# Albion Elementary School PAC Meeting Wednesday, October 25th, 2023 6:30 pm

- 1. Call to order & welcome introductions/attendance
- 2. First Nations Territory Acknowledgement
- 3. Approval of agenda for October 25th meeting
  - i. Moved by- Christina
  - ii. Seconded by- Kerri
  - iii. CARRIED
- 4. Approval of previous minutes from September 20th meeting
  - i. Moved by- Caroline
  - ii. Seconded by- Leslie
  - iii. **CARRIED**
- 5. Reports:
  - a. Principal
    - i. 520 students
    - ii. Cross county a success, volleyball currently under way
    - iii. Albion owns pumpkin patch Friday, delivered thurs 10-11
    - iv. Halloween costume parade tues in gym no parents due to gym capacity
    - v. Remembrance Day assembly Nov 9
    - vi. Nov 13-19 Tim Hortons smile day cookie sale to benefit RMH
    - vii. Fun day fundraising (Mrs Cawker, Mrs Reamsbottom)
      - 1. Meridian meats and Krispy Kreme Donuts
    - viii. Growth plan being put together with the district
      - 1. Goals: Social emotional learning, literacy
      - 2. Presentation coming Nov PAC meeting
    - ix. Illness a challenge without replacements available for EA's and teaching staff
      - 1. Moving staff around to help accommodate for same
  - b. Treasurer
    - i. Gaming grant received \$10600
    - ii. Gaming \$15611
    - iii. Community \$12666
    - iv. Invoices to be paid Pumpkins \$1600
    - v. Revenue Christmas Market \$2030
  - c. DPAC
    - i. Ongoing discussion re staffing shortages and efforts addressing problems
    - ii. Encouragement for student teachers in schools from parents
    - iii. EA info meeting at Ridge Meadows College Nov 1 regarding 10 mos course (Beth to post info on PAC page)
    - iv. HVAC funding greater need in district than available in district, school board approaching province to assist w/ funding
    - v. Tech needs at school funding lacking, broader DPAC initiative to lobby for greater funding -> Tanya/Rob to f/u with Kim and report back to DPAC
    - vi. PAC purchases check w/ Nathan Hart re small capital purchases
    - vii. Advocating to the district re funding for AED and naloxone kits

### d. Committees:

- i. Fundraising
  - Santa Photos running 50% book, share w/ family and friends to have it filled
  - 2. Earthquake kits running online, poor purchase currently due to high prices
  - 3. Purdy's Christmas Start Nov 1, delivery Dec 5
  - 4. Growing Smiles poinsettias Dec 4
  - 5. Abbotsford Canucks

#### ii. Fun Committee

- Upcoming hot lunch days: Oct 27 Boston Pizza, Planning for next 3 mos to approve dates (Nov 17 Cassada, Dec 22 Albion Pizza, Jan 19 Red Robins)
- 2. Events
  - a. For each larger event committees to be formed w/ one exec for documentation and transportation
  - b. Movie Night Oct 27 Hotel Transylvania
  - c. Christmas Market: Nov 4
    - i. Estimated profit \$2110
    - ii. Budget: \$650 cost
      - 1. Moved Charles
      - 2. Second Beth
      - 3. Voted passed \$650
    - iii. Funds to go to general account
      - 1. Moved Beth
      - 2. Second Charles
      - 3. Voted passed
  - d. Dance
    - i. Family Day Feb 9
    - ii. Committee to be form w/ Beth, Christina, Caroline, Nicole
  - e. Carnival
    - i. June 6 2024
    - ii. Committee has been meeting and getting quotes from companies
    - iii. Budget: Kerri to f/u next PAC

#### 6. Old Business

- a. Courtyard
  - i. No further fundraising required, fall clean up and soil in spring
- b. Long jump pit
  - i. Quote \$565 to move pit
  - ii. Tabled until spring
- c. Classroom fees
  - i. \$100/ FTE teacher
  - ii. Max \$3500
  - iii. Moved Shiva
  - iv. Second Caroline
  - v. Voted Passed max \$3500
- d. Budget approval
  - i. Please see budget circulated and on google drive
  - ii. Moved -Christina
  - iii. Second Charles
  - iv. Voted passed
- e. New Playground/new bank account

- i. Committee to be formed to develop budget and research grants
- ii. Caroline, Christina anyone interested to f/u with Beth
- f. Movie License
  - i. Min \$500 (\$0.80/per student)
  - ii. Not financially feasible

### 7. New Business

- a. Bylaw change
  - i. Prev no SD42 employee can be an exec, changed at DPAC level so now allowed
  - ii. Amendments to bylaws to reflect this change
- b. Field trips
  - i. Parents concerned re field trips/ driver availability
  - ii. Transportation to and from
  - iii. Being mindful of cost and accessibility bussing cost is very expensive
  - iv. No funding from district for financial hardship, accessibility is important (prev had family affordability fund but funds have been redirected to food security program)
- c. Christmas concert
  - i. Feedback from parent, why Albion Elementary School does not hold one
  - ii. Family event planned for Dec 9th
  - iii. Concern re time of year and gathering of large groups w/ communicable diseases
  - iv. Many schools not having traditional Christmas Concerts
  - v. Spring Concert planned and talent show
- d. Lunch Subsidy
  - i. For hot lunch school PAC has prev paid for students who were on food subsidy
  - ii. Donations had prev covered the costs, this year donations only covering 1/3 the cost of these lunches for students
  - iii. How to support these kids from a funding perspective ongoing while keeping it as inclusive as possible
  - iv. Options: treat day fundraising, raising prices on meals
  - v. Charles to f/u with Tanya for ideas
- e. Eric Langton freecycle at the Hive 2 x year for clothing, etc
- f. Meridian Meats donated \$300 gift cards from Welcome Back BBQ
- g. BC Lions Tickets 2 tickets donated for next season to be used for fundraising efforts

## 8. Adjourned

Next PAC Meeting TBD (tentative date November 29).