

## **PARENT ADVISORY COUNCIL**

### **Maillard Middle School PAC Meeting Minutes**

**Tuesday, January 15, 2018, 7:30 pm in Maillard's Library**

**Present:** Laurie Sviatko, Nora Najjar, Jackie Johannes , Will Davis , and Tristan McCutcheon.

**Minutes taken by:** Nora Najjar

**1. Approval of Motion:** Jackie Johannes  
Seconded: Will Davis

**2. Approval of Agenda:** Jackie Johannes  
Seconded: Will Davis

### **3. Principal's report:**

\* Positive feedback from workers on the hill at Mount Seymour about Maillard Middle's student conduct and organization.

\* Received an email from Lord Baden Powell about the good community at Maillard Middle.

\*230 students went to Mt. Seymour , 180 were supposed to attend school for fun activities already set in place by Maillard teachers , however, only 44 students showed up at school .

\* Maillard Middle has been selected by UBC's research team to conduct a study where kids will be taught mindful thinking strategies where by its implications would be visibly foreseen in student behavior and in their level of increased resiliency. An earlier study conducted on a variety of students has shown an increased resilience in about 85% of kids. The scientific process is called DNA Methylation by which a DNA is believed to adapt to its environment. Students of grades 6/7 will undergo several DNA testing from start till the end of the project and will be monitored for 6 months. Their saliva will be tested for the levels of Cortisol that may vary from start till end of the experiment.

-This experiment will be taught in class through science lessons and will be explained thoroughly to students as the program starts mid-February until the Spring Break.

-Laurie Sviatko' input: Leadership Kids in Maillard Middle joined other students in Rochester to support Guatemala schools.

\* Rochester's principal, John Cohen will visit Maillard as four of our students will visit Rochester at Lunch Break.

\* Thoughts on Expo classes visiting Rochester School.

#### **4. Treasurer's Report:**

\* 8,000 needs to go to the account

\* Joy has 6147 \$ (2017-2018) includes parents' donations

Ivan Cayote is visiting this Monday.

#### **5. New Business:**

\*April is selected for the Dance, day to be determined.

\*A dance for Valentine's Day is not welcome unanimously.

\*This year's Bake Sale made less than last year's probably because last year, parents pre -ordered online Krispy Donuts. This issue will be addressed in the next Bake Sale preparation.

\*Nora will be responsible for the Bake Sale in June, focusing on delivering healthier choices for parents to bake and kids to eat.

#### **6. Motion to Adjourn:**

Next meeting February 12@7:30 pm at Maillard's library.

Jackie Johannes adjourned

Will Davis seconded.