# ÉCOLE PAULINE JOHNSON PARENT ADVISORY COUNCIL Meeting Minutes

# 9:30am Wednesday October 12th, 2022

# PJ General PAC Meeting

Wednesday October 12, 9:30 am VIRTUAL

#### Welcome

# **Approvals**

Meeting Agenda First: Steph LeComte Second: Robin Turnhill

June 8<sup>th</sup> Meeting Minutes

First: Julie Wang

Second: Megan Holtman

No new business from the June meeting

# **Principals Report**

• Principal's Corner to start in November 21st 12-12:30 open with q & a until 1 pm

# **FSA Update**

• Grades 4 and 7 will be writing reading comprehension beginning Oct 13 please be mindful of the testing dates for your child (sleep, breakfast, no appointments booked).

# Parent/Teacher (Intake) Conferences

- Grades 1-7 October 26 (1:20pm/1:30pm dismissal)
- Kindergarten November 21-25 (more information to come)

# Special Events (upcoming before the Christmas Break)

- Outdoor School, for gr 6
- Halloween appropriate costume apparel
- Remembrance Day, Nov 10, video will be watched at the same time by presenters
- Volleyball
- Student Pro-D Day, October 21<sup>st</sup>
- Tennis in Schools will begin soon
- Choir Q starting up, grade 4-7, first practice is today, Oct 12 by Madame Super
- Board Meeting Highlight

Santa's Workshop

#### Poll

 Many first PAC meeting attended, closely followed by a few meetings attended in the past

# **Budget**

- Budget is available online
- Gaming grant received

### Year at a Glance

# Gelato Days

- o First Friday of most months
- o \$2 a cup
- o Raises \$1000 each year
- o Always need parent volunteers
- o Looking for volunteers to take over the lead for this event for the next school year; training beginning this year

#### Pro-D at the Movies

- o Hoping to host one for each Pro D
- o Movie booked at Cineplex Park Royal at 10:30 am, Oct 21
- o Siblings are welcome
- o K-3 need parents need to stay with them
- o Tickets on sale on the website and are available now
- o Follow us on Social Media for more info
- o PJ families only please

#### PJ Park

- o Help monthly to keep it clean and up to date
- o Committee is led by Laureline, reach out playground@ecolepjpac.com

#### Fun Lunch

- o Emma is our coordinator, will be hosting a how to order tutorial, date to be announced
- o Offered Mon-Fri by local businesses
- o Poll who is signed up and who is not? 68% yes, 32% no
- o Results highest to lowest response: results mostly cost, prefer to send own food, not familiar with system, concerned about nutrition
- o Will be hosting an online tutorial to review the Munch A Lunch ordering system on October 25<sup>th</sup> at 7pm

# Spirit Wear

- o Deadline for orders October 13th
- o Special edition for centennial year
- o Sizes for all, and accessories available

# Cultural Celebrations

- o Lunar new year Jan 20
- o Nowrouz Mar 8
- o Parent volunteers form a committee

# Santa's Workshop

- o A huge event at PJ held on Dec 14
- o Stay on top of communication
- o Parents asked to donate lightly used and clean items
- o Items are put on sale (\$2 each) on the workshop and students buy gifts for their family members
- o Looking for event lead and need a ton of volunteers, to organize donations, sort, etc.
- o Sub-committee will be running it

# Crepe Day

- o Early February
- o Whole gym is decorated and parents make a bunch of crepes, or it is catered
- o Poll ruled in favour of parents supplying crepes vs catering

# Ongoing fundraisers

- o Card project where children make art and you can buy different things with their artwork on it
- o Purdy's chocolates sold by grade 7s
- o Shopping at IGA and Fresh Street Market
- o Well Fed
- o Indigo
- o School Supplies through Creative Packs
- o Mabel's Labels
- o Babysitting Stay Safe Course

# **How to Stay Connected**

- E-bulletin, class parents, social media (Facebook and Instagram)
- Website has all the info regarding pac and events
- @ecolepjac to follow
- Poll on how to parents want info; results were mostly by e-bulletin

# **Class Parents**

- Every class has one
- Act as an liaison between the teachers and parents

Assist teachers as needed

# **Traffic and Safety**

- Parking is not allowed in various areas around the school
- WV Police and by law officers will be present to ticket parents
- Signage has been added
- We are welcoming anyone to come onto the committee and begin next steps
- More education needed for our parent community
- No u-turns, use crosswalks

# **Volunteer Vacancies**

- Vice Chair
- Traffic Safety Rep
- School Events leads, committees

# **DPAC**

- Serves as an umbrella to support PACs across the district
- In charge of parent ed and PAC ed
- Liaison with the district and the PACs

#### **New Business**

• French movie night fundraise requested, will ask Principle Zielinski

# **Adjourn Meeting**

First: Steph LeComte Second: Lorenza Kletas