



PARENT ADVISORY COUNCIL



Maillard Middle School PAC Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, Sept. 17th, 2019, 6 PM in Maillard's Library

Present: Danny Revelant, Annick Lafrance, Raymond Loretan, Heather Darts, Ljlyana Oljaca, Tristan McCutcheon, Cheryl Lloyd, Adam Butler

Regrets: Gwen Leighton

Minutes taken by: Heather Darts

1. **Welcome and Introductions – Danny Revelant** Round table introductions by the group. Danny, Heather, Raymond, Cheryl Lloyd (new vice principal from Kwayhquitlum as VP), Tristan (Principal-2nd year), Adam, Annick, and Ljlyana.
2. **Approval of Previous Meeting's Minutes** – N/A as this is our first meeting for 2019
Moved: n/a
Seconded: n/a
3. **Treasurer's Report –Raymond Loretan**
There are two accounts that PAC controls-Main/Gaming. Balance start of year was \$8,737.12 balance – \$75 yearly fee for PAC renewal, Chad Ottahal \$120.00-DJ replacement cheque for Gr 8 leaving ceremony/Munch A Lunch annual fee \$336 leaving \$8,206.12. Gaming fund account has \$914.62 remaining. This money can only be used for specific school wide items.
4. **Principal's Report-Tristan and Cheryl:**
 - Twitter account is new this year: **@Maillard43**. It has been promoted in newsletter. First Spirit Assembly held a "Human Bowling" event and a video was posted on the Twitter account with Tristan and Cheryl. This account is to promote more communication with parent/student community.
 - BYOD (bring your own device) – was introduced two years ago but isn't common practice at Maillard due to the lack of teacher involvement, education and support. Ten out of fourteen middle schools have adopted BYOD. Maillard will assign one team to educate and get parents involved and schedule a meeting. There will be 20 rental lap tops to start implementing the process in Jan. 2020 with this team participating. Microsoft platform is preferred to Chrome book. Students will use Office 365/One Drive for school.
 - New Smart TV's-One tv was purchased with a rolling stand. Three more have been ordered by Tristan through the school district at half price discount of \$550 each. (Regular price is \$1200). The goal is to have all 17 classrooms with one per room.
 - Camp Evans Lake – for grade 8 English students is cancelled. Not enough interest.
 - School Theme-"We Hold the World Up" – Classes are assigned a country of the world to learn about. Topics brought forward are-Greta Thunberg Social Activist at age 16 for climate Change. Canadian organizers of "Me to We" promote worldwide youth involvement to bring about positive world-wide awareness of issues to change.

- Swim team, Cross Country and Volleyball teams have started.
- Drama production “Mulan” by Kids Can theatre registration is coming soon. Erin Gleeson to teach kids and have two performances. Per student cost of \$71 is subsidized by the school paying the difference. (per child fee is around \$140 from Kids Can)
- New Clubs – Table Top Board Games and a Harry Potter club are in the works
- Staffing – an extra English division was needed so all divisions had to be re-organized this year. French classes have ended up with fewer students per class. Great new bunch of dedicated teachers. Mr. Macmastor came down with Pneumonia so a retired teacher Mr. Jiwa has been substituting during his absence.
- Vaping – District nurses will come to talk to Maillard students about the negative health risks of vaping. Class to class is beneficial rather than school wide assembly. Disciplinary action and parents involved if caught and grow from there depending on degree of seriousness.
- Under the Same Sun Charity – She travelled to Tanzania to see first-hand what is being done to protect these children with Albinism. Danny asked that she advise the PAC on her fund-raising efforts for district regulations.

5. Update on Parent Consent Forms:

- Approximately 60 % of the students’ parents have submitted them.

6. What to do about “Missing” 2018 PAC documentations?

- A complete archive was promised to be delivered by Will Davis (former PAC Chair) on a USB key, which never happened. Nora sent all that she had electronically to Danny just recently. **No further action required.**

7. 2019 PAC’s Planned Initiatives/Expenditures:

- Maillard’s Teacher Wish List-“More 65” Smart TV’s on rolling stands / Want 17 total (one per classroom). They bought 1 and 3 more are ordered and on the way. Since four outdated projectors are broken and are very expensive to replace bulbs or repair, these will most likely be replaced with the smart tv’s.
- Power bars by Prime Cables cost approximately \$34 CDN dollars for two. Danny to price check out other supplier/brand options.
- Mr. Seah and Mme. Rotzien (Raven’s team) have submitted some wish list items. A new portable score clock was requested for the gym/workout Wednesdays too. The presented requests will be considered at the next PAC Meeting when the official budget is presented and voted on.
- PAC ha offered \$150 Teacher & \$50 EA Classroom Funds at the start of the year, but requested that the faculty consider pooling their funds to assist with their Wish List items being purchased sooner. Tristan to ask the staff.

