# Deep Cove PAC General Meeting

## Wednesday, November 18th 2015 7 pm

**Present:**

Deb Rogers - Co-PAC President

Julie Lobb - Co-PAC President

Mikiala Christie - Co - Parent Education Committee Coordinator

Mary Mackay - Secretary

Rebekah Hunter - Spirit Committee Coordinator

Bridget Anderson - Christmas Fair Coordinator

Carly Scholze - Communications Coordinator

Steve MacGregor - Vice-Principal

Grant Franceschini - Principal

Parent reps; Brandy, Kara, Shelley, Tess, Stacey

**Absent:**

Colette Hopkins - Volunteer Coordinator

Melissa Drolet - COPACS

Amy Houle - CPF

Kim Bull-Chambers - Co-Parent Education Coordinator

Jazz Harding - Treasurer

**1. Call to Order** - 7:00

**2. Additions to Agenda**

- Movie night - will discuss under Upcoming events; A.N.A.F. Donation to school under new business

## 3. Approval of minutes from previous meeting

Bridget approved, seconded by Carly

## 4. Reports:

Administration : Grant

**Administrators' Report for November 18, 2015 PAC Meeting**

**Bouquets...**
to the Haunted House Helpers! An amazing job! (side note was discussed about letting the school community know what time the event will be held so that families with siblings and any others who wish to attend will be able to do so; all feedback about changing time from at end of costume parade to a separate time has been positive otherwise)
for all of the thoughtful deliberations with Special Funding Requests and for the very impressive level of funding!
Lisa Tonken and the parent and student volunteers who made the French Book Fair so successful!
Jazz Harding and her team, for coordinating the Toast Club!
Susan Adams, for coordinating the school clothing...the new items look great and the students wear them proudly!
The Sidney Army, Navy and Air Force, for a $2000 donation for a "hardship fund" and to support field trips!

**Team and Community Building session for Grade 4 and 5 students at PISE:** Divisions 1-5 were bussed there, toured the facility and played a variety of games that focused on physical literacy and team building. Building connections across classes, grades and programs!

We submitted a proposal to the Superintendent requesting permission to install **WiFi** at our school and have received permission to proceed with our plans for limited use of WiFi, to help support our efforts to meet our students' diverse needs as effectively as possible. Details as explained on the school website (see reverse.)

**Halloween** was a lot of fun and went extremely smoothly!

Impressed by the staff and their efforts to have the **children engaged in rich learning opportunities** and their **commitment to help all children to be successful** - academically and in terms of their social/emotional development.

**Mindfulness sessions** are going well. Pleased with initial work on **Mathletics.**

**Report Cards:** out any time between now and December 11th.

**Extra Curricular: Soccer** and **Swimming** underway. Thank you to Mme Irwin and Mr. MacGregor (soccer) and to Ms. McIntyre, Mme Johanne, and Mrs. Kerr (swimming)!

Things are moving along with preparation for the **Christmas Concert**.

Staff have expressed their commitment to supporting the **Christmas Fair** and really appreciate all of the PAC's efforts.

**Jingle Bell Run** on December 9th.

Process for developing a **new Code of Conduct** with the students.

**New rolling cover for the window in the gym kitchen**! **Criminal Record Checks will be needed for the volunteers in the Toast Club** (to comply with District protocols.)

**COPACS:** (Melissa absent)

- Deb read an email notation from Melissa: Membership to BCCPAC is due - for long time Deep Cove wasn't a member and didn't have a vote. Deb made motion to spend the money to become a member again so we have a vote; Mikiala seconded; all in favour

- Budget for bringing in speakers, Melissa is interested in feedback from parents on what they'd like to hear/see. Would like parents to send information to Melissa or general PAC email or Mikiala the parent Ed rep.

- Dec 3rd is the next meeting

**Christmas Fair**: (Bridget)

- 2 1/2 weeks away; raffle tickets should be out tomorrow to pick up, Silent Auction items have been slow to come in; sign-up sheets are up and many teachers have volunteered too which is wonderful; Amy has about 12 Grade 10 volunteers to help too. Many donations for emporium, books etc have been coming in.

Deb - could gr. 7/8 boys do something like Primary Games, Bridget - if an adult could be in the room too then that would work; Parklands/Stelly's students will come and help too.

- Baskets - another email will be coming out to detail that. Mikiala - assumed the $ was collected by the teacher and the rep would do it. Bridget - that was the idea at first but then idea was to combine classes to do it together - so now all the money is into a big pot and have a group of volunteers to do the shopping etc. Mikiala has already started her class baskets and Bridget says that is fine.

- Has a coordinator for every venue!!! Fantastic!!!

- Silent Auction items - have about 30 items - goal is 100.

**CPF:** (Amy absent as at the CPF meeting)

- Deb read out email from Amy - Bonne Nuit - reading night - many families have RSVP'd for Nov 25th. Waiting on readers from Bayside.

- Has had emails about plays, activities etc that they are promoting and she has forwarded them to the schools F.I. rep to see if there is interest

**5. New Business:**

- Donation - $2000 donated from Sidney Squadron of Army Navy Airforce - unexpected and very welcome. Deb will send a thank you from the PAC to the ANAF group for our appreciation. Not quite clear on how to deposit the funds to be sure they are used for their intended use. Was to go for a "hardship" fund for students that couldn't afford trips or items.

Grant - after talking to the Grandma of student here who is the one who helped to get the donation giong, she liked the idea of the hardship for some of the money. Had talked about $500 for Hardship, $1500 for field trips.

Deb - for efficiency; is it best to put money into PAC funds and earmark it as such or better for money to go to the District? (Grant - could go into our own school account at the board office) Julie - maybe cheque could go to the PAC and then we write a cheque to admin for the hardship funds so that when it is used then confidentiality will be ensured. Grant will coordinator with Monica in office and discuss with Deb/Julie to be sure money is put in the best place for ease of use and ensure privacy for those that need to access it.

**6. Upcoming Events:**

- Christmas Fair - Dec 4

- Christmas Concert - Dec 16

Tess Town - times for concert not confirmed but will run an afternoon and evening concert on the same day. Chose parts today which was tricky as so many keen children and have found other ways for them to be involved. All seemed to go well.

If any class reps would like to get more volunteers and any other parents that would like to help then they are more than welcome.

**Movie night** - Rebekah (Spirit Committee) have to pay now to show a movie that is out of school hours. Grant will pay the fee so that the school can have movie nights throughout the year. Rebekah - thought about having the Grinch movie . Have to check for community use to see what nights are open. Grant will check on dates and let Rebekah know - will try for the 11th.

**Questions:**

- none

**7. Next Meeting**

January 20th at 7 p.m.

**8. Adjournment** - 7:55.