Confederation Park Elementary PAC Agenda

Location: Online Zoom
Date: September 19, 2024
*Time: 6:30 pm - 7:30 pm
Facilitator: Shaen Golden
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Attendance:

MEETING PROCEDURES		
6:30 pm	*The Confed community would like to acknowledge that we live, work, learn, and play on the unceded and traditional territories of the xʷməθkʷəy̓əm (Musqueam), sḵwx̱wú7mesh (Squamish), and səlílwitulh (Tsleil Waututh) people.*	
	Call to Order & Welcome	Shaen Golden
AGENDA ITEMS		
	Introductions by PAC committee • Shaen Golden - Chair • Nicole Baldin – Vice-Chair • Nancy O'Brien –Treasurer • Maite Mayeta - Co-Secretary • Wendy Li Cheah - Co-Secretary • Kathleen Pennykid – DPAC rep	Shaen Golden
	Principal's Report 1. Thank you for providing coffee and a warm welcome to families returning or starting at Confed. during the first week of school. 2. Finding Our Place theme. We have had students participate on our Cross country running team, thanks to Ms. Douglas and Ms. McKenna who have coached the teams, had a successful Terry Fox run and have raised approximately$900 to date. Ms. Ishi has started choir and we have a large and enthusiastic group of grade 7 students in Band once again this year. 3. New teaching staff for this school year are Erica Corsi who is teaching our gr. 5/6 class, and Ms. Haddock who is	Reg LaPlante

	our new school counselor. Ms. Murphy has returned from leave working 3 days a week with Mr. Williams working the other two days until Ms. Murphy returns to full time. We also have Ms. Diana Chui as a new Educational Assistant at our school. We still have one half time EA position to be filled. We have some new District staff that will also be joining team. Ms. Sung is our new speech language pathologist, and Mis Wilson is our new Indigenous Education Resource teacher. All of our new staff have been a great addition to the community. 4. Thank you for making the time to engage in our Welcome Conversations. The information that families shared and the goals that were set are incredibly important as they get to know their classes in terms of both strengths and stretches. 5. We will be using our webpage as the main communication tool with families for both school and community information. I will still send out information as I have done this month but will do so as needed and in a more timely manner than waiting for a monthly newsletter. 6. National Day for Truth and Reconciliation and Orange Shirt Day, a variety of in class work and a whole school project that will visually represent our country's progress in achieving the 94 calls of action that came from the Truth and Reconciliation Commission. 7. In the next few weeks we have our IEP meetings scheduled October 11-13 and 18-19. 8. FSA's for Gr. 4 and 7 students will be completed sometime before the beginning of November. A reminder that the Foundational Skills Assessment does not impact individual student school assessments or reporting. The assessments gives the Ministry Information about how we	

	are doing as a provincial system. In order for the data to be representative, we are hoping to have more students write this year. This also provides a low stakes chance to practice writing a standardized exam which they will need to do later in their school career. 9. Clubs starting shortly are the ceiling tile club, Confed. Park News, club, Boomerang club, theatre club, and Playground Pals. We are also pleased to say that we have volleyball coaches, and we will be able to run both girl's and boy's teams this year. Recently raised $900 so far for Terry Fox run & fundraising. Will continue for the remainder of the month.	
	Treasurer Update • Update on financial activity • *it's the same as last year - $60K in the bank • Looking at other fundraising options for this year in addition to prior year successes. • Purdy's fundraiser is back on! Looking for corporate and private purchases to increase fundraising from last year's goals https://fundraising.purdys.com/1766804-118691 Chair Update **Art Show Friday November 15th, 2024** • Tickets - no admittance fee? Not open to the general public, but option to share out to close circle of friends/family/grandparents. • Tickets are good based on fire code rules and # → will get it to Reg number of seated and vs. standing. • Food - Looking at options for potluck like prior years or hiring a vendor • VOTE passed- It was voted for appetizer/potluck • More appetizers vs. actual meal offerings. Charcuterie board- we will have a sign-up sheet so people can put their names down what they're planning to bring.	Nancy O'Brien Shaen Golden and Nancy O'Brien

	• Callout for silent auction donations / expertise they can offer - looking for experiences in addition to actual physical items • Possible online auction - Bid Beacon, if we're raising under $15K, there's no admin fee. You can do it simultaneously. • Consider a QR code for all items you can also choose how to pay (via website/app) • Principal Reg and his band will play one short set (donated) • Photobooth for $500 option? Nancy to look at options for cost • **CALLOUT!! LOOKING FOR DONATIONS! Experience for families and parents; any one of you know of vendors that are willing to donate, please let us know. (new and gently used items).** • "Have Lunch With the Principal" and "Be Principal for the Day" to return for the silent auction. • Harp player contact from Kathleen Pennykid • Raffle? 50/50 tickets? Toonie Toss? This means obtaining licensing asap however the raffle and liquor sales weren't very much last year • Art be by donation vs. a set price with recommended pricing (and store bought items to be set as is). **Nancy to check with vendor**. • Kindergarten/gr. 1 had a challenge to buy the art last year so perhaps online purchases should be considered? **Hot Lunch:** • Deadline for ALL ORDERS for Term 1 and payment before Sept 21st on MunchALunch.com • New vendor: High 5 Chicken. • Dominos, Subway, White Spot, and YY Sushi are continuing. **Terry Fox Run:** • Run happening Friday September 20th, 2024. • Check the school's website	Nancy O'Brien

