## **December BHE PAC Meeting Minutes**

# December 19, 2023

- 1) Meeting called to order by Mikaela Dunn at 6:05pm
- 2) Attendees: Mikaela Dunn, Anita Kohut, Danielle Ferguson, Monica Farrar-Germaine
- 3) Agenda approved by all attendees
- 4) Principal's Report
  - a) Pancake Breakfast was a success
  - b) BHE is on the list for new playground equipment, no date as of yet
    - i) BHE PAC encouraged not to purchase wooden equipment at this time due to upkeep costs
  - c) Mrs Voros is retiring, last day is December 22nd
  - d) New Vice Principal will be Ms French, starting in the new year
- 5) Treasurer's Report
  - a) General Account: \$19,178
  - b) Gaming Account: \$14,544.23
  - c) School clothing funds, Purdy's and Growing Smiles fundraisers are paid up and funds have been deposited
- 6) Hot Lunch Report
  - a) Dec 22 is the last fall lunch day for the fall menu
    - i) Apple slices were unavailable, cantaloupe substituted: parents contacted regarding this issue
  - b) Winter menu runs from January 12 to March 15 and is currently online and available for ordering
    - i) Cut off for first week of winter menu is January 4, 2024
  - c) Only one menu can be shown on the website at a time
- 7) COPAC Report
  - a) See Addendum 1
- 8) Current Business
  - a) Fun Fridays
    - i) Friday Chip Sales going well, averaging approximately \$70/week profit
    - ii) Other ideas for "Fun Friday's": candy bag or cookies (at a lesser frequency than chips, perhaps once a month)
  - b) Playground Equipment
    - District is not currently installing equipment purchased by schools/PACs
    - ii) Attendees in agreement on opening savings account for future equipment purchases
    - iii) Priority playground equipment: additional swing set including accessible bucket seat; accessible playground equipment
  - c) Replacement for projector to be discussed with new Vice Principal in the New Year
  - d) Pancake Breakfast
    - i) Was successful and ran smoothly

ii) Parent volunteers must have criminal record check to volunteer in student facing positions during school hours

#### 9) New Business

- a) Artara Photos as potential new company for student photos
  - Decision to be made pending information about pricing, Mikaela Dunn to follow up
- b) Monthly Newsletter
  - Attendees in agreement on proceeding with a monthly newsletter sent via email, to be prepared by Danielle Ferguson
  - ii) Quarterly newsletter to be printed out and sent home (September, January, April)
- c) Pink Shirt Day February 28th
  - i) Potential for purchases to be made via school cash online, Mikaela Dunn to follow up on inquiry
  - ii) Potential for this to be a fundraiser every other year as opposed to every year
  - iii) Staples offers pink shirts at \$10.50-\$12 depending on quantity ordered
  - iv) Whether shirts will be sold through school this year is still TBD

### 10) Fundraisers

- a) Fundraising Schedule to be printed out and sent home with students
- b) Growing Smiles fundraiser profit: \$574.20 (down slightly from last year)
- c) Purdy's fundraiser profit: \$828.32 (up slightly from last year)
- d) Both positive fundraisers to be continued going forward
- e) New fundraisers for 2024
  - i) South Street Burger
    - (1) Timing for before Family Day or before Spring Break
    - (2) 60% of sales go to PAC
    - (3) Purchase of \$20 Card entitles purchasing family's to one free hot dog per month for 12 months
  - ii) Family Photos by HT Photography
    - (1) Timing for week of April 8th-12th
    - (2) Danielle Ferguson to follow up on gym availability
    - (3) Cost of session is \$25 per family and includes 1 8x10 print
    - (4) Session cost goes entirely towards PAC/School
    - (5) Funds from any additional orders go to company
    - (6) Minimum 15 families per date, maximum 18 families
    - (7) Grey background is default with other backgrounds available at cost of \$100
    - (8) 2 dates would be ideal for first year with potential to expand to 3 dates if sufficient interest
    - (9) Print out to be sent home regarding this fundraiser before Spring Break
  - iii) Card Project

- (1) Art kits sent to classroom for students to create own art for cards, mugs, tote bags, etc
- (2) Potential fundraiser before Mother's Day (and Father's Day)
- (3) TBD pending response from staff at next staff meeting
- 11) Meeting Adjourned at 7:38pm
- 12) Next meeting to be held January 16, 2024 at 6pm

Minutes taken by: Monica Farrar-Germaine Approved by: Mikaela Dunn

#### [Addendum 1]

### COPAC Notes - Dec 4 Meeting

- Guest Speaker: SD23 Director of Instruction for Feeding Futures, Rhonda Ovelson
  - o 1,000 students needing and receiving meals at breakfast and lunch
  - 300+ students on the backpack program
  - School Cash online called "Feeding Families". If you would like to, Donations can be made at https://centralokanagan.schoolcashonline.com/
- Trustee Julia Fraser joined us as the **Board representative** 
  - SD23 received \$7.5 million for a new modular addition to North Glenmore elementary adding 120 student seats (Sept 2024).
  - o free up an estimated 5 portables
- **Superintendent Kaardal** encouraged everyone to get out and enjoy the many holiday concerts and winter markets across the district this month!
- Bylaws Meetup January 30
- **Digital Literacy** COPAC is working with the SD23 learning technology department to explore a FREE district-wide parent education opportunity
  - COPAC is also exploring bringing a professional speaker to discuss online and social networking safety
- PAC Funded Enhancements (request for input) To better understand the gap between PAC funded or projects under consideration and SD23's ability to complete these projects, we request that PACs complete the following survey: <u>Survey of PAC Funded Projects https://forms.office.com/r/a0TypCMpmU</u>
- Accessibility Input The district has an open opportunity for input on accessibility: <a href="https://www.sd23.bc.ca/DistrictInfo/Accessibility/Pages/default.aspx#/="more formal survey">https://www.sd23.bc.ca/DistrictInfo/Accessibility/Pages/default.aspx#/=</a> more formal survey expected in near future
- BAA Courses An updated list of Board Authorized Courses has been released.
- **Updated Report Cards** Reminder to share with your School Communities to keep an eye out for feedback/survey opportunity on student reporting
- **PIE Meeting** Reminder to Share: January Partners for Inclusive Education Meeting January 15, 2024 (https://sd23.zoom.us/j/8569391842)
- PACs Helping PACs -Thompson Okanagan/Interior Facebook
  Group https://www.facebook.com/groups/1033632094499660
- ADHD Education Opportunity Parents in your community may be interested in the BC Children's Hospital Provincial ADHD Clinic ADHD Education Day for Parents and Health Professionals on December 11, 2023