

**Shoreline Community Middle School
PAC Meeting
Thursday, November 26, 2020
7:00 – 8:00 p.m.**

Minutes

Meeting Start 7:00 p.m.

INTRODUCTIONS

Attendees:

15 attendees

PAC Executive:

Michelle Popoff (Chair),
Lesley Valour (Treasurer and Acting Secretary),
Meaghan Shute (BCPAC Rep),
Jennifer McGladrey (Member At Large),
Tina Tulloch (Member At Large)

Administration/Guests:

Gautam Khosla (Principal) & Micha Seaberg (Vice-Principal)

REPORTS

Seaquaria Presentation

Yuko Lin – Education Coordinator for Seaquaria Ocean Education. They are a non-profit organization that is responsible for the large saltwater aquarium in the main hallway of the school. The aquarium is set up in September and taken down in June. It is an educational tool that provides the benefits of outdoor education without the students having to leave the school. It costs approximately \$1,600/year to run the tank and the organization has applied to the PAC for funding to keep the program running.

PAC Executive News

Secretary position is vacant. If you are interested, please email ShorelineschoolPAC@gmail.com

Treasurer Update

Gaming Account - \$13,000 (approximate) – prior to purchase of three bike racks.
General Account - \$5,200 (approximate)

Three bike racks have been purchased using Gaming Account funds and will be installed soon.

Teachers and program leaders will be submitting requests by November 30th for additional classroom/program funds. PAC Executive will review requests and allocate Gaming Account funds based on priority needs and funds available.

Since Gaming Account funds can only be used for Extracurricular Activities for students, and not core class requirements, the PAC Executive decided to allocate funds from the General Account

to support the purchase of books for the school library and classroom libraries. General Account funds are raised through parent fundraising activities.

Fundraising – Entertainment Books

Entertainment Books are being sold now. You can purchase a hard copy or an online version for any location in Canada. If you purchase an online version and travel, when you are in the different location you can enter the postal code and coupons for that location will show online for you.

An email with details has been sent to parents via the weekly Shoreline Newsletter.

Possible Parent Education Night Topics

A List of possible topics will be created on the PAC tab on the Shoreline School website. Some topics suggested, so far:

- Non-violent communication
- The teenage brain
- Youth gaming and gambling addictions

Administration Update (Gautam/Micha)

- Dance program - starting next week and will run from December to June. Each classroom will be getting one hour of dance instruction that includes pizza.
- Dungeons and Dragon program – has started up.
- Cross country running program – has started up.
- Bike racks – have been ordered and should be arriving in December.
- Seacan – has been delivered to the back of the school. Shelves and supplies will be going in shortly and should be fully stocked soon. There is an art project planned to paint 300 fish on the outside.
- Outdoor Stairs – kids are sliding/falling down the muddy hills. Gautam is hoping to have outdoor stairs installed in the new year. They need to be designed and approved by the Township of View Royal prior to installation.
- Canoe Area – there is a gate on the path side of the school which has freed up space. Mats have been ordered and this will create a new outdoor covered space area.
- Grade 6 Survey (MDI) – a survey for Grade 6 students to check on their wellness will be sent soon.
- Holiday Season – the school will not be able to do the traditional annual school breakfast since the intention of the event is to bring the students together and given the Covid restrictions this is not feasible this year. The school is open to alternative idea's, so please contact the school.
- Hampers – Gautam will be asking the school community if they are open to raising money to purchase gift cards to give as a hamper.
- Spirit Wear – should be available in the new year for purchase online.
- Anti-racism Pro-D Day – all the teacher's received anti-racism training which incorporated kindness and changing our language to help people change how they think and feel.
- Student Counsel – is starting next week.
- Big Canoe – it is a joy to go out on the water with the kids. A budget request will be made

shortly to the PAC Executive.

- End of year canoe trip – there is uncertainty that the traditional canoe trip will be able to happen in June 2021. The administration will decide in the new year if it can proceed. If not, the administration will come to PAC in January or February to discuss possible alternatives.
- Frisbee Disk Golf – there is the possibility that folding chain-link frisbee catchers could be purchased and set up for students to play disk golf.

NEXT MEETING

Next PAC meeting – Thursday, January 28, 2021.