

Buckingham Elementary School

PAC Meeting Agenda

Tuesday, Jan 17th 2016 at 6:30PM

1. Welcome and Regrets:
 - a. Welcome: Wendy Bird, June Goudron, Linda Santoro, Carol Saito,, Barb Henderson, Gurinder Aujla, Cindy Convez, Sumeta, Bhushan, Cheryl Gipson, Mae Quan
 - b. Regrets: Raina Sidhu
2. Call for any additions to the Agenda
 - a. Babysitting Course
3. Adoption of the Agenda
 - a. Linda/Gurinder - Approved by the table
4. Approval of the May Minutes
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5. Treasurer's Report: Carol & Linda
 - a. Expenditures -
 - i. November - Percussion instruments, skating party, odyssey, lunch program.
 - ii. December - Garden Supplies, Community dance project, hotdog lunch program, Santa Breakfast
 - b. Revenue -
 - i. Term Deposit came due - \$58.77 in interest
 - ii. Tax deductible donations - \$3488
6. DPAC Report: - June for Raina
 - a. Discussion regarding snow management, presentation on city traffic, Announcement about \$50 million from Provincial government. \$2 million will go to Burnaby.
 - i. Parent info meeting regarding the additional funds announcement on Jan 25th
 - ii. Parent education "Understanding the Teen Years" on Feb 7.
7. Principal's Report: Barb
 - a. Provincial Priorities Measurement Plan - \$2 million for SD41. Works out to approx 40 hirings.
 - i. Buckingham has asked for 0.40 (equals 2 days/week) for additional counselling, primary reading group, literacy program, and learning support staff
 - b. Parks & Rec - Kelly
 - i. Registration seems lower this year. Suggestion of putting a sports program on Wednesdays. There is a babysitter course that is offered in the spring.

1. Question about prior discussion regarding offering Mandarin course - Wendy will forward Kelly the information from the prior meeting and she will look into it
 - ii. Camp Burn - Ron McLean Park - outdoor camp for the summer
 1. New Age Cohort Rule - As long as a child has complete Kindergarten they can register
 - iii. EPIC - runs Music in the Park etc. - Looking for volunteers.
 1. Lots of stuff going on for Canada Day
 - a. 125th anniversary of Burnaby
 - b. 150th anniversary of Canada
 - c. FSA's are underway - 65 students in Grade 4 & 7. 25 have opted out
 - d. Kindergarten Registration - starts in February
 - e. Pro-D Day - Friday. Looking for input as to what the school should focus on next year.
 - f. Literacy Week - Next week. Drop everything & Read, Dress as your favourite literary character day. Wednesday morning will be Family Reading.
 - i. Suggestion of doing Reading in the Dark next year.
 - g. Screen Free Week - Monday - Friday last year. This year maybe screen free day one day/week for 4 weeks
 - h. Book Fair - Jan 31-Feb 2.
 - i. Need volunteers: 9-9:30 Tuesday, end of day Thursday, Wednesday Afternoon.
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 - i. Grade 6/7's - are going Skiing
 - j. Basketball - Boys & Girls. Wednesday/Friday morning practices. Games are Tuesday/Thursday after school
 - k. Jump Rope for Heart - Preparations start February 8th
 - l. Young People's Concert - January 25th
 - m. Seleena Noon (Sex ed curriculum) - April (K-7)
 - i. Kid's are on the 27th
 - ii. Parents are on the 26th
 - iii. Brantford Parent info for Mad Hatter on the 28th
 - n. Field trips - reminder from parent to schedule field trips (some classes always forget)
 - i. Suggestion from Parks & Rec - City of Burnaby offers Canoeing
8. Old Business
- a. Movie Night: Wendy - More volunteers are needed. It's on Thursday (Secret Life of Pets)
 - b. Odyssey: Mae - 8 teams now and all have started. Spontaneous attack weekend is coming up. Coaches have been awesome.

- c. Breakfast with Santa: June - Went well. Linda & Carol are stepping down. Rhona & Linda Wong will be taking over.
 - d. Skating Party: Linda - Went Well. Lowest turnout in recent memory. Suggestion to go back to the afternoon for next year.
 - e. Tax deductible Donations: June - \$3488. This was less than budgeted. Allison Lau will be taking over next year.
9. New Business
- a. Neighbourhood Dinner: June - Nobody has volunteered to run it yet. Kids need 1 month lead time for crafts.
 - i. Suggestions: Move it to September or let it go
 - b. Babysitter Course - Through the red Cross. \$60/person for First Aid & Babysitting. Can we get it at Buckingham? Possibly April
10. PAC Executive Elections:
- a. Open Positions: Chair, Co-Treasurer, Secretary
 - b. Linda Santoro nominated for PAC Chair. Linda Accepts. Approved by the table.
 - c. We will need to find a Co-Treasurer, and Secretary or ViceChair as Gurinder is willing to serve a Secretary if someone is willing to take on Vice Chair. There are not enough members of the PAC executive to continue the PAC otherwise.

Adjourned 8:15PM