

# North Saanich Middle School Parents Advisory Council (PAC) Meeting



## MINUTES

DECEMBER 11, 2012

7:00 P.M.

NSMS SCHOOL LIBRARY

ADMINISTRATION	David Mark, Vice Principal	
PAC EXECUTIVE	Kelly Glover, President	Christine Bennett, Treasurer
	Kerri Tuggle, Secretary	
PARENTS	Sheri Love-Yasue	Carmen W.

Meeting called to order at 7:10 p.m.

### CALL TO ORDER / INTRODUCTIONS / PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES

DISCUSSION
Minutes from the November 13, 2012 meeting were adopted.
<b>M/S/C</b> – Christine Bennett / Kelly Glover

### TREASURER'S REPORT

CHRISTINE BENNETT

DISCUSSION			
<b>Account Balances</b>			
	• General	\$10,605.32	
	• Gaming	\$13,798.67	
<b>Teacher Requests for PAC Funding</b>			
The PAC has received a few funding request forms from teachers which were discussed and voted on.			
Teacher	Requested Item/Purpose	Amount	PAC Decision
Mrs. Timmermans / Mrs. Postlethwaite	<b>Bus Transportation Costs</b> – Funding requested to cover bus transportation costs for a field trip for these two classes to view a performance of Peter Pan at Kaleidoscope theatre on November 30.	<b>\$200.00</b>	<b>M/S/C via email</b> C. Bennett / K. Tuggle
Divs 1,2,3,4 & 8	<b>Field Trip Costs</b> – Field trip for five grade 6/7 divisions (145 kids). Is an opportunity to view a production at historic Fort Rodd Hill: Kaleidoscope Theatre is putting on an adaptation of the novel <i>War of the Eagles</i> by Canadian author, Eric Walters. Canadian themes include First Nations, Japanese interment, WWII.	<b>\$1,792.62</b>	<b>M/S/C via email</b> C. Bennett / K. Glover
Administration	<b>Year End Awards</b> – Trophies, certificates and awards for year end presentations to students.	<b>\$800.00</b>	Approved in PAC budget at beginning of year.
Ms. Robillard	<b>Trumpet Classes</b> – Bring in trumpet instructor to put on workshop for brass players.	<b>\$302.40</b>	<b>M/S/C</b> K. Tuggle / C. Bennett

Mrs. Jones	<b>First Nations Art Performance</b> – art performance for the whole school featuring Aboriginal performers, writers and authentic artifacts.	<b>\$850.00</b>	<b>M/S/C</b> K. Tuggle / C. Bennett
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## ADMINISTRATION REPORT

DAVID MARK

### DISCUSSION

#### **Bicycle Purchase**

Mr. Mark requested that the PAC put a temporary hold on the purchase of the exercise bike approved at November`s meeting. Mr. Mark and Mr. Russell would like to discuss this purchase further with the teachers and work out some of the logistics of the bicycle use before a purchase is made.

#### **Staff Pre-Consultation**

Mr. Mark addressed that Admin would like to encourage staff to review funding requests with them before presenting these requests to the PAC. This would ensure that all staff are aware of requests for purchases and performances and would hopefully avoid possible scheduling, curriculum and/or school planning conflicts.

#### **Presentation**

The Wave presentation by Mark Hancock was on December 10. Other schools were invited to attend and therefore over 500 students enjoyed this great presentation.

#### **ERASE Bullying**

The school has added a button to the home page of the NSMS website that is an online tool that permits individuals to report bullying. Saanich Schools will continue to encourage students to report any concerns directly to adults within the school community. However, the link to this site may be an important option for some individuals, as it does allow for anonymous reporting. The site will be monitored regularly and reports received will be sent directly to administrators at the school level.

#### **School Website**

The school website has now been updated to show weekly updates with three main bulletins on the main page. In January, we will discuss how to notify parents of the availability of having updates to the school website send an automatic email update to parents so keep them up to date on school events.

#### **Grade 8 Leadership**

The Grade 8 Leadership program is going really well! A new rotation will be starting soon - this rotation will have a couple new offerings for the students such as:

- Cultural diversity – Kitchen Table
- Electronic DJ music opportunity
- Student support in The Zone – Wii Team
- Web page Tech Crew - bulletin updating with Doug Caley

#### **Last Day Before Break Activities**

On the last day of classes before the December break, the school will be having a dance, Candy Cane café, games and movies.

#### **Suspensions and School Tone**

Mr. Mark advised that he and Mr. Russell had a discussion regarding the school tone and acknowledged that it has really been great and they want to keep it going.

#### **Parking Concerns**

It was addressed that parking and picking up students in the bus loop is getting to be a problem. In the New Year, some of these transportation concerns will need to be addressed with parents.

**DISCUSSION**

Sheri has begun calling and emailing some of the names she has collected of families that have previously hosted families for the Global Friendships program. Christine is going to contact Keray Wing and obtain the name of the company that facilitates the exchange program.

**PRESIDENT'S REPORT****KELLY GLOVER****DISCUSSION****Literary Task Group**

Kelly was not able to attend today's Literary Task Group meeting and therefore no update was provided.

**NEW BUSINESS****DISCUSSION****Night Before Late Night Shopping Fundraiser**

Jen was able to update the PAC via email that this fundraiser was successful in raising \$175.

**Fish Fundraiser**

The pickup date for this fundraiser has been changed to December 17.

**Marigold Fundraiser**

This spring flowers fundraiser will be coming in the New Year.

**Spring Fundraiser**

It was discussed that a committee still needs to be formed to help organize the Spring fundraiser. Panorama Recreation has expressed that they would like to be involved in this event as well.

**Meeting adjourned at 8:42 p.m.**

**NEXT MEETING**

Tuesday, January 8, 2013, 7:00 p.m.