

Lansdowne Middle School
PAC Meeting Minutes
North Campus – Feb 22, 2023

Present: Whitney Y (Treasurer), Craig H (Chair/President), Alissa M (Vice-Principal), Bijan A, Cait I, Rosemary M, Tristan R, Sarah H

Kick off

Territorial acknowledgement

Call to order: 6:05 pm

Funding requests

Day Camp field trip support

In person requestor - Ian Lindseth

Impacts nearly 200 students, all G7 and G8 divisions of the English track

Camps are all on the island, up island

Total costs are \$110-115 per student, \$15 + \$5 already in place. Fund raising \$2000 in the works. There will be a sliding transport cost based on final student numbers on the buses.

Request that PAC fund \$10-15 per student, total is expected to be between \$2000-\$3000. Whatever is not covered will have to be paid by students and families, and this is a large demand for many.

Discussion

In the PAC Nov meeting our discussion stressed this as a future PAC policy, for us to use unallocated funds to support equity across programs and divisions at the school. This was a signal to teachers that PAC will be responsive to such requests, and can provide additional funds for field trips later in the year.

Because of this previous emphasis we moved to consider and vote on this request immediately. There are 7 parents present, and quorum for spending decisions is 6 voting members.

Outcome

Motioned, Approved: PAC will provide up to the full requested \$3000

Admin report

AntiBullying day, school held a challenge for most pink shirts in class.

2nd term reporting, Curriculum Completion day coming. Report cards will be handed out to students before spring break

Sports :: Volleyball ending, high turnout this year. Rugby is just starting and will take off in March and April.

Feb 27 – High school course selection sheets will be distributed home thru the students. These forms will be turned into the HS by Lansdowne. HS reps will be on campus presenting to students, form the 3 main HSs that Lansdowne feeds to..

Black history month activity – virtual assembly being held tomorrow, Inspiration Republic. 1-2:00 on Feb 23. Interactive presentation to Lansdowne campuses.

Other activities – class level workshops and mentoring.

PAC Succession

Round table intros – a little late this meeting but we had 3 parents arrive during discussion, and prior to that we all knew each other.

Question about the PAC executive roles, how much time each takes?

For the Chair position it is about 5 hours a month for communications and PAC meeting prep, plus the actual meetings.

Secretary is minutes during the meetings, plus an additional 1-2 hours to produce final drafts and submit for upload to school secretary.

Treasurer is a few hours a month during the year, but extra time at the start and the end for budget prep and amendments. Also a few hours annually to complete the Grant application and the Grant year end report. Plus the actual meetings.

Wrap up

Call to finish: 7:10 pm

Next meeting

Will be 6 pm Wednesday Apr 26, in south campus library.