Minutes
Deep Cove PAC
General Meeting
November 15, 2017

Present:

Co-President: Lisa Tonken
Treasurer: Shelley McCliggott
Secretary: Heather Kopčok
Christmas Fair Coordinator: Kara Westgate
Spirit Committee Coordinator: Elissa Kember
Communications Coordinator: Brandi Hunter

Parents: Nicole DeGreef, Jody Kary

Administration Present:

Principal: Steve MacGregor
Vice Principal: Nicole McCron

Absent:

Co-President: Lisa Makar
Volunteer Coordinator: Anne Gardam
Parent Education: Mikiala Christie
COPACS: Melissa Drolet
Canadian Parents for French: Marc Laperriere

Meeting

1. Introduction

- Call to order 7:04 pm. Co-President Lisa Tonken chaired the meeting.
- Additions to the agenda: Changing PAC meeting start times to 6:30pm.
- Shelley McCliggott approved the minutes of the last meeting and Elissa Kember seconded them.

2. Discussion Topics

- Christmas Fair Update: Jody Kay is the Silent Auction Coordinator. She reported we have many great donations such a signed jersey from Matt Irwin, the Principal's parking spot and Westjet tickets. Her feeling is that things are going well. Kara suggested we need better marketing for the 50/50 draw and parking spot. Perhaps having both static and roaming ticket sellers would increase sales. Sign Up Genius is up and running now. It will come down on November 24 and hard copies for signing up will be posted in the hallway.

- Volunteer positions: There was concern the Mme. Launer was still in need of class rep. Heather recalled that a parent had stepped up at the last meeting to take on that role. There was a need for that to be followed up on and confirmed.

-Communications: Ideas to drive more parent awareness. Many suggestions such as: combining/pooling resources with other schools, which could allow for bigger and better presenters and hopefully a wider audience of parents. Parent education funds could be used for math or curriculum support at home. Lisa Tonken read a note emailed to her from Anne Gardam. Anne spoke about her experience while attending the 1100 meeting. She said it was great

information and touched on points that would interest parents such as: What happens on non- instructional days? Why has new curriculum been introduced? How can parents engage and be more engaged with their child's learning? Steve mentioned how many parents go to the school webpage and there is additional media with Twitter on the side bar of that webpage. Social media seems to be working and continue to be a great way to get information out there.

-Changing PAC meeting start times to 6:30pm: Lisa Tonken motioned to change monthly PAC meeting start times to 6:30pm, Elissa Kember seconded and everyone present was in agreement.

3. Reports

-President's Report: Nothing to report.

-COPACS Report: Nothing to report

-CPF Report: Nothing to report

-Administration Reports: From Principal Steve MacGregor: Thanks to Lisa Tonken and her team for the great book fair. It exceeded our previous sales and makes a big difference to our library.

Thank you to Heather Kopčok and team for the wonderful Haunted Pirate Ship. It was the perfect balance of age-appropriate spooky.

Thanks to Mme. Lee, M. Makuch, Mme. Hauer, Ms. Von Shuckman, Mr. Lurie, Mme. McIntyre, Ms. Loeb and Mme. McCron who all had a hand in organizing and preparing the kids for a very nice Remembrance Day Assembly. It was very well attended and we received lots of positive feedback.

Kristine Marshall stared in the secretary position this week. She has experience working in schools previously and has really hit the ground running with some support from Judy Tsukijima.

Staff is carefully creating a plan to use the Student Learning Grant funds to acquire tools to help our students access the new curriculum in the most engaging and dynamic way possible. Part of this plan will include the purchase of Chromebooks, iPads, and other tools to engage with the Applied Design Skills and Technology curriculum. We have been well positioned with regard to technology for many years but have recently fallen behind. This is an excellent opportunity to thoughtfully take advantage of the expertise in our building and acquire resources to aid in the 21st century learning.

We are looking forward to December bringing the Christmas Fair on the 1st, the grade 4& 5 soccer jamboree on the 7th (at Panorama Rec), term 1 reports heading home on the 8th and the winter assembly on the 22nd (the last day before break).

4. Adjournment and dates of note:

Meeting was adjourned at 7:29 pm

Next PAC meeting Thursday, December 14, 2017 location TBA.

Prepared by:
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