

Willows Parent Advisory Executive Committee BCSD61

Meeting Minutes

February 21, 2018

Commencement

7:00 pm

Adjournment

8:52 pm

Executive in Attendance

Cindy Rodier (Chair), Chelsea Wozniak (Secretary), Angela Jackson, (Vice Chair), Kelli Van Leuwen (class rep coordinator), Jenny Reid (Treasurer), Stephanie Novak (CPF), Wendy Holob (Principal), Tim Murphy (VicePrincipal) and 6 parents.

Welcome from the Chair

Kelli Van Leuwen approved the Agenda as written and Chelsea Wozniak seconded, the agenda was adopted as presented.

Kelli Van Leuwen approved the January 17 meeting minutes and Angela Jackson seconded, the minutes were passed as written.

Introduction by Cindy Rodier of Chris Wright from PISE

PISE is not-for-profit charitable organization.

Talk from Chris Wright from PISE on physical literacy (movement) for children.

Many wonderful Summer Camps all summer encouraging active living. Registration opens April 4.

cwright@pise.ca

Chair update and PAC business:

We have received a few more contributions, \$1700 from families, \$1500 from Willows family businesses.

Now we have collected about \$12000 total contributions.

Discussion of ideas for 'fun' parent engagement. Trivia night, BBQ, etc.

We are a large school, there is some invisibility in this. We like to believe we are doing such a great job as a PAC, that it isn't apathy that keeps parents from participating, but satisfaction.

We will no longer have our crossing guards next year as Beacon Community Services has lost the funding. Cindy Rodier will approach Oak Bay Council for funding for crossing guards. We are the only elementary school in Oak Bay.

Discussion of money for Grade 5 graduation party.

Chelsea Wozniak put forward a motion to mark \$500 from the 'student recognition' line of the budget for Grade 5 graduation. This leaves \$500 for student recognition.

This motion was seconded by Cindy Rodier, motion passed.

Dog situation. Can't keep the dogs away from the little kids that are afraid or allergic to dogs. There was a dog fight on the grounds during kindergarten pick up. Parents are not keeping dogs to the doggy parking areas. Parents are rude and aggressive when reminded by ground staff. Due to this, no dogs will be allowed on our grounds. This could change but not soon.

We have some sandwich boards made to identify the "kiss and go" areas for drop offs. Parents aren't to get out of the car, just pull up, drop off, and leave.

Playground update: March 8 megastructure to be shipped. Dynamo web to be shipped Feb 27. SD61 will store until installation. We don't have an installation date yet.

Thank you to Angela for arranging the Valentine's Day presents for all the teachers and support staff. Well received.

Blossom Tree Festival May 17. Angela has no one shadowing, needs someone to learn to do events. Is looking for feedback on what we love about the festival. What should we do again? What was loved by K's? grade 5's?

The next PAC meeting is April 18, 2018. 7 pm in the library.

PAC morning coffee chat April 19, 2018. 9 am in the staff room.