

EIDES PAC Meeting – November 1, 2022 7:00pm

In attendance:

Carolyn Doyle, Mary Groeneweg, Ruby Yan, Laura Lee Phillips, Tanya Bossio, Chris David, Jodi Erbacher, Amber David, Melissa Crowder, Sophia Yang, Charlie Sawatzky

Baby Sitters: Sage Demers, Sam Dillon, Grace Dillon

1. <u>Adopt</u> <u>Agenda:</u>	2. Adopt Previous Meeting Minutes:
1. Ruby	1. Tanya B
2. Jodi	2.Sheri

3. Actions from Previous Meeting:

No Action

4. Principal's Report: Laura-Lee Phillips

Staffing update: (please attend meeting in person or online for a detailed list of staffing names and placements). The school is still looking for five noon hour supervisors, so please contact the school for information if you are interested. The Odyssey (French Culture) position in still open.

Events at the school this month included fire and earthquake drills and parent/teacher interviews. Coming up we have pizza day, swimming days, and Remembrance Day.

The school will have its own Remembrance Day services on November 10, with classes divided into two groups - one at 9:30am and the other at 11am. The students will share poems, and poppies will be presented from each class. Parents are welcome to attend.

There have been complaints about cars not stopping at the crosswalks before and after school. Keith will be a crossing guard in the mornings at the lights, and both crosswalks will have a crossing guard in the afternoons. Please remember to drive slowly and stop at each crosswalk!

Volleyball has started. Grade 6 Boys are on Monday and Wednesdays with Christy Stefano. Grade 6 Girls are on Tuesday and Thursdays with Devon MacGregor, Tammy Temrick and Christina. Grade 5 girls Volleyball and Basketball will be on Tuesdays and Thursdays at 4:30. Grade 4 boys and girls Volleyball will be on Thursdays at 8:00-8:55. Grade 4/5 boys Basketball will be at 8:10. Children will be welcomed and included in the gender they identify with.

The Ministry has allocated money to the district for a Student and Family Affordability Fund. That money will be used towards breakfast programs, backpack programs, meal cards, etc. If you need assistance, please reach out to the school.

MJ retired and there was a get together for her.

New curtains and lights have been ordered for the stage! Drama club will be beginning for Grade 6, with Grade 5 being the stagehands.



Planning for the Christmas concert has begun, more information to come.

At a future meeting (when it isn't pouring rain), we will go outside to view our amazing new outdoor learning space! Ms. Fleischacker has been hard at work, and it is coming together beautifully! We are hoping to add more trees to the space.

5. Treasurer's Report: Sheri Earl

Please refer to attached treasurer reports for details

6. Trustee's Report: Nicole Heckendorf

Nicole will start to attend after she is sworn in and updates will begin.

7. DPAC (District PAC): Chris David

New superintendent as been elected. We have 69 international students that pay tuition to SD5. Queens day will not be made up for and there will be a four-day weekend in April. At the DPAC meeting, Chris David was elected Treasurer!

Chris David also organized and facilitated this meeting being online - thank you Chris!

8. Expansion Update: Charlie Sawatzky

Charlie updated us from home, online. Work is still going well despite the weather! Rain slowed down the roof work but has not caused major delays. The painting in the parking lot and bus lanes has some mistakes and will be corrected by the contractor. Charlie shared blueprint images of the new addition and gave a virtual tour of the expansion.

9. OTHER BUSINESS:

a. Fernie and Sparwood Rocky Mountain International Student Program - Sophia Yang

They are looking for home placements for international students. There are currently 10-15 students in Fernie. Numbers are low because of covid and they are hoping to increase them. Families that house a student receive \$1300 per month, per student. That amount is only for Fernie, with other towns receiving \$900 per month, per student (Fernie has a higher cost of living). There is a five-month program and a ten-months program with students arriving in September or February. If you are interested, please reach out to Sophia Yang at sophia.yang@sd6.bc.ca or at 250-423-1760. There is also a \$500 referral bonus. Sophia will ask placement families how they received their information, and you could be eligible for the \$500 bonus if you referred them.



b. Apple Fundraiser - Sheri Earl

We raised \$400 less than last year – we think it was because there were no Honey crisps. It needs to be noted for future apple fundraisers, that shipping prices have doubled and if we did not share the shipping with other schools in town, we would have only made a profit of around \$200. We did share the shipping and raised \$1,173.78 for the school through this event. Reports from families say that the apples were delicious!

Many thanks to Sheri Earl for organizing the fundraiser and thinking on her feet to solve the increased shipping prices!

c. Christmas Plant Fundraiser - Jodi Erbacher

The email to place your order has been sent out. Orders are due in two weeks. They will arrive December 1st. Closer to the date, we will send out a Sign up Genius to our volunteers list to help with distribution.

Other Business:

This has been our first meeting available online AND in person. Let us know what you think!

10. Meeting adjourned at 7:47 pm

Next PAC meeting is Tuesday, December 6, 2022 at 7pm (available online and in person at the school library).

Important Dates:

November 7 - Coding Club - Grades 3-6 in the Library

November 10 - Remembrance Day Ceremony 9:30 and 11:00

November 17 - EA Appreciation Day, Pizza Day

November 18 - School Spirit Day - Wear School Colours or School Shirt

November 23 - Grade 6 Immunizations

December 1 - Plant Fund Raiser Delivery PAC

December 1 - Volleyball Tournament Elkford

December 9 - Report Cards Out

December 9 - School Spirit Day - Wear School Colours or School Shirt

December 16 - Last day – winter break