Minutes of PAC Meeting – September 25th, 2017

Meeting Called to Order: 6:30 pm

Introductions

Attendees: Susan Derickson, Chantelle Desrosiers, Wendy Sutherland, Julia Fraser (recorder), Curtis Schreiber (Principal), Melissa Weidlich, Lil Bartel, Lynne Optland.

Minutes from May 2017 meeting approved.

Agenda: Accepted as circulated.

Determination of 2017-18 Executive and Parent Reps are as follows:
President – Chantelle Desrosiers (cnb_pacpresident@sd23.bc.ca)
Vice-President – Wendy Sutherland
Treasurer – Susan Derickson
Recording Secretary – open
Communications Secretary – Lynne Optland
Past President – Susan Derickson
School Store Manager – Lynne Optland
School Store – Nicole Loewen & Karen Guy (cnbstore@gmail.com)
COPAC Rep – open

Principal’s Report: Curtis Schreiber thanked everyone. There are 750 students and class sizes are relatively small. There is a challenge scheduling school without portables but saturated: 2 Dance classes, Maker class, Yearbook Photography. Athletics is off and running with Volleyball, Field Hockey, etc. Last year started Spiral of Inquiry: Social/Emotional Development; Character Strong Program; Teach the Skill of Empathy and Kindness by Modelling it; Connect Classroom; Learning from Social Development; and Behavioral issues – lagging skills. This is a 3 year plan and this is phase 1. Survey from the students found that they “did not want disruption and hopefully move Connect Kids back into the classroom”. Reading and Writing Skills improved last year for these students. Grade 7 Dance was a success. Parent Night Open House had a good turnout. Leadership Students organized and received donations of 1,100 lbs of food and $600 in donations for the Food Bank. Terry Fox Run is next week. Character Strong is next week. FSA is revamped and is earlier in the year. Traffic Issues Update: In Spring 2018, there will be sidewalks, road widened, crosswalk and 2 entrances to alleviate the flow of traffic.

COPAC Report – Susan: There is a COPAC meeting next week at 7 pm held at Hollywood Road. There is a free seminar called the The Gift of Anxiety & Depression Prevention on Thursday, October 5th from 6:30 pm – 8:30 pm at Hollywood Road Education Services Building.
Treasurer's Report: With regards to the Gaming Grant, we need to Co-ordinate to get Teacher submissions for Funding requests. Due date of Mid-October. There is a Template. Last year, we spent $14,000 and had $28,000 in submissions. We have an extra $2,000 from Cobbs Bursary as two students have not picked up their previous busary, therefore, we do not to fund that amount again this year. Organize Teacher Appreciation Lunch. With the Gaming Grant, we can only fund non-curriculum items. We get a lot of requests, so we try to balance out requests — share it around so it end up equal.