# DeBeck PAC Meeting Minutes February 8, 2024 at 6:30pm

## **Welcome and Land Acknowledgment**

Chair: PoonamTreasurer: Kevin

• Secretaries: Leah and Lisa

# Call to order @6:30pm

#### **Attendance**

 Poonam Kaler, Lisa Schwartz, Cori Anderson, Audrey Lavers, Eva Poon, Theresa Wong, Leah Penrose, Kevin Lim-Kong, Lisa Santos, Janet Chow, Kana Shorin, Sandy Dhaliwal

#### 1. Minutes -

Approval of previous PAC meeting minutes

Motioned: Kevin Approved: Audrey

# 2. Updates from our Principal and Vice Principal

#### Basketball Season-

 Basketball season has begun. We have two teams, a grade 6/7 girls team coached by Ms. Greenwell and a grade 6/7 boys team coached by Ms. Chiu. We thank them for volunteering their time to make these programs possible for our students. There will be one tournament at Palmer on March 6 and 7 th that both teams will attend. For the boys' team, only the grade 7s will participate.

## • Student Leadership and Spirit Days-

- Our student leaders (Connection Crew) are organizing a few upcoming Spirit Days:
  - Fri. Feb. 9 th Hat Day
  - Wed. Feb 28 th Pink Shirt Day
  - Fri. Mar. 1 st Sports Team/Sports Wear
  - Fri. Mar. 8 th Decades Day- dress in clothes from the 80s, 90s or 2000s
  - Thu. Mar. 14 th PJ Day

## • PAC Input- Dance Style for December 2024-

 We would like to secure dance lessons and a performance for December 2024 and we welcome PAC feedback on the style. We have heard good things about Bollywood lessons, but we are open to other suggestions.

### Swimming Lessons-

 Grade 2's will be attending swimming lessons at Minoru Centre from May 13th to May 24th with no lessons on May 17th or 20th. Information for registration will be coming out to grade two families the week of February 26th

## • Grade 6/7 Outdoor Education-

Grade 6/7 students will be attending Camp Jubilee for two nights September 25th -27th, 2024. The purpose of going to camp in September is to provide leadership sessions and opportunities for our grade 6/7 students. We have approximately 105 students who will attend and in order to meet district ratios for field trips, we will be sending 10 staff members. Students are required to have Red Cross

- Swim Kids 5 and/or Swim for Life Swimmer 4 to participate in water sports like kayaking and canoeing.
- The City of Richmond offers Water Safe courses for students who do not have that level so they can still participate in water sports while at camp. Information about camp and the Water Safe course will come out at the beginning of March.

# • Seismic Update

- Ground has been broken!
- The Seismic crew continue to prep the portables for occupancy at the end of February. The digging that is taking place is for the Ministry Funded daycare that will be created upon the completion of the seismic upgrade. The building will reside behind the Music/Hatch building.
- o Doing digging now for power lines which will save time at the end
- Concern was raised about the access to washrooms and hand washing while students are in the portables.
  - Portable toilets will be installed as well as hand washing stations. Fobs will also be provided for students to enter the school

## 3. Treasurer Update

- Operating Account, just over \$25K
- Gaming Account, is just over \$17,500K (some funds can only be held for one year)
- Munch a lunch main source of income for PAC
- iPad Direct Drive \$4500 from parents, and need to get to \$5000k, last direct call out was just sent, so hoping to reach the goal.
- Chess Group a lot of uptake and excitement. We need to update some of the boards to a higher quality board for longevity as well as add more sets to allow more students to play rather than spectate.
  - Proposal for PAC to donate \$500 towards chess sets
  - Motioned: Audrey Approved: Kevin

#### 4. Grade 7 Committee

- Donut sales are a great success sold out very quickly
- Alternative is a BINGO night

#### 5. Q & A

- Currently our movie license has expired and it is quite expensive and with the uncertainty of the usage of the gym during seismic upgrades we will not be renewing it.
- ERASE will share the information with the group

Meeting adjourned: 6:52pm