**Quilchena Elementary PAC Meeting Minutes**

**ZOOM Meeting - Wednesday, February 24, 2021**

In attendance: Ivan (Chair), Jen (Vice-Chair), Susan (Secretary), Lily (Treasurer), Kirsten Wallace (Principal), Alia, Allen’s mom, Crystal, Kathryn, Lana, Laura, Sonia, Vanessa

1. **Welcome & Introductions**

* Meeting called to order at 7:03 p.m.

1. **Land Acknowledgement**

# *We acknowledge and thank the First Peoples of the hən̓q̓əmin̓əm̓ language group on whose traditional and unceded territories we teach, learn and live.*

1. **Adoption of the Minutes/Agenda –** Vanessa, Lily. Approved.

* Edited minutes under Principal’s Report: cost to lease iPads is $2500/year for 3 years

1. **Old Business**

* Hot Lunch Days – update from Lana. Need to look into hotlunches.net as possibility for taking online orders. Staff would be on board if we can limit adult interaction at school – i.e. parent helpers are organizing food when staff are in classrooms. Lana will follow-up with Jane to see if there are vendors who are able to package lunches individually and look into hotlunches.net to find out cost for taking orders online.

1. **Treasurer’s Report** – Lily

See attachment.

1. **New Business**

* Fundraising Idea – Pizza Blitz - Lana asked Pizza Factory – they want orders to come in only on Mondays and Tuesdays – this is limiting for families. Will check with Round Table.

1. **Principal’s Report** – Kirsten Wallace

* 172 students: 150 at school, 22 Transitional Learners
* TL extended until March 26th; Board meeting in March to decide if it will be extended past this date
* 1 International student arrived, no update on others
* Heather Lawson is the Trustee assigned to our school
* Ms. Zhang – music teacher for 3rd term K-7 in the gym, PE will be outside
* Heath and Safety update on Feb. 4th – adults must have masks on all the time indoors except at work station/area; this is being done already, so not much change for us
* Wings, Wash, Wait – daily announcements
* DARE – Virtual – Lesson 7 this week
* Foundation Skills Assessment (FSA) – Feb. 12 – March 10 - in progress
* Middle Years Development Instrument (MDI) – survey developed by UBC for Grade 5s – March 5 – in progress
* Learning Survey from Ministry of Education – in TWA
* Hugh Boyd – Grade 7 Transition meeting – one counsellor for all Grade 8s: Mr. Lee – great meeting
* PINK Day on Feb. 24th – Be a Kindness Superhero theme – outside parade, costumes, exchanging letters/cards, chalk drawings outside classrooms
* Saleema Noon – booked April 27 parent night April 30 for students
* Ultimate confirmed April 20 – 23
* Events for next term:
  + Talent Show? Thinking about it…
  + Sports Day – yes, not sure how yet
  + Gr. 7 celebration – yes, not sure how yet
  + Recognition Celebration – yes
* District Lease Option for Technology – majority of staff wish for 15-30 iPads on a lease. 15 iPads is a $2500 commitment each year for 3 years. School will contribute $2500 to iPads and $3000 for 2 wall-mounted projectors.
* Would like to slowly replace 9 whiteboard tables. School is purchasing two at a cost of approx. $1200 – need to add taxes, shipping. Wondering if PAC will help to purchase more tables.
* **MOTION**: Susan made a motion to spend up to $1500 on 2 white board tables out of the Operating Account. Seconded by Jen. **Approved**.
* Inquiring about adding picnic tables and another Outdoor Learning space near backstop

1. **Committee Reports & Correspondence**

Playground – Brent & Pawan – not present to report

Fundraising – Lana

* Gift card fundraiser coming in April

Food for Kids – Katharina – not present to report. Not much need at this time. District program is also providing lunches to schools as well as backpacks with groceries, but not many requests for these. Let Kirsten know if you know of families that might benefit from these.

RDPA – Brad, Alia & Crystal

* TL learning was topic, not much to update.

1. **Announcements/Reminders**

* PAC Meeting Dates for 2021 at 7:00 pm: April 21, May 19, June 16
* Bookmark our PAC website: <http://quilchena.sd38.bc.ca/parents/parent-advisory-council> to get updates and info. The PAC is also on Facebook! Search for “Quilchena Parent Advisory Council” and “like” our page to get updates on your newsfeed.