

ÉCOLE COBBLE HILL

PAC MEETING JAN '24

24 JANUARY 2024 / 6:30PM / DRAFT MINUTES

ATTENDEES Sylvia Cox, Kimberly Audy, Kathryn Wong, Tania Smith, Erin Fikowski, Tammy Chester, Christine Oglend, Jess Adelman, Katelyn Luscombe, Lindsay Stewart, Heather Theofanous, Kelly Rawson, Ian Zibin

Call to Order: 6:38 pm

Adopt Agenda: Katelyn, Christine

Review & Approve minutes from November 2023: Heather, Lindsay

TEAM LEADER REPORTS

Chairperson: Kathryn Wong

- First post-Covid Silent Auction & Raffle baskets went really well!
- Thank you to admin and staff for extra work involved in making the Winter Concert
- Thanks to Christine and Miranda for Food & clothing Drive
- AED has arrived, waiting on install but staff are trained
- Grade 7 Parent Committee has formed
- Facebook group admin needed! Our facebook parent group is not intended to be a PAC page, so any parents who do not hold a PAC exec position would be greatly appreciated to join the current admins.
 - Kelly Rawson agrees to be added as an admin.
- Kathryn & Sylvia have been chatting with Ian to consider additional playground pieces that could be added to the upper level playground area, discussion later in agenda.
- Due to the timing of Easter falling very soon after Spring Break, we will not be running a Purdys order for Easter this year.

Treasurer: Kimberly Audy

MONEY IN

- Silent Auction raised \$1335.23
- Raffle Baskets raised \$3127.93
- Spirit Wear sales \$647 (not necessarily profit)
- Hot Lunch for Winter session approximately \$5000 profit
- CO-OP gas rebate \$1247.22
- Refundable empties collected from the Encorp bins \$103.10 (thank you Grant!)
- Mabel's Labels \$57.59

MONEY OUT

- Grad hoodies \$756 paid by PAC, school covered other half
- AED cost \$2456.16

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Hot Lunch: Heather Theofanous

Ordering for the Winter session is closed, lots of scheduling conflicts this session so lunches are not always the usual 2 weeks apart.

Q: conflict re rescheduled swimming field trip on Jan 31, kids away for lunchtime.

A: Sushi & Subway WILL arrive by 10:30am for kids to eat before they go swimming.

Grade 7: Sylvia Cox

- 10 grade 7 parents have formed Grade 7 Parent Committee
- Class of 24 hoodies are already done and kids are wearing them constantly!
- Fundraising for Strathcona trip cost reduction (2 fundraisers)
 - Hot Dog Day - Heather & Sylvia leading - Country Grocer DONATED most of the product we need, kids set to work in 2 groups
 - Bottle Drive in Country Grocer parking lot Saturday Feb 3. Opportunity to draw on greater community as well as our own. Thanks to Bonnie Cuthbertson for setting it up. ECH families can drop off refundables at ECH on Friday, parents with trucks will take them to CG Saturday. Can also have a table at the door with baked goods and hot chocolate by donation. Need more grade 7 parents to sign up to be there.
- Sarah & Giesu will lead the yearbook & slide show compilation; they will begin asking parents for photo entries soon.

DPAC: Lindsay Stewart

- SD79 is rolling out the School Messenger system, moving quickly. This is part of the Safe Arrival program revamp, a combination of email, voice and texting to reach our school communities. System exists in other districts. Roll-out will come in 3 stages: district level in Feb, schools in March, and likely the classroom level in April depending how effective it proves.
- School Messenger is separate from Ride 360, although under the same umbrella. Ride 360 may start to look different as updates occur.
- Robyn Gray and team preparing the next 3 year school calendar.
- Jeff Rowan, Director of Education Learning leading Consent Education for grades 5-8 & 9-12 over zoom. Topics covered at an age appropriate level are what defines consent, gender based violence, video game culture, cyber bullying. Learn more at saferschoolstogether.com
- Divs 1-5 at ECH are seeing this program.
- A large group of schools in sd79 are getting kitchen upgrades to improve meal program delivery to students.

ADMINISTRATION

Principal: Ian Zibin

- Our school has registered for the Victoria Times Colonist 10K race. If you go to: [TC10K Registration](#): Search under view teams, type 'Ecole Cobble Hill' and click join to register. Practices will take place on Tuesdays after school. More information regarding practice/training and race day (April 28th) will go home to Grades 4—7 students. Thank you Erin Fikowski for coaching and supporting training sessions.
- Three of your students have won first place at the Zone level for their entries in the Remembrance Day Poster and Literary Competition: Félicitations!

Finley McMillan	Junior	Black & White Poster
Arlen Blades	Junior	Black & White Poster
Ainsley McPherson	Junior	Colour Poster
- Kindergarten Registration has been completed and we have 48 students registered and have a small waitlist.

- The two displaced classes due to the fire suppression malfunction will return to their classrooms on Monday.
- We have several clubs running at the school during the week to support the primary grades. Please reference the Weekly Update for clubs each week.
- Carnival planning has begun. We are hosting Carnival Events at the school the week of February 5th – 9th. Stay tuned for a list of events and the whole school potluck.
- We have a dance on Thursday, February 8th from 3:30 – 5:00 pm for Grades 5 – 7 in our gym.
- Student Learning Updates are scheduled to go home to families the week of January 29th. These updates will go home throughout the week but expect to receive your child's Learning Update by Friday, February 2nd.
- Our PAC has purchased an AED (automated external defibrillator) for the school. It will be installed in the main corridor opposite the office.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Playground additions

- Discussion around the possibility of adding some additional playground pieces to our upper level playground area. Kathryn & Sylvia will be meeting further with Ian and a rep from Habitat playgrounds to see what options we might have within our budget. In the meantime, we invite any suggestions of fixtures (spiny cups, stumps, wave walker, monkey bars, etc) that your kids might enjoy!
- A set of steps up to the playground area would be considered a capital upgrade by the school board, Ian already put in this request to sd79 earlier this school year.

Next meeting: February 28 8:35 AM

Adjourned at 7:45 PM