

Norma Rose Point PAC Meeting Minutes

Date: May 15, 2018

Location: NRP Boardroom

AGENDA

Approval of April 2018 PAC Minutes

PAC Chair Report

Financial Report

Committee Reports

Staff Report

New Items

PAC Executive in attendance: Sharon Yu (Chair), Kelli Kadokawa (Co-Secretary), Julie Wang (Parent Education Committee); Beth Krisciunas (Lunch Committee Chair), Rob Peregoodoff (Member at Large), Wendy Yip (Co-Secretary), Rachel Wu (VSB DPAC Representative)

Parents in attendance: In addition to the PAC Executive, Csilla Tamas, Laura Zajac, Fariba Hafezi, Fei Liu, Ivy Gao, Nadezhda Ganeheva, Connie Chen, Melanie Hidber

School Admin & Staff in attendance:

Rosa Fazio (Principal), Karen Noel Bentley (Vice Principal)

Call to Order: 6:36pm

Greetings and acknowledgement that we live and work on the traditional lands of the Musqueam People.

Introductions

A round of introductions of those present

Approval of April PAC meeting minutes

Motion: To approve the minutes from the February PAC meeting (with 1 minor edit to enter actual dates for Years of Golden Pig and Dragon, per parent's request). Rob P. moved to approve, Csilla T. seconded. All in favor, motion passed

PAC Chair Report – Sharon

Spring Fair

The Spring Fair was held on Friday, May 11. It was a huge success. Lots of positive feedback has been received. Comments and suggestions should be emailed to the PAC, rosepointpac@gmail.com

Thank you to all the volunteers: parents, caregivers, numerous Grade 8s, Grade 6s, some UHill Secondary student volunteers, and the Spring Fair Committee (Sharon Yu, Beth Krisciunas, Fariba Hafezi, Arthur Louie, Wendy Yip, Laura Zajac, Kelli Kadokawa.) Special mention was made of Sharon's, Kelli's, Fariba's, and Arthur's hard work above and beyond the call of duty.

Extraordinary Volunteer Acknowledgement

There are about 15-20 volunteers who have provided 50+ hours of service, who deserve special recognition. This might encourage more people to volunteer, which is what we need.

Brian, the Debate Coach, should also be acknowledged.

Sharon proposed that those who provided 50 hours of service or more to the school in one academic year, receive a certificate and a small token. Beth K. suggested setting up a Volunteer Recognition Program and actual details can be sorted out in committee.

Motion: To set up a volunteer recognition program, and to spend up to \$500 this year, from the PAC discretionary fund, to acknowledge extraordinary volunteers (not including PAC Executive Members). Rob P. moved to approve, Connie C. seconded. All in favor, motion passed.

Financial Report – Sharon presented on behalf of Hisham

- A. Current bank balance: \$98,826.16
- B. Lunch Accounts Receivable: \$536.30
- C. Lunch Payments to be Transferred: \$3,151.62

- D. Total Funds Available (A+B+C): \$102,516.62

- E. Lunch Vendor Payable: \$57,229.28
- F. Direct Appeal To Be Paid Out: \$13,559.19

- G. Total Committed Expenses (E+F): \$70,788.61

- H. Discretionary Funds Available (D-G): \$31,727.61

- I. Budgeted PAC Expenses: \$7,103.12
- J: Budgeted PAC Exec Discretionary Expenses: \$2,056.89

- K: Remaining Funds (H-I-J): \$22,567.60

Committee Reports

Lunch committee update – Beth K.

A survey will be going out to both parents and students for feedback on the lunch program.

Fariba H. continues to look into new vendors/caterers with an aim to stay healthy and affordable.

The PAC should communicate with existing vendors regarding parents' perception that the quality of the hot lunches has declined.

For any questions or comments, please contact rosepointpaclunch@gmail.com

Parent Education – Julie W.

Parent Conversation Group

May 4: Conversation on mental health resources with Sarah Welton, NRP school counsellor.

They talked about different ways kids are identified for meeting with the counselor.

Sarah and Esaine Mo, NRP Settlement Worker, are discussing a Parent Support Group to provide resources for parents

June 6: Final Conversation Group meets on the topic "Talking About Drugs and Alcohol". Dr. Katie Bertram, physician & NRP parent, VSB Substance Abuse Prevention Rep, will join to share her expertise.

Parent Reading Group – Julie W.

May 25: final parent reading group meets 9-10am in the Learning Commons to talk about Children's Fantasy Books and Recent Film Adaptations.

Staff Report – Rosa and Karen

COPA: Celebration of Performing Arts, Wednesday, May 16 in both the small and big gyms

Primary and middle school choirs, beginning and advanced bands, 2 hip hop groups, and a virtuoso stage!

June 1: Car Free Day

May 28 – June 1: Bike to Work / Walk & Roll Week

Celebration of Learning event coming up for the communities

Grade 8s are visiting U-Hill Secondary on June 1.

Incoming grade 5s from U-Hill Elementary are visiting NRP on June 4.

Sports Day: June 8 for middle school, June 22 for K-5. Details to follow.

Grade 7/8 Leaving Ceremony: June 25

Grade 6 Pacific Spirit goes to Camp Summit, June 13-15.

Projections for the 2018/19 school year

NRP will have five grade 6 classes (up by 1, as we currently have four grade 6 classes)

The lower music and counseling rooms will be used to accommodate the increased student numbers.

K-5 side is stable in terms of enrolment.

Teacher job postings will be posted in June.

New Business

Lost and Found

Nadezhda G. has been looking after the Lost and Found at NRP. The clothing racks are unstable and need a fix or replacement.

The Lost and Found is not a donation bin so discourage inappropriate clothing discards there.

Ad hoc motion passed to have Lost and Found Committee, including Nadezhda G. and Beth K., to meet regularly and set up best protocol for organizing Lost & Found

U-Hill Secondary PAC is looking for NRP Grade 8 parents to join their PAC.

The PAC Executive has agreed to purchase a copy of the documentary, All Our Father's Relations – documentary about a mixed Chinese / Musqueam family, an interesting way to look at the history of the land on which NRP is situated on.

PAC discussed opportunities to show the film to grades 5-8, possibly with speakers

Meeting adjourned: 7:44pm

Next PAC meeting: Tuesday, June 19 10, 6:30 – 7:30pm. All are welcome, babysitting will be provided.