

Chief Maquinna Elementary School - Parent Advisory Council – Minutes Wednesday February 16-- 6:00-7:00 pm – Virtual Meeting

1. Standing items

1.1 Call to order at 6:05 by Scott

1.2 No quorum in attendance. Unable to hold votes.

1.3 Attendance-10 present

Scott Kaminski, Tina Kaminski, Ryan Theobald, Joyce Chong, Judy Styoko, Raja Sabbagha, Amy Dass, Dora Kwok, Winnie Ng, Christine Lockhart, (Michelle Theobald joins at approximately 6:40)

2. Principal Update

2.1 CSL reports went out Jan 28th.

2.2 Pickleball happened at the school for 6 days and went great. All students in all grades participated.

2.3 Had some lunar new year celebrations as well as celebrating Valentines day in February

2.4 Events coming up: Pink shirt day Feb 23- Div 2 hosting daily announcements as to what it means, and things people can do for anti bullying, kindness and how to help others.

2.5 Staff had a follow up with Carol Fullerton, where she did more in-depth demos of how the math teaching processes work in action. Staff found great value in this.

2.6 Schools will be updating the communicable disease prevention plan following the latest announcements. Version 6 will continue to be followed until a new edition is produced.

Information for this can be found on the VSB website under Covid-19

2.7 There were very positive responses from neighbours and local businesses regarding the students handing out Valentines cards..

3. Outdoor Space

3.1 Joyce has made some progress with getting the plans onto the appropriate desks at the grounds department and has spoken to some people.

3.2 Outdoor learning space will have to wait for now. Grants we are eligible for will still be applied for, once a letter of approval from VSB is given. This should be arriving sooner then later. Cost is the main obstacle, with the stone seating alone being around \$20,000

3.3 Should be hearing about the installation date of the swingset soon, but is in the works to start.

4. Officers reports

4.1 Chair Report

4.2 Treasurers Report Cheq \$7391.04 Saving \$5192.34 Gaming \$7971.49 Pac account at school \$1026.44 Ryan has gained access to the gaming account. A transfer from that to the chequings account will be made soon.

4.3 Fundraising: Hot lunches have continued. Not as much participation so far in February. Won't know more details until later

- Neufeld farms Sold about \$4000 worth of food, with a profit of about \$678 so far. Another email reminder will be sent. Could do another sale of these in the spring.
 - Purdy's Easter: First letter/email out Feb 25/feb 28th, Reminder in March Newsletter, Order deadline March 11th, delivery March 21-25th, pick up March 31.
 - Staff planning another "a-thon" for April. Thinking it may be a read-a-thon, with funds raised going towards the outdoor space etc.
 - Possible plant fundraiser for the spring/ before mothers day. Ryan and Michelle will look into this.
 - Manure or soil sales for the spring? Winnie will look into this.
- 4.3 DPAC Report Scott met with Andrew wilkenson, MLa kevin falcon taking over.
Dpac general meeting on Feb 17th at 7pm about VSB budget. Open to the public, but primarily open to parents of students.

5. Other

Small funding requests:

- 5.1 Div 8 is interested in viewing butterfly larvas as part of their science curriculum. Would be needing about \$75 for this.
- 5.2 Request from the staff for some PE funding. School has not been able to buy any PE equipment for a number of years. In need of some funds for equipment such as badminton racquets, balls and other stuff that is no longer operational in order to have a "class set" quantity of items. Looking at \$1000 but ideally \$1500. Freshslice Cares grant program will be applied for as well.

6. Motions

- 6.1 Quorum made by the addition of Michelle Theobald at approximately 6:40
- 6.2 Motion made by Ryan Theobald to cover the cost of purchasing butterfly larva for Div 8, up to \$100, from the school cash online PAC donation account.
 - Seconded by Scott Kaminski
 - No objections
- 6.3 Motion made by Scott Kaminski for any remaining funds in the school cash online PAC account to be used by the school to purchase sporting goods to freshen up the gym equipment.
 - Seconded by Judy Styko
 - No objections

5. Future Meeting

- 5.1 Wednesday March 30th 2021, 6:00-7:00 online