

SOOKE ELEMENTARY PAC MEETING: 11 January 2017

MINUTES (Approved)

Call to Order at 6:30 p.m.

Attendees: Candice N (President), Danielle D. (VPres), Lisa S (Treasurer), Lisa Nilsson (Event Coord), Mrs. K. Arnot (Principal), Mrs. M. Becking (VP), Dan Newport (parent), Lorna Egresits (parent)

Regrets: Maki M. (Food Coord.)

- Territorial acknowledgement (6:30 pm)
- MOTION to adopt the agenda as presented CARRIED
- MOTION to adjourn at 7:30 CARRIED
- MOTION to approve the December 2016 minutes as amended (CN/LS) CARRIED
 - In admin reports, principal's meeting should be Anaphylaxis Committee meeting.
 - Mr Quint is the LS teacher, not LSIS

Reports (6:35 – 6:55)

Teacher Rep: Not present, but Mrs. Arnot asked on their behalf about whether there was funding for bussing kids to the Gymboree, which we confirmed that there is a line item for sports for \$600 which would cover that. She also confirmed that the teachers support purchasing additional jerseys, so she will look into pricing.

Admin reports—Mrs. Arnot: The Holiday concert was well received. Feedback has been positive and everyone had a good time. Arts Reach is in the school holding painting workshops for 2 classes until the end of January. Kindergarten registration will take place from January 23-27th. Ready Set Learn event will happen on January 25th at the Community Hall. On January 31st and February 1st, teachers who have signed up will participate in wildlife presentations delivered by the Goldstream Nature House team. So far 10 classes have signed up. The First Nations Hoop Dancer will be performing on the January 18th. Literacy week will be held January 25-27th: Wednesday will be dress as your favorite character day, Thursday will focus on FN literacy, and Friday is the pancake breakfast. Numeracy Day will coincide with 100 Day with stations in the gym. This will happen sometime in early to mid February. Saseenos is getting a Nature Kindergarten program. On January 18th, the Lieutenant Governor is coming in the morning as part of the Canada 150 celebrations. There will be media and other dignitaries present. Her talk will focus on democracy and the Restitution song will be sung. As a result of the Supreme Court decision on class size and composition, roughly 18 teachers will be added to the district. SD 62 will receive 900K which will translate to .7 or 3.5 days. This year, no classrooms will be disrupted. The time will go towards support teachers.

Admin reports—Mrs. Becking: SES received 5 enrollments in January so our total enrollment is currently at 308. We anticipate that next year's total will be the same. It will be interesting to see what impact the Nature K will have on enrollment. The VDPs are up and the electrical is ready to get hooked up. Mat hangers were installed in the gym as well. SES also received a Rotary Grant for an ELMO for the Principles of Learning (POL) class.

PAC Reports:

Treasurer: Gaming has approximately \$15 000, Sign account has approximately \$2000, General has about \$2000, and Savings has about \$11 700. We have online banking but just need to finalize it. We can then transfer the Paypal funds.

Emerg. Prep: Dan Newport has taken on the EP Coordinator position. He recommends looking through the kiosk by end of January or so to take inventory.

Business (6:55-7:30)

1. VIPC takes place on Feb. 25th. Lisa S. has expressed interest in going. CN to follow up on our free tickets.

MOTION: PAC to subsidize tickets up to \$200 for the VIPC on Feb. 25th (LS/LN) CARRIED

Notice will be sent out via autodialer and FB for any interested parents. Deadline will be Feb. 10th.

2. Spring Fling will take place May 4th from 5:30 – 7:30. Survey will go out to intermediate grades (4 & 5) to ask how we can engage them more. Danielle D. will book Par-T-Perfect's obstacle course. Everyone invited to bring ideas to next meeting.
3. Dave Bennett Presentation: Dan N. will be forwarded Dave Bennett's info to set up his presentation for an upcoming PAC Meeting.
4. Pizza Day will take place on Jan. 18th. Cut off is this Friday at 3pm. We still need volunteers, and they should meet in the gym at 11:30. All hot lunches for the rest of the year are now open online. Feb and May are Subway, April is Pizza. We've received 71 orders so far.
5. Pancake breakfast is happening on the 27th from 9-10:30. All students and staff are free; we will set up pre-order for any additional family. Thursday 26th is set up. We will need volunteers for syrup, fruit/juice table, cleaning.
6. SES Bursary will be expanded to include Westshore, Belmont, Royal Bay, and EdWest. CN to prepare the application to send.

Meeting Adjourned (7:29 LS/LN)

Next meeting: Feb. 7, 2017