

James Bay Community School

PAC Meeting Minutes

Annual General Meeting, Jun 20 2018

In Attendance: Jeff Mitchell, Carrie Peter, Bruce O'Hara, Stephanie McRobb, Robynn Holma, Richelle Funk, Tracey Hamm, Melissa Haines, Corinne Robinson, Veronika Smelova

1. Welcome & Introductions

2. Approve Agenda & Minutes of May 9, 2018 meeting.

MOTION: to accept the Minutes, Moved by Stephanie, 2nd by Bruce

REPORTS

1. Principal's Report- Last part of June always super busy with year-end field trips. Tomorrow grade 5's spend the day at Camp Thunderbird. Final assembly next Wed Jun 27 @ 11am. Grade 5 Leaving Ceremony is next Thurs Jun 28 @ 1:00pm. This Friday afternoon is our school "Fun Day", complete with bouncy castle. We are trying a different setup this year which requires less structure, but more parent volunteers. Good news with Fall staffing: both Ms. Hayley Keane (gr. K) and Ms. Rhina Chavez (gr.1/2) are returning. We are currently sitting at 10 divisions, with a waitlist of catchment-area kids. 11 divisions still expected, but unsure when.

Aside: The district is installing new 'Tech Packs' in the school libraries. Last year all the classrooms received them, and now our library is in the process of getting an LCD projector which will work with laptops via Apple TV.

2. PAC Chair Report- Can't believe we're here at the end of another successful school year. Thanks so much to everyone on the PAC and everyone who helped out to make our school such a positive place for our kids to be. We want to thank Chandra Boyd for doing such a fabulous job as our "Spirit Wear Coordinator" this year. Her son has now finished grade 5, so this leaves an opening for a new parent who is willing to take on this role next year!

Proposal: Carrie has proposed that we hire the White Hatter company to do a presentation to our grade 4/5's on social media awareness and internet safety. They offer a separate evening presentation for parents as well. (<https://www.thewhitehatter.ca/internet-safety-elementary-school>). She spoke with South Park's PAC Chair, and they are in favour of doing a joint booking with our school for the Fall. Our share of costs would be between \$425 - \$600. Jeff says the school could contribute \$200. **Jeff & Lindsay, and the PAC members present tonight are in**

unanimous favour of bringing this topic to our school, and authorized Carrie to make the booking. Carrie will also talk to a contact at Viatech to see if a local tech/gaming company would be willing to sponsor this for us!

3.Treasurer's Report- We are sitting in great shape to start the new school year. The plan was to spend down some our money this year, but we are ending the year with \$1200 more than we started with! In general it seems good practice to use our annual Gaming grant money, rather than let it sit. The silent auction baskets ended up being so successful, the school bus trips cost less than budgeted, and we received a surprise donation from the Niagara Pipe Project. Bruce's suggestion would be to update these costs on the Fall budget so it's more accurate.

OLD BUSINESS- Crossing Guard: Carrie just got welcome confirmation that GVHA will be happy to continue to fund our crossing guard for the coming year. She spoke with our new contact at GVHA: Lindsay Gaunt, Director of Cruise Development. Big thank you to GVHA for that! A new 'Greater Victoria Crossing Guard Society' is being formed and will assume the hiring & training of guards, which was formerly done by Beacon Community Services.

NEW BUSINESS- ELECTION RESULTS of 2018/19 PAC Executive, all carried unanimously:

- 1. Chair – Carrie Peter to continue**
- 2. Vice Chair – Stephanie McRobb**
- 3. Secretary – Corinne Robinson to continue**
- 4. Treasurer – Richelle Funk, assisted by Stephanie McRobb**
- 5. Members at Large: Melissa Haines, Veronika Smelova, and Robynn Holma**

The PAC thanks and enthusiastically welcomes all our new executive members!

Reminder: Next Thurs Jun 28, 7:00pm at the Bent Mast– All PAC members and other interested parents are encouraged to join us for an end of year get together!

Meeting Adjourned: 7:30pm