

J.W. SEXSMITH PARENT ADVISORY COUNCIL MINUTES

Meeting date: FEB 13th, 2020

Location: Sexsmith Library

Time: 18:40 to 20:12

Chairperson: Christina Brown

Members present: As per attendance sheet.

*A big thank you to all the parents who came to the meeting.
We encourage you to continue attending the upcoming PAC meetings.*

Principal's Report – Joel Levine

- Staff thank the PAC for the annual Lunar New Year Celebration.
- Science Fair held on Wednesday, February 26, 2020. Intermediate students will contribute projects. Primary students view displays in the afternoon. Parents can view displays between 17:00 and 18:00.
- Pink Shirt Day on Wednesday, February 26th. All students encouraged to wear pink. The school will be selling pink t-shirts with #Acceptance written on the front for \$7.
- Mr. Coelho organizing a flash mob called "Acceptance Day 2.0". On March 9th, all students will perform it at 09:45 in the school's gym. Intermediate students will perform again early afternoon at the Vancouver Art Gallery.
- School is encouraging parents to pay all school fees online. Online system is easy to use and ensures money from the younger students reaches the school.
- UBC Engineering Community Outreach are providing information sessions, Grades 4/5 will attend in the morning and Grades 6/7 in the afternoon.
- Summer programs at Henderson and Moberly include "Knowledge Infusion". They are extending the offer to attend these programs free of charge to students from Trudeau and Sexsmith Elementary School's. More information in the next newsletter.

Financial Update from the Treasurer – Angela Wong

FEB 13th 2020 BALANCES

Currently there are \$27,887.52 in PAC funds available, broken down as follows:

PAC General account	\$ 19,797.52
PAC Chocolate	0.00
PAC Fundraising	0.00
PAC Gaming account	8,084.08
Membership shares	<u>\$ 5.92</u>
Total	<u>\$ 27,887.52</u>

Restricted balances include:

- \$3,568.58 in coding funds, these should be ordered soon.
- \$600 set aside for I-ride.
- \$1,700 for the grade 7's graduation.
- \$150 has been allocated to each division for travel, \$2442.60 of this balance remains unused as of today's date.

Cleared amounts

- The \$500 amount approved at the last PAC meeting for the Mount Seymour trip has been paid.
- The replacement high jump equipment is no longer needed. These funds (\$2,307.20) have been released back to the PAC by Mr. Levine and Mr. Kay.

Hot Lunch Program Update - Christina Brown

Term 2 hot lunch

- Hot Lunch on January 15 cancelled due to school closure (snowfall). Make-up hot lunch on Monday, February 24th (Nuggets). Thank-you to the volunteers for agreeing to the additional make-up date.
- Term 2 anticipated funds raised will be \$6,700. This number may fluctuate a bit as we are not able to secure veggiballs from Ikea. Currently producing veggiballs inhouse to keep the order consistent with the Ikea brand.
- Eva picked up Hot Lunch supplies on sale, this should help lower our food costs.

Term 3 hot lunch

- The Term 3 Hot Lunch order form was distributed for comments and questions.
- In Term 3 will switch back to BBQ chicken pizza from Ham and Pineapple.
- The term 3 Hot Lunch order forms will be distributed on February 24th. They are due back on March 2, before 15:30.
- Not that there is a separate order form for Sports Day (May 22, 2020) attached to the Hot Lunch order form. We have also "greyed" out Friday, May 22 on the order form so parents can tell that there will not be any pizza on that day.
- Question was asked about ordering gluten free pizza. We will look into this further. Will need to consider if there will be enough demand for it in the school to avoid wastage.

Christmas Budget Update - Christina Brown

- Confirmed that the Christmas budget to actual analysis has been completed and we can under our projected budget of \$ 2,100 by approximately \$330.

Lunar New Year Celebration update – Christina Brown (in lieu of Penny Wong)

- PAC thanked Penny Wong and the parents who volunteered for the Lunar New Year Celebration. Feedback from students, parents and staff has been very positive.
- Will update the PAC with budget to actual comparison at next PAC meeting.

Filipino Fiesta - Christina Brown (in Lieu of Girlie Ibit)

- The Filipino Fiesta will be on May 8, 2020.

Fun Fair – Angela Wong

- The Fun Fair will be held on Friday, June 12, 2020 from 15:00 to 17:00, in the staff parking lot.
- Budget will be presented at next PAC meeting.
- List to volunteer is being passed around the room. Also will consider using former Sexsmith students (now at Churchill), or adult volunteers from Langara (approved by Mr. Levine).
- Discussion regarding food preparation and how to avoid running short on food again this year.

New Business

- Motion put forth by Angela Wong (seconded by Penny Wong) to pay the annual Churchill Secondary School Scholarship in the amount of \$500 awarded to a former Sexsmith student. Motion passed with unanimous consent.
- Will follow up with Lucia Rivera regarding the backdrop, pipe and drape system at the next PAC meeting.
- Teresa Brooks put forth the motion that the PAC should invite Carrol Todd to come to our school to speak to parents (and possibly teachers) on how to stay safe online in two separate in-house presentations.
 - Carol Todd is the mother of Amanda Todd, a 15 year old girl who committed suicide after cyber bullying. Amanda's Mum started a foundation called the Amanda Todd Legacy Society
 - The society promotes awareness, initiatives and campaigns supported by school presentations, conferences, community forums and open discussions

- Carol Todd is willing to do a presentation with us. She does not charge a fee; however, a donation to the foundation is appreciated (usually around \$200-300).
- Motion passed by the PAC with unanimous consent.

PAC roles going forward into the next year

- PAC calls for any Sexsmith parents interested in the PAC Chair position or one of the Hot Lunch Coorrdinator positions going into the 2020/2021 school year as both roles require a lot of Christina’s time.

No other business or questions.

Meeting adjourned at 18:45.

Next meeting date: March 5th, 2020 at 6:40pm (Sexsmith’s Library)

Proposed Future Meeting Dates: April 2nd, 2020

Signatures of the 2020 PAC Board members are as follows:

Chair – Christina Brown _____

Vice Chair – Deljit Beesla _____

Treasurer – Angela Wong _____

Secretary – Jacqui Crawford _____

[Other PAC Information and Contacts:](#)

Fundscrip Gift Cards - Year Round PAC Fundraiser

Help us fundraise by purchasing your gift cards through the PAC’s FundScrip account. For every gift card you purchase, the PAC receives a percentage of the sales proceeds.

Please encourage your family and friends to support the school too!

Here is the link to quickly sign up:

<https://www.fundscrip.com/Sign-Up.aspx?IID=2CBHHR>

Volunteer information

If you are interested in volunteering to help the PAC, please contact Deljit here email address is:

sexsmithvolunteers@gmail.com

Volunteer opportunities on Sexsmith's Website: From the Sexsmith main web page go to "Families" Tab, select "Volunteers" or type the following link into your browser:

<https://www.vsb.bc.ca/schools/jw-sexsmith/Families/Volunteer/Pages/default.aspx>