

DUNSMUIR MIDDLE SCHOOL

Parent Advisory Committee Meeting

Tuesday April 25, 2023, 6:30pm

Attendees:

Rebecca Pacey, Candice McLeod, Teresa Janisch, and Tanya Lajoie, Alexis McKean – Vice Principal

Absent: April Flannagan, Kim McMillan, Meagan Bagnall, Allison Hyatt, Alicia Hayes, Chris Smyth, and Hayley Nesbitt, Stephanie Tomlinson and Mark Kaercher

1. Call to Order

Meeting started at 6:12pm

2. Adoption of previous minutes – February 28, 2023

Motion to adopt the previous minutes as distributed –approved by Tanya and seconded by Candice

3. Old Business

- **Bursary:**
 - Approved an additional \$500.00 for another bursary due to the number of applications received.
- **Emergency fund:**
 - To be discuss next meeting and/or April to follow up with Mark
- **School Dance:**
 - No dance, due to school concerns. Hosted a family board night event instead.
- **Art card:**
 - To be discuss next meeting and/or April to follow up with Mark
- **PAC Mtg:**
 - June 27th - we will move this one to June 20th and it will need to be added to school website

4. Vice Principal's Report

- Sport court update – should be completed in July 2023
- Funding secured for new accessible playground
- Band program – moved outside the time table for 2 times a week (7:30-8:45am) starting in Sept 2023. Students will be able to take ADST and Band

5. Treasurer's Report as of April 25, 2022

- Non Gaming: \$6,506.77
- Gaming: \$16,540.17; approx. \$4,000 in cheques to be written today

6. SPEAC Update

- Proposed district budget
- Working with a consulting company around diversity, equity and inclusion (DEI). Seeking to understand better where we are doing well and where there are gaps that need improvement. Having an outside company do that for us provides an unbiased analysis, starting now over the next few months. Will be asking for input from students, staff, parents, and community partners. Expect to see some surveys at some point.
- Applying for a Special Program under section 43 of the Human Rights Code (power point displayed) that would allow for some targeted hiring from historically disadvantaged groups in

society. Support for those who identify as indigenous, 2SLGBTQ+, visible minority, or persons with disabilities. This will enhance the degree to which students see themselves reflected in SD62 staff, and a diverse pool of staff provides many benefits to students and families. Seeking SPEAC feedback and input on how we structure the program. Seeking SPEAC support for this program application via a written statement at some point in May.

- Playground improvement discussions
- Affordability Fund discussions
- SPEAC Nominations

7. New Business

- **Gaming grant**
 - 1199118 application ID for Grant
- **Hotlunch site renewal**
 - Tanya to submit a cheque to get the \$315.00 early bird
 - 62 families sign up for April
 - 122 families sign up for May
- **PAC Business**
 - Bank Account - Adding Candice and Stephanie as an account signer.
 - Bylaws – need to be updated each year
 - PAC AGM – need to elect new PAC for 2023/24 year. Teresa to draft up a notice for the Dunsmuir weekly notice
 - Purdy's sales - \$276.00 revenue made
 - Bursary Selection
 - Monday May 8th – 6pm at Candice's house to review bursary files and make selection
 - Tanya to contact schools to get extension

Meeting Adjourned at 6:58pm

Next meeting May 23, 2023