

Talmey Parent Advisory Council

Minutes

January 15th, 2018

Chair: Melissa Chui

Secretary: Gabriela Draheim

Treasurer: Tosa Rusimovici

Members at Large: Kristin, Julia, Adam, Amy

In Attendance: Melissa, Gabriela, Tosa, Al, Adam, Julia, Ashley, Chris, Amy, Jana, Mary

Call to Order

Melissa called the meeting to order at 6:43

- Approved and there was one addition to the agenda—Discussion re: Yoga Program (funding Request)

1. Secretary's Report

- Reviewed November's meeting minutes
- Voted & approved

2. Chairperson's Report

- Welcome to new members
- Goals for 2017-2018:
 1. to increase parental involvement in the school and in PAC functions, including fundraisers, services for students, performances and information sessions
 2. to generate enough income through fundraisers to be able to fund field trips, performances and other special activities
- Upcoming PAC events and information:
 - Baseball: Jan. 15-19
 - Bollywood Dance: Feb. 5-9, evening performance on Feb. 9 (cost of extra \$150 to PAC)
 - Spring Carnival: March 2 (*to be discussed in New Business)
 - Potential Movie Night #2 –revisit for April/May??

3. Treasurer's Report

- Financial Update—current profit \$8529.61 for the year so far.
- Voted & approved

4. Celebrations and Successes

- Movie Night—Cars 3—large turn out! *bit of an issue with sound—will check into this for next time. Sold lots of snacks at Snackshack (over \$120 worth ☺)

5. Administrative Report

*transferring to other schools in the future will be more difficult due to class sizes, seismic upgrade issues etc.

*District also looking at standard time schedules (start/finish times) amongst all schools

*Code of Conduct—is also under review in Richmond. A new definition is being introduced: boils down to:

Respect self, **Respect** others, **Respect** this place

*School event suggestion: Family Potluck to take place prior to the evening Bollywood Dance performance

*Baseball Program—throwing/catching fundamentals were introduced today. (*this is a Free Program delivered during regular PE times)

- School clubs and teams update—Basketball will be starting soon (Mr. Snyder & Mr. Emsley will be coaching)

- Staff update—current “substitute” librarians are able to continue coverage while Ms. Goldman is off. Mrs. Dhillon is on gradual return to work. Hoping to fill the area counsellor role soon
- 21 grade 6/7 International Students will be coming for 3 weeks. (arrive Thurs. Jan 25th)

6. School Planning Council Report

Jan 30th Pro-day—will focus on Mindfulness etc.

- School wide goal for 2017-2018: Working within the Core Competencies of Communication and Personal Awareness & Responsibility we are utilizing the concepts of Growth Mind Set and Mindfulness training for students and staff to enhance the resiliency of students in dealing with anxiety and school connections.
- The Spirals of Inquiry update

7. Committee Reports

1. Fruit and Vegetable—January 23 is the next date & the scheduled product is Kiwifruit. Students will be asked to bring a spoon for easier eating. *Gabriela is unable to help out for this day, so if someone is available to help out, that would be great*
2. Hot lunch and Snack Shack—pizza sales continue to be running smoothly. To date, no one has volunteered to take on the role of Hot lunch coordinator, so day Pizza Days are what we can currently offer for hot lunch.
3. Popcorn--there will be a sale tomorrow at first recess
4. Fundraising—nothing new to report.
5. Yearbook—cover has been picked. Many photos have been submitted. Class pages will be mocked up by Kristen/Ashley and then sent over to Al for final review/approval.

8. New Business

- PAC Mail: If anything you saw in the mail interested you, and you'd like to pursue it further, please mention it at this time
- Booking Saleema Noon iGirl and iGuy programs for next year?(brochure was circulated & Melissa will look into it further to see what it would involve logistically & financially)
- Update request: Outdoor Education for 2017/18 school year—Teacher involvement is completely voluntary. Options being considered: Snowshoeing or Urban camping in Stanley Park. Currently, Ms. Feng is willing to go & Al would join as the required male chaperone. Cost is minimal (\$72). First come first serve—new registration has not yet opened for Urban Camping. Al plans to connect with staff & have a confirmed update in February.
- Yoga program—approximately \$1800 cost for 8-9 divisions, 5 sessions-- 1 per week.) Tosa has looked at the budget & we could donate \$250 at this time unless we take away from some other previously planned activities Voted & passed motion for a \$250 contribution
- Spring Carnival--discussed \$250 for a “professional” photo booth/ talk of a raffle/ \$10 fee for a raffle license/prizes/silent auction etc./ Arrived at April 13 as the new proposed date 6:30-8:00—to give more time for prep & planning & voted/approved \$100 in further funding (if photo booth isn't available for the 13th, April 6th is a back-up date).
- Bollywood Evening Performance—Potluck Dinner—5:30 in MPR/Gym—attending families will bring a dish to share & necessary plates/cutlery for themselves) Performance at 6:30 –Ashley has offered to help with set up etc.& Melissa will be available as well.
- Movie night is now proposed for March 2nd. (depending on availability of movies)

Thanks to Jana for bringing snacks!

Next PAC Meeting: Monday February 26th