Ecole Įtłò Parent Advisory Council (PAC) Meeting Agenda November 16th, 2022 7 pm - Google Meet and in person

In attendance: Graham, Sarah, Annie, Bronwyn, Carston, Tania, David (for Jason)

#### **Action Items:**

- 1. Graham to send a schedule of when the fire needs to be lit in the wall tent.
- 2. Annie to contact fire lighting volunteers.
- 3. Annie will connect Jasmine and Jocelyn re: plant sale.
- 4. Annie will look for a volunteer to coordinate Treats for Teachers in January.
- 5. Annie and Bronwyn will get in touch to get ski/snowshoe rental going.
- 6. Graham will remind teachers that there is funding available to purchase warm clothing.

### 1. Welcome and approval of agenda

#### 2. PAC Initiatives

- a. Inclusive Safe Schools
- b. Outdoors Committee
  - Stove can be repaired, frame is up and repaired
  - Cord of firewood delivered last week
  - Graham to send a schedule with dates for fire starting for volunteers to be recruited likely within the next week
- c. Plant Sale and Seed Sale
- Seed sale will be January 9-31
- Teachers are interested in a plant sale, Mme Jasmine will be the lead
- Annie will connect Jasmine and Jocelyn
- d. Arts
  - Sarah talked to MakerSpace about fish cut out project they think it could be done with grade 5s (MakerSpace would do the cutting, painting could happen in their space) Contact is Cat McGurk
  - Erin was going to reach out to ENR about fish outlines
- e. Teacher Appreciation

- Parent teacher interviews are November 22-23, meals provided by the school and union
- Annie will reach out to survey respondents to look for a volunteer to coordinate in January

## f. Subway lunches

- Going well
- g. Communications
  - Will post looking for volunteers for ski program, PST interviews, and seed sale

### 4. Principal's Report

- Enrollment at 284
- Two classes have used inclusive books funding for \$100
- \$32,000 in budget
- Staffing Mme Christel going on leave until the end of the school year, M
  Mori resigned effective Dec 21, actively looking for replacements, working
  with board office staff to fill these vacancies, M Stephane on long term
  leave, may be back in January
- Exterior lighting is installed, a few that are not quite working properly, electrical contractors on site this week setting up PA system
- Library books are delivered and are being unpacked, Mme Sylvie has it under control, will be setting up teacher resource room
- Still waiting on permit for breakfast room, inspection has been passed waiting on actual permit (GNWT), could be a hold up on them knowing that the dishwasher has been installed
- Remembrance Day nice to have an in person event
- Rock Your Mocs this week
- Silly Hat day was today concluded Positive Behaviour Interventions and Supports focus on hallway behaviour
- Report cards come out on Monday, November 21
- Parent teacher conferences will be in person or online if requested
- No school on November 25
- Next assembly on December 1 include presentations and performances from up to three classes
- Winter Concert December 15, 7:00 pm for JK-2 families, there will be a concert in the spring for grades 3-5 due to occupancy limits
- Indigenous author visit upcoming in the library

- Winter Break starts December 21
- Art room is functioning and can be booked
- Common spaces in the school (kitchen, art room) can be booked
- Waiting on community access limits (gate)

# 5. Trustee's Report

- Jason Snaggs will be the new trustee for Itlo he is sick tonight
- David filling in
- David is new chair, Terry is vice chair
- First board meeting was last night, four new board members
- Board committees are starting up, this is a four year term
- Approved the annual report from last year required by ECE
- Looking at the operating plan for this year
- Discussed new BC curriculum press release from ECE about rollout
- Superintendents are in meetings this week about new curriculum
- Some aspects of the rollout are optional, ie when to start large scale assessment, rollout will be phased
- Different large scale assessments than Alberta, removal of diploma exams
- Biggest focus is on making sure teachers are trained
- Trustees will be getting training through the BC Trustee Association, Yukon and Northern BC are also involved, opportunity to make connections
- Community and parent engagement is a focus for this board

Question: When are budgets decided for following school year?

Answer: Process begins in January or February. Budgets are determined by the previous year's enrollment. Ratepayers meeting is in April, budget must be submitted to ECE end of May.

Question: When would be the best time to present to the board about additional funding for positions?

Answer: Probably February (usually the second Tuesday of the month). Confirmation a few weeks in advance. Could put a letter in to the finance committee before that.

- School sign will be replaced with one with bigger letters ECE will cover cost, may not be done til the spring
- Some issues with the sidewalk ramping that impact safety

# 6. Topics for discussion

a. PAC Survey

- b. Parent Information Sessions
- c. Ski/snowshoe rental
  - Bronwyn will coordinate!
  - Graham will investigate payment options
- d. Warm clothing program
  - Graham will make teachers aware that there is funding for purchasing warm clothing for families

Question: Is there a new school logo?

Answer: Yes, it is in draft form.

- School will need new jerseys at some point
- Could have a PAC volunteer coordinate ordering t shirts
- 7. Date of next meeting Wednesday, January 11, 7:00 pm.