## McCammon Elementary PAC

# MEETING MINUTES OCTOBER 2024

## OCTOBER 10TH, 2024 / 6:00 PM / MULTIPURPOSE ROOM

# CALL TO ORDER, INTRODUCTIONS, AND WELCOME

#### **INTRODUCTIONS**

#### LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

We are privileged to meet this evening on the Sto:lo traditional and unceded territory of the Pilalt, Ch-ihl-kway-uhk (Chill-Qway-Ick) and Sema:th tribes where we work, learn and play.

Called to order at 6:04 p.m.

#### Attendance:

Noel Sharman, Tslandia Van Ry, Michelle, Isabelle, Lori, Jessica, Matthew, Anna, Pam, Kathy

### AGENDA AND MINUTES APPROVAL

- Agenda Approval
  - Motioned by Anna
  - Seconded by Pam
- Minutes Approval
  - Motioned by Pam
  - Seconded by Matthew

## Presentation or Special Guests

None.

## OFFICER AND STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

- Chairperson's Welcome
  - Michelle welcomed everyone and expressed her hopes for a shorter meeting than last month.
- Principal/Vice-Principal's Report
  - Staffing Update
    - Grade 3 classroom update position was accepted but the candidate backed out.

- Interim teacher (Ms Renata) is working well with the students in the mean time.
- Will let people know once plans are solidified, waiting on HR.

#### o Other

- Building envelope
  - Windows are going in. Front should be mostly done by the end of October.
- Fall Fun Day
  - Creating a pumpkin patch at the school (instead of taking kids to pumpkin patch to cut down on costs to families)
  - Hoping for funds from PAC to pay for the pumpkins.
    - Motioned by Matthew to pay for the pumpkins (up to \$600) from the gaming account (as it is a school-wide activity)
    - Seconded by Pam
    - o All in favour
  - Popcorn sale? Noel suggested that the PAC sell popcorn at this event.
  - Possibly watching a movie, classes will have their own activities too.
- Hot Lunch Days and Spirit Days
  - Confirming dates with PAC
    - o Oct 24
    - Nov 22
    - o Jan 31
    - o Feb 21
    - o March 14
    - o Apr 17
    - o May 9
    - o Jun 13
- Mural Update
  - Carrielynn Victor met last week with administrators.
  - Looking at a month to complete the work.
  - Front of building/entrance area (approx 60ft).
  - Community survey to go out to get ideas from parents, teachers, and Skway. Will go out via email.
  - Initial estimate of \$6000

## O Upcoming events:

- Oct 11 Student photos
- Oct 14 Thanksgiving holiday
- Oct 15 Soccer game vs Greendale at McCammon
- Oct 16 and 17 Hub Bike Program
- Oct 16 Parent Teacher conferences (2-530)
- Oct 17 Earthquake drill 10:15
- Oct 18 Early dismissal 11:00
- Oct 22 Soccer Game vs LaVerendrye at McCammon
- Oct 23 Lockdown drill 11:00
- Oct 24 Fall Fun Fair
- Oct 25 Provincial ProD Day
- Oct 28 Oct 31 Inline skating (PE classes), Scholastic Book Fair
- Oct 31 Black and orange day. Kids will be allowed to wear costumes but keep in mind that the kids may get them wet or dirty. Noel suggested a back-up costume, not the one they are planning to wear in the evening.
- Nov 1 ProD Day

#### Treasurer's Report

- A lot of money coming in from coupon book sales.
- O Hot lunch 9th End Cafe

# • DPAC Report

- BCCPAC had multiple executives leave triggered byelection. A lot of conversation revolved around this.
- Scheduling events, priorities.
- Anti-bullying, anti-racism
- School infrastructure and aquisition
  - Developers pay fee towards this fund.
  - Worries about real estate costs.
- Presentation about the book Secret Pocket by the author.

#### Fundraising Committee

- Coupon book finished, \$450 profit
- Neufeld Farms end of the month
- Clothing drive taking clothing, toy, book donations and reselling to the community
- December concert raffle
- January possibly Mitchell's soups
- Fundraising goals:

- School has no tech needs right now (AV equipment is in good condition) but Noel will check with teachers.
- Matthew suggested getting equipment to allow for broadcasting PAC meetings to allow for more attendance.
- Hot Lunch Committee
  - o \$225 from the last hot lunch day.
  - O Normally buy a few extra (10 or so).

## **SPECIAL COMMITTEE REPORTS**

- Inclusion, Diversity, and Accessibility Committee
  - O Matthew recommends Rooted Waters short videos that talk about local indigenous bands and their history.
- Christmas Lunch Committee
  - O Deferred. On the agenda for next staff meeting to discuss what they'd like PAC to do.
- Grade 5 Year End Celebration Committee
  - O Christmas Concert front row raffle again.
  - O Waterslides again? As long as it feels "special" as a gr 5 celebration (since the school does the waterslides all together in early June).
  - Suggested polling the students.

#### SPECIAL ORDERS

None at this time.

#### Unfinished Business and General Orders

None.

## **New Business**

- Art lessons?
  - Maybe in the spring after the building envelope is completed.
- Bottle Depot
  - Pam opened an Express account under the school's phone number and PAC
    email address. Minimum of \$10 for e-transfer deposit, \$50 for a physical cheque.
  - Anyone can donate using the school's phone number using the express system.
  - Noel suggested getting a flyer made with this information for parents.
- Bathroom Locks
  - Two stalls in the girls bathroom near Strongstart have been reported as not working. Noel will get maintenance to look into this.
- Field Trip

- O Matthew had concerns about the field trip that happened today (Lindeman Lake). The group got all stretched out so Matthew was concerned that there were some students being supervised by parent volunteers that may not have had their criminal record checks.
- O Matthew was surprised that there were not walkie talkies available to keep communication open between the different groups. School does have walkie talkies available, but they weren't brought on this trip.
- O Noel will make sure to discuss these concerns with teachers.

## **NEXT MEETING**

Next meeting is Thursday, Nov 14, 2024, at 6:00 p.m. in the Multipurpose Room.

# **ADJOURNMENT**

Meeting adjourned at 7:10 p.m.