

# **DRAFT to be presented at next General PAC Meeting for approval**

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

**Tuesday, September 22, 2018, 7:00 pm in Maillard ZOOM**

Tuesday, Sept. 22nd, 2019, 6 PM via Zoom

**Present:**

**Minutes taken by:** Erica Gjaltema

### **Introductions/ Welcome – 2 minutes**

Tristan McCutcheon, Jennifer Nichols, Will Davis, Erica Gjaltema, Jane Straker Grey, Heather Keeping, Amy Lefrancois, Monica Torres, Ida Tam, Hiep, Mass Jayah, Patrizia, Zanotti, Lauren Rotzien, Mina, So Man Ho, Wendy Catherwood, Mervin

### **Adoption of March, 2020 minutes – 3 minutes**

Proposed: Danny

Seconded: Patrizia

- TV stand purchased over the summer while funds that were previously allotted, prices were better in the summer
- The crosswalk petition is on hold for now due to discussion with by-law, Danny will bring it up at another meeting.

### **Adoption of September, 2020 Agenda – 2 minutes**

Proposed: Erica

Seconded: Danny

### **Principal's Report – 20 minutes (Principal McCutcheon, Vice-Principal Nichols)**

**Tristan:**

- protocols have been set by the provincial health officer and everything has been implemented. Everything is going well, students and staff are adjusting well. Tristan and Jennifer are currently dealing with unanswered questions and insuring that everyone is following protocols.
- Mr. Seah is looking to start up band in a reduced capacity, to follow public health protocols. Class cohorts each take their own section of the room so different class cohorts will be their own section as opposed to each instrument being their own section.
- the meal programs will be provided for a limited number of kids and done as bagged meals.
- the BYOD is being held back due to having trouble getting surveys back. We need to know how many laptops to loan out.

## Jennifer:

- gradual return option – for families feeling uneasy to send their children back right away for a variety of reasons. The families are taking a wait and see approach. We have about 40 families on the list. It's a fluid list where families are starting to come off that list and into the classroom.
- the district has hired teachers to give out work package to the families and collect/mark at the end of the week. These kids will soon be transitioned to be their classroom teachers so they can virtually connect periodically.

## Principal Q & A – COVID-19

- no confirmed cases of Covid have happened at Maillard and possibly the whole district.
- Q: Has Mr. Seah looked at using the gym to have a larger band, like Charles Best? A: The gym is currently used for PE so there is no room to store equipment, but the idea is being looked at. Our gym is smaller and we only have one where as Charles Best has two.
- Q: What is the federal funding being used for? A: A certain amount has gone to the provincial government. Is is being spread out to the districts. It's mostly being used for cleaning supplies/hand washing, extra caretaking time and that sort of thing. The districts don't yet know how much they'll receive and how it will be distributed. Hopefully, we'll hear soon. The district has a list of resources that extra money is being spent on. No teachers have mentioned having spent own money on classroom cleaning supplies. Some have bought plexiglass dividers. Some school funds might be spent on dividers in the future for certain situations.
- the Home Idle store in Vancouver has lots of plexiglass in bulk and presentation dividers for a reasonable price. A potential option for the school and individual teachers.
- Maillard is the only school dealing with their own rentals and therefore keeping 100% of the fees. There are new limitations for rentals groups and district wants to standardize how rentals are dealt with so our revenue has been taken. We'll retain about 20% instead of 100%. Tristan is learning to run the school with less funds. Now he needs to be more conservative with the spending . We no longer have the great revenue source. So far gaming grants have not been definitely given out. We will likely hear the amount at the beginning of October.
- Tristan plans to argue that we should be a designated as a "community school". This would mean more of the rental funds would be kept at the school and helps level the playing field as our socioeconomic group is very diverse. It might be helpful for parents and PAC to help lobby. Tristan will let us know.
- Tristan was renting to several smaller community groups and cadets. They will be allowed to remain for this year but it is unknown if this will continue in the future.

## Treasurers Report – 8 minutes

- the PAC has not yet had a chance to really do anything or make any spending decisions yet. So far all efforts have gone into the transition of new routines and procedures.
- the PAC currently has close to \$12,000. Some of that Much-a-Lunch credit that we need to be careful not to spend. We anticipate receiving about \$7,660 in the gaming grant but won't know for sure until the grant is formally given out. It could be much lower due to the casinos being closed.
- so far, the only money that we've spent since the last PAC meeting is money that was already approved in March. There has been no new expenditures since March.
- how do we support teachers? We give teachers a start up amount to spend on whatever they need. Maillard has a legacy fund for teachers to use for the kids. Can we continue this? How much? \$500? 15 divisions, 4 Expo teachers, 3 Student Services, 7 EA. In the past, teachers get \$150, \$50 for expo and EA.

- it was decided that we would stick to the same amount as in past year but also include some for EAs. We will give \$150 to every classroom teacher, EXPO teacher and Student Services teachers. We will also give \$50 to each EA. In a future PAC meeting we will again examine our numbers, after knowing the gaming grant, and look at giving the staff more money.
- it was asked if we should look into online cultural experiences in place of the assembly style of having a group come into the school. Tristan is more concerned with the culture and atmosphere of the school than giving the cultural experiences for this year. Walking field trip are logistically difficult due to cohorts and isolating from other people when the class arrives. We could look into ways to promote school spirit like having masks with the team logo.
- beyond the legacy fund, is there other things we can do to support teachers school wide? Is there supplies we can purchase to make the outside experience better? We may know more after the Friday ProD. The staff will discuss what
- keep teacher money at \$150 per teacher with the potential to add more once we find out the gaming grant amount.

Nominate teacher money:

Proposed: Heather

Seconded: Mina

- Wishlist – masks with team logo , outdoor experience, online cultural events for school wide use to build spirit (bring field trips into the classrooms)

**New Business – 12 minutes Other business**

- Purdys – push to next meeting, must be completely online
- Munch a Lunch – request that the process be put on hiatus. Maybe it can be started up mid year. We still have credits for a number students from the Spring.

**Meeting adjourned at 8:34**

Proposed: Jane

Seconded: Lauren