



# Auguston Traditional Elementary School

## ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING MINUTES for APRIL 30th, 2019

PAC Executive in Attendance: Bal Claire, Yolanda Davidowich, Tina Poudrier-Beck, Jessica Dowdall, Jenny Donegan, Selena Medema, Deesh Sekhon, Allie Snider, Laura Brown

### 1. Approval of February's Minutes

Approved and seconded.

### 2. Approval of the Agenda

Approved and seconded.

### 3. Principal's Report

**Enrollment:** Kindergarten enrollment lottery will take place June 15th. About half of those children have siblings here and the other half are new families. If French Immersion programs are cancelled next year there may be more kindergarteners.

The first week of school in the fall will likely look the same as last year with class lists posted at the end of the first week.

**Computer Lab:** Computer lab (older Mac lab) will be removed at the end of June. These computers are not supported by the district. Question: What will happen to the computer lab space? Answer: Still undecided.

#### **School Events:**

Congratulations to our girls' basketball team, champions at the ATMS basketball tournament.

The Lego Contest went well and we had 7 judges from the district. Thank you Dee and parents for helping to organize this.

Congratulations to our chess team on winning the tournament on the weekend.

Division 2 raised and donated \$1000 worth of school supplies and items to the Cyrus Centre who work with homeless youth. They were featured in the Abbotsford News and the mayor is planning a visit with them.

The Run for Water School Mini Run is on May 10th. So far we have raised \$700!

**School Plan:** Changing from a focus on social emotional learning to math inquiry. Starting to engage staff in this process to dive deeper into the curriculum, and would love parent input, too.

#### **4. Financial Report**

Please find the Financial Report, Operational Budget and 5-Year Gaming Grant Plan attached.

Tina presented the Financial Report and Operational Budget. Both were approved and seconded.

Question: Where does no uni money go? Answer: Historically it has been split between charity and grade 5 farewell. We can decide what we do with this money going forward. Whatever we do we want to be transparent.

Tina presented the Teachers Wish List. We had a healthy surplus and asked teachers to let us know of any needs they had. We used the Gaming Grant as a guide to decide how to spent the funds. This is how the money has been allocated:

\$1000: Originally requested for home reading books in a kindergarten class but decided to spend this on library books that all students can benefit from.

Statement from the floor: Leveled home reading books aren't library books. They're very expensive and hard to find.

After deliberating we voted 'Yes' to instead spend this money on the originally asked for home reading books.

\$200: Spuds & Salad Luncheon. Supplementary food and sides for this project.

\$900: Drumming Instruction. This will be booked for next year and in subsequent years funds can come out of the Gaming Grant

\$1000: Artist in Residence

\$500: Replacement nets for outdoor hoops

\$150: Skipping ropes & ribbons

Total: \$3750.

Motion put forward to approve the Wish List spending. Approved and seconded.

#### **5. Committee Updates**

##### **Fun Fair**

This year we are utilizing the outdoors & field as well as the school for the Fun Fair. The budget for Fun Fair was raised so we could bring in things like a climbing wall, professional photo booth (pictures given out on the spot), Little Monsters face painting, dunk tank, snocones & cotton candy.

So many things go on behind the scenes. Dee has organized the fundraising portion. Thank you very much, Dee! The silent auction portion is coming along well. Thank you Amber, Machella and Leanne for helping to wrap items. There are 38 baskets for the auction, including gift cards. Dee feels it will be important to do a debrief after the event to see how we can make things better for the event and get more parents involved right from the beginning next year.

We are still looking for more volunteers for May 3rd. Allie & Yolanda are organizing all volunteers, thank you! We've had under 500 pre-ordered admissions but many people come and pay that day.

Only cash and cheques are accepted at the Fun Fair. The White Spot truck also accepts debit.

### **Grade 5 Farewell**

The grade 5 parents met and planning is going well. Freezie Friday fundraising starts on May 10th.

### **6. Upcoming Events**

Fun Fair - May 3rd

Freezie Fridays begin May 10

Popcorn Day - May 9th

Hot Lunch (Booster Juice) - May 24th

Math Mania - May 15 6:30-8pm

SFU students coming to set up math stations. Parents have to stay. We do need to buy volunteers pizza

### **7. Election of Executives**

#### **Chairperson**

Jane Bazan is a nurse practitioner who recently completed her master's degree. She is excited to become a member of the PAC executive and shares a similar vision to Mr. Colbert on the direction of the school. She is new to this role and appreciates any help and suggestions.

As there are no other nominations from the floor for Chair, Jane is our new Chairperson.

#### **Vice Chair**

Yolanda Davidowich and Amber Heard are both running for this position. Yolanda has a daughter in kindergarten and has been a PAC member at different school for 10 years. She has a lot of knowledge to share and can support the Chair. Amber is new to the PAC but has been at the school for 5 years and volunteers 2 to 3 times a week helping teachers, PAC and with Fun Fair. She wants the opportunity to help out more and organize more events at the school.

After voting, Amber Heard is our new Vice Chair.

**Treasurer**

Jessica Dowdall was nominated as Treasurer and, as there were no additional nominations from the floor, is our new Treasurer.

**Assistant Treasurer**

Tina Poudrier-Beck was nominated as Assistant Treasurer and, as there were no additional nominations from the floor, is our new Assistant Treasurer

**DPAC**

Krista Kobayashi was nominated as DPAC Representative and, as there were no additional nominations from the floor, is our new DPAC Rep.

**Member-at-Large**

Deesh Sekhon was nominated as our new Member-at-Large and, as there are no other nominations from the floor, is our new Member-at-Large.

The following positions are still vacant: Secretary, Fundraising Chair, Hot Lunch Chair, and one additional Member-at-Large position.

Meeting Adjourned: 7:10pm