

# PAC Meeting Minutes

## January 12, 2015

Meeting called to order @ 7:07 pm.

13 Members in attendance, including Mr. Thompson.

Motion to adopt last minutes: Michelle Osing; Second: Michelle Miller.

Donna Marzolf requested a meeting with the PAC community. As a result, the PAC meeting Agenda was modified. As well, Mr. Thompson asked for special consideration in order to present information on changes to the next report card period. DPAC, Emergency Prep, Walk to School reports were deferred. Fundraising was moved to the end of the Agenda.

### **Donna Marzolf (Marina Gardens Development)**

- Working with Corporation of Delta to receive approval for fourth reading of construction details in approval process will be early 2015.
- Captains Cove Marina owns the land. Polygon Homes is a builder on the land.
- Hoping to start construction on site in February 2015.
- Construction will start soon on Admiral Way which is the new road on the plan and expected to take 3-4 months. Dyke and pathway will need to be updated during construction and will be updated in phases over the years of construction. During construction, plan is to try and route traffic down Ferry Road.
- Scope is similar to the final plan that went to council in July 2013
- 7-10 year timeline to build out the town homes
- As the new homes are occupied, and the school capacity is reached, the school board has advised Marina Gardens that the school boundaries for Neilson Grove may need to be considered more in regard to registration.
- There will be a temporary playground put in within three years and a permanent playground built within approximately five years.
- Donna is open to discussing traffic issues and will work towards fixing any issues that may arise.

### **Chairperson's Report (Corrine Sepke)**

- Nothing new to report

### **Treasurer's Report (Deborah Stewart)**

- Some confusion as to the deposits received and who/what it is from/for - particularly from the Market Night/Vendor Tables/Playground Fundraising Scratch Tickets. **When doing a deposit, please make sure to write what it's for and who the cheque is from (write the name on the cheque with amount) on the back of the deposit form.**
- Some reconciliation as to missing and/or unknown deposit amounts will be undertaken after the PAC meeting **(Reconciliation completed. All deposit amounts crossed checked against 2<sup>nd</sup> deposit book which is kept at school. Matching deposit form was located. Initial Market Night deposit made December 1, 2014).**
- Total earnings for playground is approximately \$7,389 from all sources so far.

### **DPAC (Shawna Wang - absent / Lindsay McCool - absent)**

- Nothing to report

### **Lunch Program (Michelle Osing / Terynn Papadapolous / Danielle Palivos)**

- They are meeting after the PAC meeting this evening to organize the upcoming hot lunch/snack orders with sales expected to open in February.

### **Milk Program (Heather - absent)**

- Danielle will be talking to Thrifty's to confirm the cost of milk to us and therefore the sale price of milk for upcoming term. Danielle will discuss cost with Heather to ensure consistency.

### **Principal Report (Bob Thompson) & Teacher Report (Mrs. Monk)**

- Upcoming cultural performance - Ann Glover - will happen next week
- The entire school will be participating in the gymnastics program starting February 6.
- Mrs Gelech has returned to Neilson Grove this January and is currently job sharing with Mrs. Hawthorne.
- Playground: The school district met with Habitat to discuss the playground design and it has been determined that the location of the underground pipes will likely conflict with some of the equipment footings. A new design is currently being worked on and will hopefully contain the same equipment.
- The Governor of one of the South Korean provinces will be visiting the school on Thursday as per a request received through International Programs
- The district has lately been working on the infrastructure in the building to improve wireless access.
- Google Apps for Education: Neilson Grove is piloting this project. Until now schools in BC haven't been able to use Google for storage due to privacy concerns. However, this is currently in use in Alberta and Ontario and the BC Privacy Commissioner has said Google can now be used in our District. This app is an app for school use only and will allow affordable technology such as Chrome books (a reduced cost / streamlined laptop) within the school.
- Reporting Pilot Project: Five divisions, including all of the intermediate grades will be participating. Instead of the usual student led conferences, a three-way 30-minute conference between the student, teacher and parent will occur, following a new template that will guide the conference and once complete will stand in place as the term two report card. While there is no long term commitment to this form of reporting, it is expected that as the government changes the school curriculum, reporting will change as well. Feedback from Corrine is that her daughter has greatly appreciated receiving subjective feedback with the new form of reporting over the old letter grade format. This type of reporting is expected to improve student confidence and understanding of their learning process and will hopefully give parents a clearer picture as to how the student is learning.

### **Fundraising**

- A smaller group will meet again prior to the next PAC meeting to discuss the Spring Fair.

**Meeting adjourned @ 8:24pm**