

# SEXSMITH PARENT ADVISORY COUNCIL

**Meeting date: February 9, 2017**

**Location: Sexsmith Library**

**Time: 6:36 pm to 7:46pm**

**Chairperson: Gurmit Sangha**

**Members present: As per attendance sheet.**

## *Special Presentation –Mrs. Cottrell*

Mrs. Cottrell spoke to the PAC about having a mural painted to commemorate long-term Sexsmith staff that have passed away in the last few years. The mural would be situated at the front of the school. The cost of this is around \$1,500, an email will be going out to 41 teachers asking them to contribute to the memorial. Unanimous consent from PAC in favor of covering the cost for this mural up to \$1,500. Depending on the contributions received from Sexsmith staff current and retired the funds required may not be as much.

## *Special Request– Mr. Coelho*

Mr. Coelho asked the PAC to fund the cost of four buses to transport the students to Oakridge for the anti-bullying flash mob. Check out the link below for the last flash mob done by two schools at Oakridge.

<https://youtu.be/MhYyAa0VnyY>

The Sexsmith flash mob will take place on March 8 at 1:30pm at Oakridge. In the past this event took place at the Vancouver Giant's game at the Pacific Coliseum however the Vancouver Giants no longer play at the Coliseum and the organizers of the event have moved on so this is no longer a viable option which is why Oakridge has been selected.

Mr. Coelho has been in touch with all parties.

Total cost for the transportation amounts to \$720. Gurmit motioned for the PAC to pay for the cost of the buses for \$720, unanimous consent from the PAC members present.

Background information on event: This event is part of the Anti-Bullying Pink Day initiative that promotes acceptance of all as well as the importance of our schools being places where bullying is not tolerated. Mr. Coelho showed the PAC a previous year's video that was created at the Flash Mob Dance at the Giant's hockey game.

## *Principal's Report – Mr. Anderson*

Mr. Anderson thanked Stan for organizing the lunar New Year celebration as well as the parents volunteering their time for the teacher's lunch.

Mr. Anderson also brought forth a wish list from the teachers as to what they would like to get for their students. The top priority item is a laptop cart which consists of 30 Dell Laptops, the cost of the laptops and cart amounts to \$23,831.02. Overall the PAC is happy to fund the cost as technology is important for the students however there were a few questions that parents would like addressed. Mr. Anderson will speak to the IT committee and bring the answers back at the next PAC meeting.

Parents are encouraged to visit the school website for more details:  
<http://sexsmith.vsb.bc.ca/default.htm>

### **Financial Update from the Treasurer – Fay Tam**

Currently there is \$58,587.41\* of PAC funds, breakdown as follows:

- General account 19,644.44
- Fundraising 1,657.53
- Chocolates 27,615.93
- Gaming account 12,000.99
- Gaming membership shares 5.32

This balance is after the following balances have been accounted for:

Teacher's fund remaining to be paid out \$1,900 and the remaining to payout for the apple TV, projector, laptop, computer \$436.80 (just waiting for the invoice).

### **Hot Lunch Program – Stan Tam**

The hot lunch program is going well, chicken nuggets are quite popular. Hot Lunch order forms for the last few months of the school term to go out shortly. The due date for the forms will be February 27<sup>th</sup>. The last day of the pizza hot lunch will be June 2 and May 31<sup>st</sup> for the nuggets. The order form going out will also include the lunch order for Sports Day as well.

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Meeting adjourned at 7:46 pm

Next meeting date: March 9, 2017 at 6:30pm

Location: Sexsmith School Library

**Signatures of the 2016/2017 PAC Board members are as follows:**

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Chair – Gurmit Sangha

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Vice Chair – Kami Hothi

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Treasurer – Fay Tam

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Secretary – Rana Sangha