- “A Plastic Ocean” Documentary Presentation - Is this worth investing in to present to the kids? Cost is \$300 each presentation or 2 for \$500. This can tie in with an Ocean awareness clean up day? Can be paid with Gaming funds. Gaming grant money will be forwarded in October. (422 students at Maillard x \$20 per student approximately \$8,440 total) Previously there have been two or three PAC funded presentations per year typically (\$750 cost each approximately). Cheryl will ask the school faculty to vote on choices. Sara Wells-Cdn Olympian/Amazing Race Canada can speak and does presentations. (district leadership council). She may cost a lot but perhaps we can split the cost with another school? or Mental Health education for children. ***\$500-\$700 cap was discussed for PAC to put on the budget for speakers***
- School-wide read is “A Long Walk to Water”-perhaps a presentation to tie in with this would be beneficial.
- BCTF Parent Presentations - Speakers are provided free of charge that give presentations to our school on various topics such as “Social Media for Parents”. We would like to host an evening in November at Maillard. Perhaps there are mental health, vaping and drug presentations? The Share Society could be contacted if they provide speakers on these topics. Graduation and transitions education training programs may be available too?
- Button Blanket made up of 4-Teams for School Entrance-Gayle will be contacted by Tristan to go through our Aboriginal youth worker. The grade 8 student Valedictorian may be cloaked with the blanket while giving their speech?

8. PAC Fundraising Initiatives

- **Family donations**-approximately \$2,000 so far.
- **SPC cards**-\$3.50 out \$10.50 cost goes to PAC fundraising. Students receive 15-20% per purchase at various merchants. Can we put up SPC posters? Tristan to advise.
- **2 or 3 dances**-Halloween dance is booked for Monday Oct. 28th, Spring (optional) and Year End. A theme is chosen and typically a movie plays on a back ground screen. (“Beetlejuice/Book of Life”?) \$5 admission tickets and \$5 pizza and Mio water combo. Parents must sign consent on back of ticket and be there at pick up time. 100 Frozen Yogurts and a freezer are provided and sold for \$3 each and cotton candy is also for sale. There are prizes for costumes, dance contest, limbo contest-\$10 gift cards typically. For costumes, there are no weapons and masks allowed.
- **Band Concerts** - The profits from the concession/baking/Krispy Kreme donuts for both concerts will be split evenly between the music department and the PAC. A vote was taken which resulted all “YES” for it.
- **Munch-A –Lunch program**-same as last year. Menus for Sushi, Subway-salad added, McDonald’s, Pizza from Little Ceasars. A request was asked to please have Joy send a reminder letter with dates/menus etc.
- **Adults Nights Fund Raising** – Multi-Cultural Night, Pub Night, Trivia Night. The Multi Cultural Night is tentatively scheduled for the 3rd week of February. Beer/Wine and food donated from community families and/or restaurants. We will advertise the restaurants who donate foods. We may use a token system? Cheryl suggested calling it “Sample Around the World”. Tristan requires a liquor license and a bar tender with “Serving it right” certificate. Security might be necessary and Tristan will look into this. Pending more planning and discussion.

- **Purdy's Chocolates**-Michelle Nijjer has volunteered to run a Purdy's Chocolates fundraiser between Nov. 2nd – Dec. 9th/19
- **Vesey's Fundraising/Growing Smiles Flowers-Christmas/Mother's day?/Meat Sale?/Shred-It (in the Spring)**-these fundraisers may be planned too.

9. Other School led initiatives:

- Winter Day for whole school – Seymour (PAC can support by arranging bus transportation - \$2150) 10 busses cost \$8000
- Grade 8 English – no event planned at this time
- No team jerseys required or equipment
- PAC will give \$800 PAC for the Grade 8 leaving ceremony (request for parent organizers for this event)
- Emergency Preparedness – Tristan to check the food items/water and will advise. Storing items is challenging. To be looking into this.
- School beautification/maintenance. Tristan will request outside school walls/siding to be cleaned and inspection of the basketball court for maintenance from the School District.

10. PAC's Meeting Schedule-on the website: maillardpac.com

11. Motion to adjourn at 8:05pm. Next meeting is Oct 8th in Maillard's library at 6pm.

Moved: Ljlyana

Seconded: Raymond