

Lansdowne PAC Meeting Oct. 28, 2020

Meeting called to order at: 7:02pm Acknowledgement of territory, welcome and introductions

Present: Jessica, Hilary, Wendy, Sean, Angela, Craig, Heather, S Novak, Willow, Whitney, Nici, Marketa

President's Report:

- Confirmation of PAC positions (Angela VP, Heather MaL, Craig MaL, Marketa VCPAC rep and Emergency Supplies coordinator, Jessica Secretary)
- Motion to bring on two new PAC executive members (*Whitney as Treasurer and Nici as Member at Large*) (Angela/Jessica) Passed.
- Opportunity to partner with Arbutus for parent education. More information to come.
- Gaming Account Fund from gaming grant money (\$20/student): Discussion: what should our process be for deciding how to allocate funds?
 - o Intended to enhance *extra-curricular activities* of students at the school. May also be used for emergency supplies. NOT for things primarily used by teachers to support curriculum, or to support the delivery of it.
 - o Sean: teachers have already done some field trips, so they may not be a write-off this year. In past years, teachers submit requests which are then evaluated by PAC. This is in addition to a certain amount for each class.
 - o How best to budget for field trips at the moment? Sean: we could keep a fund that staff could apply for on a request basis. We could hold back some funds this fall, to be allocated in the spring.
 - o **Action:** Sean to take a PAC budget request (forms) to staff next week.
- Q: how are the classroom sports bags going? Do all classes have them:
 - o Hilary: Lansdowne South classrooms all have the sport bags of equipment for outdoors. Survey has gone out today about contents. Approx. half are missing a number of items. Reordering is in process.
- Discussion re what "Grad" could look like this year. Early brainstorming: could make film recording to share with families, similar to last June; Could purchase an archway of sorts, decorated, that students could get photos taken in. No decisions made at the moment.

Treasurer's Report:

- Provided orally. Haven't spent funds this year yet. Still getting funds through Smile Cards, Cobbs, Soap Exchange. We are also over-budget for donations from parent community.

Admin Report/Answers to Questions

- Q: Bike racks for Lansdowne South? Yes, 5 more just installed last week.
- Q: Is there a plan to address Band annex technology needs?

- Not at the moment. There are a number of classrooms without them. District plan was to *start* with 'enrolling teacher' classrooms, and that is what they've done.
- ≡ Q: if we wanted to use some of the gaming grant money for outdoor play, could Lansdowne North use a gaga ball pit?
 - Gaga ball pit is very popular at Lansdowne South. Would likely be popular at North. There IS a place one could be installed. Likely not too long to get installed. Approx. \$5000 cost.
- ≡ Some families are still making the transition back to in-person school.
- ≡ Badminton: has just started. Kids pleased. Huge uptake at both campuses.
- ≡ Remembrance Day Assembly: will be a Zoom assembly, with all classroom joining in at same time. Will include (virtually) a community member guest
- ≡ Theme song Thursday: Has been restarted. Song snippets played, friendly competition around classroom to guess the song.
- ≡ Lansdowne South: New floors in Movement Arts theatre. Lockers being installed. Still waiting on playground.
- ≡ Lansdowne had an opportunity to request federal covid funding: given 1.0FTE teacher, in French Immersion so one class did not need to be collapsed, leading to mostly smaller class sizes; \$20K allocated for tech (IPads, chrome books, TV for fitness studio); \$26K for outdoor education. (staff would like permanent outdoor structures for outdoor education.

Other

Action: Marketa to provide estimate of emergency supplies cost once she is able to access the container at Lansdowne South.

Action: Heather to follow up with ex-presidents to see if they have a copy of the constitution.

Marketa: comment re needing and AGM (esp for electing exec)...depends what our constitution says. Check constitution once found, to see if we need an AGM to vote in PAC positions.

Adjournment: *Motion to adjourn.* (Angela/Heather). Passed. Approx. 8:15pm.

Next meeting: , Nov. 25, 2020, 7pm.