École Chief Dan George Middle School

SEPTEMBER 23, 2025 (In person in the school library) – Call to Order: 7:03 PM

Welcome and Opening Comments - Chair

The Land Acknowledgement was made by Becky

Introductions were made around the room by all attendees.

Previous Minutes Approval

> *Motion to approve the previous minutes by Michelle, seconded by Lorie .....Carried*

Available for download from our Facebook PAC page.

Principal's Report – Sue Boucher / Suzanne Dallas

- Mrs. Boucher introduced herself and gave background on her career history
- Appreciations made to the community the school has and noted that the year is starting off great and students are settling in.
- Run through of list of events:
    - Terry Fox run is coming up
    - Kudos given to the Grade 8 students for creating the Truth and Reconciliation presentation for the upcoming assembly
    - There will be a fire drill at 10am on October 3. Ms. Dallas spoke to the details of the fire drill and the preparations the staff are taking in preparation to the changes from previous years drills.
    - Mrs. Boucher speaks to "Incident Command" and advises more information will be made aware to the parents as the District formulates the plan.
        - Discussion held on school preparedness
- Halloween Costumes: Things to keep in mind:
    - Culture is not a costume

- Ensure your costumes doesn't make fun of anyone
- No replica weapons
- No full-face masks
- Students should be easily recognizable
- Avoid actions that do not follow CDG Code of Conduct
- If in doubt – don't.

Call for Questions:

- Suggestion: get a second set of cones for the emergency protocols

- Q: Bylaws have been on the back side of the school. The back side of the school is a public road. Mrs. Boucher will be talking to them.

- Q: Is there a way to get a list of all the clubs that will be happening? A: Yes, Ms. Dallas is reaching out to teachers to get a list of what is going on. She will put out a calendar which will be published for review.

- Q: Who does the social media for CDG and the PAC? A: Ms. Dallas does it for the school. PAC is the Executive Team

- Q: Can the PAC page be updated more frequently? A: Anything PAC related gets noted (i.e. Hot Lunch is PAC, but Pizza is the school). The PAC page is for PAC items, the CDG page is for other items and will be shared on the PAC page.
  - Comment of oversaturated and announcements being ignored. It pushes PAC announcements down if posted too much in a day.
  - Noted that Lisa Garrison posts on Monday with a newsletter that is informative
  - The expectation was that there would be more school posts.
  - Ms. Dallas notes that it's been a busy start to the year and that she has been encouraging teachers to send her photos to post (after checking if that student is allowed to have posts).
  - Discussion around current post practices and the amount of time it takes to do posts
  - Parent noted that at another school they created a media team with the students who coordinated with the students

- Q: Is it possible to do a "Kids Connection" post, an example given that could meet at the pool to connect with fellow students. A: Discussion around how that

would be announced. Suggestion made that information be made available to the PAC to post

- Thanks were given to the school for cutting down on the School Supplies list this year.

Treasurer's Report – (Treasurer Position Remains Open)

Michelle provides the Treasurer Report

- General Account balance - $7,931.44
- Gaming Account balance - $6,630.75
- Note: Nothing outstanding

DPAC Update – Becky

- DPAC is similar to ours, but represent all the PACS in Abbotsford
- Becky attends once a month; everyone is welcome to attend
- If there are any questions to be raised at the meeting, Becky as our DPAC rep is happy to do so.
- 7pm at the School Board District is the first meeting for this school year
- Currently not a lot to report
- There was an All Candidates Meeting for the upcoming Bi-Election for the School Trustee. It's available on YouTube if you would like to watch it

Fundraisers Update - (Fundraising Coordinator Position Open)

Laura provides a Fundraisers Update

- Still looking for someone to fill the fundraiser role
- Little Coupon book and TCBY
    - 167 yogurts
    - 40 coupon books
- Most coupon book sales have gone down
- Community Values Coupon Book has been difficult to get – we are on the waitlist with no update until October. Hopefully next year we are higher up on the list
    - Q: How much are the coupon books? A: $15 for the coupon book, PAC makes 50% profit on them

        - Conversation around some of the coupons available that have been popular
- Q: How many coupon books are left? A: 60 Abbotsford, 25 Chilliwack. We've sold 30 Abbotsford, 10 Chilliwack
- $4.50/cup, distributed on October 3 at lunch
- Cobs Bread: Both locations in Abbotsford mention CGD, we get 5% back. We get paid at the end of the year – noted we are still waiting for last year's cheque.

Vacant PAC Positions

- Noted that we have some positions open
- Treasurer: Nominee interested – will chat with the Executive offline
- Fundraiser: Diandre is happy to run a few fundraisers, but doesn't want to commit to a role this year. Will chat with the Exec offline
- Q: Is anyone interested in running Hot Lunches? Q2: What does it require? A: Contact vendors, prepare the prices, upload it to Munch a Lunch, coordinate the orders on the day. Discussion around how Hot Lunch can be a group effort and doesn't have to be just one person.

Upcoming PAC Events

- **Scholastic Bookfair** is Nov. 17-20th with Friday being the clean up day. In the next week or so there will be a volunteer sign-up sheet going up – this is run by parents.
    - Q: Do we get to pick what we get? A: No, it's standard.
- **Staff Appreciation:** Typically, we have done two a year. Potluck breakfast and lunch went over last year which went over well.
    - Q: Anyone interested in helping plan Staff Appreciation? A: Diandre can coordinate one, noted December/Christmas
- **Immunizations:** December 4 for Grade 6. We have parents here helping. Usually 2-3 parents. If anyone like to help we will put a volunteer

Any Other Business

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- Question raised on Pizza Hot Lunches – does it only go to English now since there's no French trip? A: Pizza is the school fundraiser. Recommendation made to reach out to the Admin to get clarity on that question. ACTION: PAC will ask about clarity on the Pizza lunches and where the funds go.
- Q: What happened with the French trip and people trying to push it forward? A: It's not a PAC initiative; there was a meeting after the Welcome BBQ but we are unaware of what was discussed there. The Admin are the ones that have the answers.
    - Discussion around history of fundraising for Grade 8 French Trip

Adjourned 7:54pm PST

Attendance

Minh Ngugen, Deanna Harnett, Amanda Jersey, Diandre Langlais, Amanda Mitchell, Stephanie Ball, Miranda Hamilton, Naomi Baker-Rodriguez, Jennifer Esselink, Stephanie Beacon, Maris S., Sebastian W., Lorie Jensen, Heather Geddere, Jaye Hartman, Kim Prentice, Wai Obert, Rachelle Borries, Bharuttee Deehoo, Lara Sas, Laura Lewis, Michelle Moore, Becky Williams Spruit, Cynthia Benedict