



PARENT ADVISORY COUNCIL

(PAC)



Maillard Middle School PAC Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, February 11th, 2020, 6 PM in Maillard's Library

Present: Danny Revelant, Raymond Loretan, Heather Darts, Tristan McCutcheon, Cheryl Lloyd, Annick Lafrance

Regrets: Gwen Leighton

Minutes taken by: Heather Darts

Welcome and Introductions – Danny Revelant

Approval of Previous Meeting's Minutes – Dec. 11th, 2019

Moved: Danny Revelant

Seconded: Raymond Loretan

Chair's Report – Danny Revelant

- New opportunities with fundraising
- Spring Dance? Ideas forthcoming
- Munch – a lunch report
- Ski Trip is a great opportunity for the students. Getting a season's pass is great extra value that should be promoted for future years.
- Several emails from DPAC are abundant, but volunteers are not coming forward
- Made contacts with LG & Samsung reps. LG department provide discounts through local suppliers but the offer is only until April/May 2020. Warranties that are purchased but not used, will be put towards new products. (there are two credits to utilize this year)
- TV Update – how many are necessary to replace? (Target is three per year) First priority is to replace old projectors with TV's moving forward. Any tv's will be great this year. To be advised.

Treasurer's Report – Raymond Loretan

- Unsure of account accuracy of balance/credits and withdrawals compared to our budget spreadsheet
- A motion to disclose account reconciliation to be done at a later date.
- Disclosure that our PAC financial institution, Westminster Savings, is merging with Prospera which may affect our terms of business.

Principal's Report - Mr. McCutcheon/Mrs. Lloyd:

- 50 students are off to Quebec for the week. A wonderful blog and photographs are being updated daily for families to view. It's cold there and going to be – 23 degrees on Friday. Great times!
- BYOD is going well with the 4 teachers using Office 365 platform. No binders/papers, pencils text books etc. which make it very convenient and very environmentally friendly. Handing in assignments on-line from home is a benefit. More teams are slated to begin in November

2020/Jan 2021 before the school wide roll-out. Grade 6/7 Mme. Mannavarayan's team will be ready as they are the test team this year. Two teams want to start now, but will be held back until ready to go. TST support teacher from the district came to show the faculty tips/training before they begin. School wide digital boot camp lessons with technology for all students will be planned.

- Enrollment – high school forms for grade 8's are in already. Events are being planned already for new student coming in September 2020. Cross boundary enrollment is on-going now too.
- Parent teacher, student, conferences will be the 2nd week of March 10,11,12. Great goal setting with teachers, students and parents and is very beneficial for all.
- Epigenetics presentation – Two classrooms are participating in the training. One control group and one variable group for self regulation exercises (mindfulness) every week for 8 weeks. They re-test students' DNA for both groups and see what results occur. Training titled "Mind up" is available. Goldie Hawn introduced this meditative training based on feelings to various educator communities.
- Presentations – Dave Johnson is a plane crash survivor who spoke previously and will speak again (people over pixels) with a social media presentation for students on March 10th.
- Jessica Kruger – former Maillard student will speak to students to tell her story. She broke her neck which resulted in full paralysis (quadriplegic) after a fall while volunteer painting for Habit for Humanity. She is a successful model, Olympian, and business owner (Stubborn Bakery web business). She will speak to students on March 11th. Raymond asked "Will she advocate for fundraising initiatives using her celebrity status?"
- Sports update – girls grade 7 basket ball team are undefeated. Grade 8 boys are undefeated too! Wrestling program is underway with local athlete, Chris Wilson (former Olympian and Kidsport organizer) helping out coaching and mentoring.
- Mulan – was a great success!
- Place Maillard have great after school programs offered.
- Librarian creates a make their own space to have a creative outlet for kids during lunch breaks
- Band trip update – dates to be confirmed. Is there a Munch a lunch day conflict?

Munch-A-Lunch Report – Annick Lafrance:

- Profit \$250 for the last meal. There will be approximately \$2,500 fundraising profit for the eight lunches for the year. Danny and Annick shop for deals to cut costs for maximum profit!

Fundraisers Update:

- SPC – 8 sold approximately
- Family Donations - \$3100 (deposited to our school KEV account)
- Purdy's Chocolates Christmas Drive – \$701.40 profit:
Thanks to Michelle Nijjer to organize this initiative
- Possible Upcoming Fundraisers
 - Western Direct – Cookie/Pie/Cinnamon Bun Fundraiser from Surrey. Gwen may take this on as she mentioned in previous PAC meetings.
 - Plant Sale for Mother's Day (May) Website ordering can be done once it's set up with Growing Smiles. \$35 delivery cost if the \$900 minimum isn't met. Since this is the we had poor results from the Christmas Poinsettia sale, it was decided to pass on this one.

- Oxford Learning – Tutoring. They offered two \$100 certificates and brochures to market their company. It's a potential conflict to recommend a tutoring company so we will pass on this initiative.
- Shred it fundraiser - Heather asked Michelle Nijjer who recommended Sameh Fossen's company may provide this service for our school wide fundraiser. To be determined.
- Spring Dance – Danny & Annick to organize for Thursday April 30th from 5:30 pm – 8 pm. Instead of a movie playing, there could be a visual back ground on the screen instead. The half gym works well. Tristan and Cheryl to ask teachers and students if they have any theme ideas that can be put to a vote? “Sock Hop”, “Dress your best Spring Fling”, “Glow in the Dark”?

Grade 8 Leaving Committee Update & Fundraising Initiatives – Heather Darts

- Two meetings so far. BBQ / Activities on school property are underway-NO COST EVENT
- Plan to feed 158 students, all grade 8 teachers, Principal & Vice Principal and parent volunteers (around 190 people)
- Details - Renting a Photo Booth, kids creating a custom “Graffiti Wall” with Sharpie pens, Skill activities/game stations (Life Size Jenga, Kerplunk, Twister, Ice walk challenge, pool noodle sword fights, tug of war etc.), cupcakes and make your own ice cream sundae stations and a couch/seating lounge area. Music will be played with a playlist recommended by the kids.
- We will reserve the cafeteria for preparation/fridge/freezer storage and the whole lower level in case of rain. The grass field and back parking area will be used if it's a sunny day.
- Slide Show will be shown for grade 8's. Susan Benedict has volunteered to create one. We will need help from all grade eight teachers to ask students for baby photos please. We'd like to use year book photos too.
- The ceremony is a year end recognition assembly and the grade eight leaving ceremony together. The time frame was requested early so parents can plan work schedules accordingly. 9AM – 10:30 was mentioned. With mingling, family photos afterward in the gym.
- A poll letter will be distributed asking students & teachers what food choices they want shortly (Beef or Veggie Burger, or Hot Dog) along with what favourite music artist/group +/- or songs they request.
- **Grade 8 event fundraising:** Two glazed donut sales are planned for Fri. Feb. 21st, 2020 & Thurs. April April 9th/2020 @ lunch time in the Foyer - \$1.00 each (Carmen Scott to manage). Jumbo Freezies to be sold on Sunny days during either lunch or after school outside the front door. Announcements and newsletter emails will be emailed to help promote.
- School Equipment – an email with specific school equipment questions will be sent to Tristan and Cheryl to advise.

Additional Items/Open Floor - none

Next Meeting is Tuesday, March 10th, 2020 at 6 pm in Maillard Library

Motion to Adjourn at 7:20

Moved: Danny

Seconded: Heather