

Ray Shepherd PAC Meeting

December 17, 2020

Attendees:

Christy Weepers, Cheryl Worden, Alison Whittome, Sharon Baxter, Jennifer Mathieson, Megan Pickell, Linda Chau, Kristin Spina, Mia van Heerden, Michelle Cooke, Megan Baker, Nicole SH, Reena Gill, Yi Jin.

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- Approval of today's Agenda: 1st-Jen, 2nd-Sharon
 - Approval of Oct 22 Minutes: 1st-Megan, 2nd-Jen

Principal's Update

- Introducing Reena Gill, Ray Shepherd's **new principal** coming from Strawberry Hill.
- Thank you for the PAC donation to the **Christmas hampers** for David Brankin Elementary.
- Thank you to all parents and students for your flexibility with **new class placement** for January.
- **Totem pole** at the school's entrance – was originally erected for the school's 50th anniversary in 1995. Cannot be restored without permission from original artist. Surrey School district has contacted the John Walkus Green, the original artist and will embark on a restoration project in the coming months.
- **Winter concert** – children will come home today with an invitation, treat and YouTube link for the concert. Entire school will watch the concert at 1pm today.
- Finally, **thank you** for all the support over the last 3 years. Will miss all of the students and take learnings as a new principal forward to Mary Jane Shannon Elementary in January.

Treasurer Update (Cheryl)

- November Financial Statement (attached)
- **General Chequing Account: \$30,700**
 - o Additions: Hawkwear, Neufeld Farms, Express Return-It
 - o Spending: Hampers, Art Club, Disposable Masks
 - o Expected additions in December: Fundscrip \$713, Growing Smiles: \$340, Purdy's: \$454
- **Gaming Account: \$1,826**
 - o Annual grant received \$7,220 (3 years to spend this)
 - o All up to date on gaming filings

Fundraising Update (Sharon)

- Growing Smiles, Purdy's and Fundscrip – **all complete** and successful
- Thank you for all the helped with drive through pick ups
- **Hawkwear** – delivery is in transit but has been delayed. Hoping for delivery before Friday, will follow up with parents if not.
- **Express Return It** (Jenny Raitt) – bags will be sent home today with all students.
- Ideas for the **new year**: Panago Pizza / Menchies / Meridian Meats / Neufelds / Mother's Day Planters / OP Pub. Looking for volunteers to head up these initiatives.
- **Cheque Drive** - Krisitin Spina has volunteered to spear head this. Need to solidify a goal for the fundraising (possibly class sets of Dell/Chrome books).
- **First Aid Courses** (Danny) – in learning cohorts in the gym at lunch/recess in the new year.

Grade 7 Update

- Christmas **gift exchange** – approx. 27 students taking part in off site, socially distanced exchange

Tech Updates (Mia/Megan)

- Yearbook (Mia) – will start this in the new year

Next Meeting – Thursday January 21 @ 9am