

Sands PAC Meeting Minutes

October 20th, 2015

In Attendance

Helen Braun, Debby Kabesh, Melissa Sabatini, Jodi Weststrate, Ginger Dosanjh, Aaron Akune, Karthy Sivalingam, Trish Schaffer, Michelle Hebein

Principal's Update:

- Grade 8 Retreat and breakfast was a big success with a great parent turnout!
- Terry Fox Run went well
- Orange Shirt Day on Sept 30th, recognized survivors of residential schools
- Grad Boat Cruise was a tremendous success – the captain commented on how great our students were!
- Oct 14th, Emergency Preparedness – Great Shakeout BC
 - Teachers lined up A to Z for attendance
 - Primary Evacuation to a secondary location at the tennis courts – there was more than enough space
 - Next major drill will involve wristbands to organize and contain students
- Edcamp was also successful– hoping to involve more participants next year!
- Minister of Education Scott Hamilton visited and met with trustees and district management reps. Positive, successful visit that reflected very well on students and staff
- Upcoming:
 - We Day October 21st
 - Parent Teacher Interviews
 - Grade 9 take your kids to work day
 - Interim reports on November 9th
 - Remembrance Day Assembly on November 10th

- Trish and Ginger will be looking into stocking emergency supplies and preparing supply bin
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- Treasurer's Report:
 - \$15,560 received for the Gaming Grant!!
 - (Application date for next year's grant is April 1st, 2016)
 - PAC will direct grant monies as follows:

Club/Group	Request	Cost
Hardship Fund	Counseling	\$800
Grade 8 Breakfast & Retreat	Supplies	\$1000
Dry Grad (159 x 10)		\$1590
Sholarships (2 x \$500)		\$1000
Modified Academics Program	Body Works field trip	\$203
Fine Arts Exhibition		\$240
Athletics	First Aid kits	\$77
	Cart for folding chairs	\$685
	Sr. Girls Soccer Uniforms	\$1300
	Jr. Girls Volleyball Jerseys	\$890
Student Leadership	Mentorship program	\$1000
Me to We	Local charities	\$200
Library	Super Readers	\$100
	High Interest Books	\$2000
English 9	Midsummer Night's Dream Production	\$1500
Writing 12	Guest Speaker	\$200
Science 10	Annacis Island Waste Treatment Field Trip	\$600
Tea and Colouring Club	supplies	\$50

Photography/ Yearbook Club	Camera replacement	\$1925
Robotics	equipment	\$200
Total:		

PAC suggested having forms for teachers to provide better description of requests for PAC money.

DPAC:

- 2 instructional days will be used as professional development for educators to work new curriculum with 2 months notice to families (January, February)
- 1 additional day each year for the next two years
- curriculum.gov.bc.ca

Next PAC meeting Tuesday November 17th, at 7:00pm.