificate. He will check on that.

Cross-curricular field trips

- Grade 12 will be going to Chatelech for a post-secondary fair on Monday, November 7th. There will be campus tours, but the date is not yet set.
- Volleyball - have been set up with email connecting to other division 1 smaller schools. Hoping to do some tournaments. Possibly will do an overnight trip to Squamish and maybe Whistler. There are enough girls and boys signed up for teams for each.
- School photo day and grad photos are happening, and retakes on Nov. 4th.
- Sugar-bowl, for grade 7 kids, is a big post-halloween sports day. Nov. 1st.
- Science World and Aquarium trips are coming up in the next two weeks, grades 7 to 10
- Mary asked if there would be a ski trip this year. Chris said we're waiting to hear back on their availability. The ski school hasn't opened yet. Whistler provides five free days for kids. He would try to get a trip in before Spring break so kids don't miss out on family trips.
- A bigger trip would require fundraising and would have to happen during March break. Shorter trips are more likely this year.

Treasurer's Report by Jodee Young

- No need to go over in detail as this was in the last meeting's minutes, but it should be noted that we received \$2000 from the gaming grant.

Next general meeting was set for Monday, November 7th, at 5:30pm, hybrid - zoom and in person.

ADJOURNED: 6:27 pm

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