

Eugene Reimer Middle School

PAC Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, December 6th, 2023

Attendees: Lorea Horner, Gurpal Bamara (online), Shannon Gaudette, Parampreet Kaur, Raj Sekhon, Lisa Davies, Paramjeet Singh Dhillon, Dean Johnston (P), Rovi Sandhu (VP)

1) Welcome and approval of Agenda.

-Welcome

-Land Acknowledgement

-Approval of Agenda

***Motion:** Approval of Agenda – 1st Parampreet Grewal, 2nd Raj Sekhon

2) Approval of Minutes from November 1, 2023

***Motion:** Approval of minutes – 1st Lisa Green, 2nd Parampreet Grewal

3) Presidents Report

-**BCCPAC** refunding PAC \$75...PAC has received payment

-**School Cash Online donations** – School will need a rough list of potential projects, activities, etc for what the donations may be used for. Donation increments of \$5/10 up to \$75 and a space for more, will be put on form.

-**Teacher Appreciation Lunch** – Gurpal has organized lunch from Mucho Burrito and it will be on December 19th at 11:36. Lunch will be in the Staff Room. Set up for lunch at 11:15... PAC Exec will be there to help out. Gurpal will get drinks from Costco.

- **The Nest** – warmed up pizza now \$1

-**Internet Safety Workshops** – With the rise in online exploitation and bullying in the province, there is a need for students, teachers and parents to have more

information about how they can keep themselves safe when online. Principal Johnstone will look into options for workshops.

-**DPAC Family Smart Nights**, “Help for the Hard Times” workshops, are being offered 4 times each month and are free. Parents can register online at “familysmart.ca/workshops”. There are a number of other great workshops available on the Family Smart Website.

-**BCCPAC** – Review of Summit. All activity, event or workshop notices that are outside of the school, need to be approved by the School Board before being sent out to Parents.

4) Treasurer Report – no new info

5) PVP Report

***INFORMATION ITEMS**

- **Mrs. Moffat** is working on the Yearbook. If you have not filled out a Photo release form on other great, please do so ASAP. This will tell us whether your child can be in the school Yearbook, on social media, etc.

- **Lost and Found** – if your child is missing an item (coat, hoodie, binder, lunch kit, PE strip, etc), please have them check the Lost and Found. If they have misplaced smaller items (ear buds, glasses, keys), they should go to the office.

- **Please speak with your child** about the importance of using the combination on their locker, and not sharing their combination with anyone. The school has record of all the combos in the school if they forget. We are seeing an increase in items going missing from lockers the are left unlocked. Students should use care when bringing valuables to school (large sums of cash, electronics) as the school is not responsible for these items if they are misplaced. These items should be left at home.

- **Students who take the bus**, are being reminded they are not to go into Rick Hansen Secondary while waiting for the bus. They should use the washrooms, get a drink of water, use the phone, etc. at Reimer before heading down to the bus. We dismiss at 2:18, but the first bus does not come until about 2:40 and it is very

disruptive when our students enter Hansen while they are while waiting for the bus.

- **As cooler, wetter weather** is upon us, please ensure students have appropriate cold weather gear (coats, gloves/mitts, hats, boots, etc.) as we will continue to have students to outside for Nut Break (15 minutes) and for Lunch after they eat (30 minutes).

- **Traffic update** – New sign posted out front of school regarding parking/pick up rules, but its still a work in progress.

- **Update on enrollment** – currently over enrollment capacity. New applicants are being sent to other schools that have room.

***NOVEMBER RE-CAP**

- Intramural Dodgeball at lunch – wrapping up with finals.

- **Remembrance Day Service** – students did a fantastic job!

- **Diwali Celebrations** and dance – door decorating, food, lots of kids dressed up and students enjoyed the activities.

- **Grade 6 Immunizations** – Thank you to Lorea and Rupi. Second round will be in May.

- **Grade 7s** finished FSAs

- Movember Moustaches fundraiser was a hit.

***COMING UP IN DECEMBER/JANUARY**

- **Grade 8 Pods L & M** are in a Wiring Workshop sponsored by the Electrical Joint Training Committee.

- **Grade 7 Pod F** Adopt-A-Family hot chocolate fundraiser, December 4-8 before school.

- **Report Cards** going home on December 8th.

- **Term 1** Explorations/Encore Rotation ending December 8th. **Term 2** begins December 11th.

- December 18th -**Winter Concert** 7pm at Abby Arts Centre

- **Staff Appreciation Lunch** – December 19th

- Last week before break – Spirit Week, field trips including movies, bowling and skating – please check **SchoolCashOnline**.

- Last week before **Winter Break** begins Friday, December 22nd. First day back is Monday, January 8th, 2024.

- **Art Starts Presentations** - Grade 6 in February, Grade 7/8 in May

Next DPAC Meeting is January 25, 2024

Our next PAC Meeting is January 10th, 2024

***PAC meeting minutes will be posted in the PAC link on the School's Website.**