

# Baker Drive PAC Meeting

March 8, 2022, 7 pm Zoom Call

## APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Michelle moved, Veronica seconded

## APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES FROM JANUARY 18

Terri moved, Michelle seconded

## PRINCIPAL UPDATE - Jill Reid

- Has been busy two months, with Family Day, Pro D Day and Early Dismissal.
- Thanks to PAC for organising the Valentines Cookies.
- Valentines has shifted from cute to kindness, and it's been a positive shift.
  - The school is going to keep the tradition, started this year, of delivering kindness messages to the neighbourhood during Valentines week.
- Parents and PAC were thanks for observing Pink Shirt Day and making it a success
- The planetarium visit to the school gym was a resounding success
- Global Play Day and Jump Rope for Heart was a great success too.
- Black History Month was a success and the kids all really enjoyed learning about skin tone, and about all our differences and valuing who we all are - as well as the figureheads
- For those asking about the principal newsletter, it will not happen this year, but will resume the next school year
- Covid tests were handed out successfully.
  - Also made teachers realise how they miss everyone being in the community, and they're looking forward to emerging from the pandemic.
- Teachers have asked to bring back rollerblading and outside speakers now that Covid restrictions have relaxed.
- Now Covid restrictions have been relaxed - the Grade 5's are on track to have a traditional grade 5 leaving.
- Teachers have started planning for the next school year - enrolment is up at 212, a nice size to be at. There is a potential for there to be a new division.
  - Welcome to kindergarten will return to in-person.
- District is going to make a significant investment into our library
- Assemblies will be back to in-person in the gym after Spring Break
- Sports day will go ahead
- Directions 2025 - the district's 5 year plan has two main themes: Technology and Global Citizenship/ Social Inclusion.
  - There is also a push to make numeracy as much a focus as literacy.
  - Continuous improvement theme - equitable opportunities, inclusive learning environments.
  - And financial wellbeing - they have sustainable plans for what they need to maintain consistent staffing, the right technology etc

- Parent survey will be sent after spring break - last year had a good response, and is looking to repeat.
- After school programs - the School has been told on March 15 we will have more guidelines
  - Michelle Chan will reach out to Do What You Love that runs after school programs for availability.
  - There's also a theatre group that also might be an option
  - We will need volunteers for after school programs
  - Miss Anna and Charles Best volunteers may be able to offer before school daycare in the gym.
- Playground - time to normalize before and after school - we are now allowed to play before and after school. Looking forward to everyone being back together again.
  - But reminder - you are in charge of your kids, the school isn't responsible for them. They should not be left alone.
- Parking - reminder to not park in the drop and roll zone in front of the school, and to only let kids out on the right side of the road.

### **TREASURER REPORT - Zoe Sanborn**

- Zoe shared her treasurer report for the last two months. Everything is on track and looking good.

### **DPAC - Corrine Hansen**

- January - Met with superintendent, who discussed:
  - Handing out Covid tests h
  - Programs of choice
  - Planning for the budget - how to get more funding for EAs, and helpers, the squeaky wheel gets the help. They listen to the parents.
  - Guest speakers were on Grief and Bereavement - was interesting and gave resources - Corrine will share on PAC website.
- February - Principal for Indigenous Education
  - Discussed the importance of Indigineous learning for parents, sot that parents can support what the kids are learning.
  - No notes yet but will share when we have.
  - Discussed the importance of land acknowledgments during PAC meetings.

### **FUNDRAISING REPORT - Colleen O'Connor**

- Purdys Easter ordering now live. Order before March 29, received by April 13.
- Pub night will be in May. Donations for raffle will be needed.
- Spring flowers ordering will open April 1, closing April 19 - ready for pick up May 3
- Raise the Funds will open April 14 and deliver end of April
- Dominos can no longer do fundraising nights on Friday or Saturday
  - Proposed to now run on a Thursday every 2-3 months (April and June)

### **GRADE 5 - Colleen O'Connor**

- Leaving ceremony is on track with Ms Capel
- Teachers have planned the water slides trip
- Still missing photos for yearbook

- Party has volunteers but still need to make plans
- Will be running the annual Krispy Kreme fundraising again - to help pay for it all.

## **OTHER BUSINESS**

- Community Event
  - PAC is going to host a Community Block Party in lieu of the Spring Carnival
  - Volunteers - Terri Besworth Sarah XX, Kate Blain, Michelle Hung
  - Date proposed - Friday May 27, June 10 / 17 - will confirm next meeting
- Teacher Appreciation Day - April 20
  - Teachers can have lunch together
  - Anna will come in and decorate
  - Budget is \$350
  - Will need parent to help set things up
  - Classroom Doors - Parents are allowed in school to put up the door.
  - Homeroom parents will organise flowers for teachers.

## **ADJOURN**

Motion to adjourn - Corrine, Terri seconded

## **ATTENDEES**

Gill Tempest, Colleen O'Connor, Jill Reid, Andrea Sherman, Amy Banman, Zoe Sanbourn, Corrine Hansen, Daniela Anghelescu, Darlene Johnson, JB Kinoshita, Karen Anderson, Kimberly Tran, Michelle Hunt, Nikki Shekhtman, Peter and Michelle, Pierre and Marianne, Veronica Mounton.

## **Board Members:**

Colleen O'Connor and Amy Banmen, Chair | Zoe Sanborn, Treasurer | Gill Tempest, Secretary | Jill Reid, Principal | Corrine Hansen, DPAC Representative | Terri Besworth, Past Chair