

SEXSMITH PARENT ADVISORY COUNCIL

Meeting date: October 11, 2018

Location: Sexsmith Library

Time: 6:30 pm to 7:30 pm

Chairperson: Gurmit Sangha

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

- It has been a busy start to the school year;
- The sports team have started up; The TEGS/Hot Lunch Program is underway; a thank you to the parent volunteers;
- The FSAs are taking place; several questions were asked by parents about why they are done and what happens with the results;
- Discussion on the new curriculum and how the reporting information will be presented were discussed;
- This will be a transition year for Sexsmith for incorporating the new curriculum;

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 balance is \$35,160.21; breakdown as follows:

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| • General account | 19,732.77 |
| • Chocolates | 15,409.71 |
| • Gaming account | 12.04 |
| • Gaming membership shares | 5.49 |

The balance above is after the \$1,400 for the uniforms and \$567.44 for the TEGS/Hot Lunch Program has been deducted from the total.

The funds from the gaming grant (\$20 per child based on previous year's enrollment of 390 students) amounting to approximately \$7K has been confirmed, the cheque should be coming soon. For more information please visit the following website:

<http://www2.gov.bc.ca/assets/gov/sports-recreation-arts-and-culture/gambling/grants/guide-cgg.pdf>

Gurmit put forth a motion to approve \$825 as per request made by Mr. Levine for the Inclusive Improv Performance, seconded by Lucia, unanimous consent by PAC.

Gurmit put forth a motion to approve Mr. Levine's funding request for transportation for field trips seconded by Lucia, unanimous consent by PAC. \$150 has been allotted for each division; funds are to subsidize costs of bus trips for field trips. Total funds \$2,550

Gurmit put forth a motion to approve Mr. Levine's funding request for ten booster seats for use by students in the primary grades seconded by Lucia, unanimous consent by PAC. Total funds \$300

Hot Lunch Program – Stan Tam

A big thank you to Chris and Eva for stepping up and running the program while Stan was recuperating.

Chris and Eva both received their food safe certification so both hot lunch days are covered;

Hot lunch orders are up by 15% from the previous year;

Stan will be adding a new variety for the pizza selection perhaps a vegetarian pizza or barbeque chicken pizza.

Estimated net revenue from hot lunch sales are anticipated to exceed \$21K this year.

The PAC is always looking for parent volunteers; if you are interested please contact Stan Tam or send an email to sexsmithvolunteers@gmail.com).

Parents are encouraged to provide suggestions at future PAC meetings however there is an expectation for parents to assist in carrying out their suggestions.

Upcoming School Events

Diwali celebration will take place on November 20 at 11:00 am; help will be needed on November 19 to setup the gym, Chris will send out an email closer to the date requesting volunteers. The teachers will be served lunch. Students will be given a samosa and a juice box.

Stan has starting prepping for Breakfast with Santa; he will provide an update at the next PAC meeting

Fundraising Discussions

Gurmit will be in touch with Mr. Levine to discuss the distribution of the chocolates; Gurmit will also order the chocolates and pick up prizes; further information to follow at the next meeting.

Volunteer Coordinator – Chris

The volunteer email is (sexsmithvolunteers@gmail.com). Anyone wishing to volunteer can email Chris to let her know which events they would like to volunteer for. In the near future a calendar will be posted on the school website each month showing what activities are coming up where volunteers will be needed.

Meeting adjourned at 7:30 pm

Next meeting date: November 8, 2018 at 6:30pm

Location: Sexsmith Library

Future meeting date(s): December 6

Signatures of the 2018/2019 PAC Board members are as follows:

Chair – Gurmit Sangha

Vice Chair – Chris Brown

Treasurer – Fay Tam

Secretary – Rana Sangha