Memory Book:

- Committee needed to begin in October in order to have enough time and volunteers ready for end of year → send a call out for volunteers (mostly to take pictures in the beginning). Ideally 1 rep per division.
- It will be more spread out throughout the year.
- Pricing to be affordable like last year.

Movie Nights:

- Reg obtained license last year. PAC funded 50%
- Suggested Dates? Certainly do 2 movie nights again
- Volunteers needed to operate the popcorn machine and sell snacks.

Welcome back BBQ

- Thurs, Oct. 3 suggested at 3:30 to 5pm at latest Parents/caregivers to accompany their child(ren).

Plant Sale:

- This may be an option if we can keep the price competitive.

Spirit Wear:

- In process of reviewing options for clothing with the school's logo. Stay tuned for more info!

Additional items:
Questions From Parents:
-What is on the horizion for the Gr. 7 – to make it the best experience for them this year.

- Gr 7 teachers are the contacts for that.
- In previous years, PAC doesn't didn't raise funds (in other PACs, there may be a grad sub-committee)

School team will be able to support to put on fundraising information on the school's website under PAC tab .

Direct appeal as a fundraising initiative.

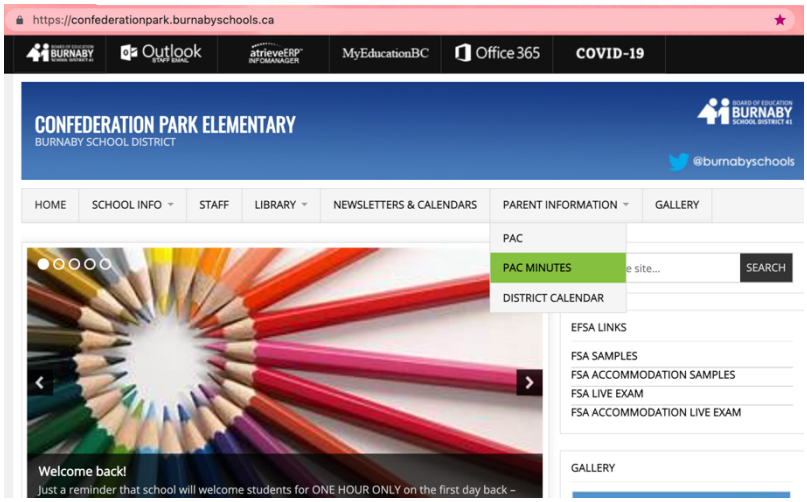
	VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES: ● Art Show ● Memory Book Committee ● Hot Lunches ● Movie Nights ● Monthly Popcorn Sales ● Purdy's Chocolate Volunteer, Christmas and Easter? ● Plant Sale? Pls send us an email is you wish to volunteer confedparkpac@gmail.com	
	District PAC The main content: - The Superintendent, gave idea about plan for the year and a little further on. - Final year of strategic plan and will get the next strategic plan going - This year 1000 students increase and expected to increase over the years - 14 ppl redirected outside of their school catchment - Look at different ways to accommodate the increase (example: staggered start times). - Overriding concern: growth in the areas and maxed out (and portables everywhere), driving issue. - Talking about more what they can do to ensure - address increase number of children. - DPAC is trying to work with the district to advocate with the school's operating funds as each portable costs half a million dollars paid by school board and not paid by provincial gov't - Forum on education on Oct. 1st and invited people running for the provincial election (green, NDP, conservative party), - Treasurer's workshop 101 is now on Oct. 21st.	
	Q & A from attendees:Looking for 1 rep per Class rep group chat to set up to support each other out and build community as well/information sharing.	Question: Renu

	Last year, we talked about book exchange – Ms. Ishii can talk to Ms. Besic, then get back to us. Last Friday before the holiday for Pancake Dec. 20th (Wendy to block the date). Oct. 16th next meeting; November TBD (potentially 20th) RESPONSE:	Question: Lorna
	Adjournment	Shaen

Future PAC Meetings:

We plan to hold meetings on Wednesday evenings in person or online via Zoom. Watch for announcements to confirm.

PAC minutes will be available on the school website under the Parent Information tab PAC minutes.



Note: if your child is absent on a hot lunch day, please make arrangements to come pick-up their food.
Unfortunately, we are unable to offer refunds.
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