Jamieson PAC General Meeting Minutes Wednesday, April 18, 2019

In attendance:

Executive members: Wanda Chow jacqueline Tiong

Grace Chan Edwin Lee Cindy Ling
Flo Lum Janice Yip Lily Cheng

General members: Jo-Ann Fong, Fun Pang Yang

Meeting called to order at 7:05 pm

Approval of Agenda

Edwin motions to approve agenda, seconded by Cindy, carried

Approval of Minutes of the Feb 21, 2019 PAC General meeting

Kathy motions to approve minutes, seconded by Flo, carried

Chair's Report: Grace Chan

It's a really busy time of year with lots happening. May 27 is the PAC Annual General Meeting. We are recruiting new people, four executive positions need to be filled.

Principal's Report: Natasha Miladinovic

Jess Dance performance was held just before spring break, families gave much positive feedback.

There are 58 of 60 maximum Kindergarten students enrolled already, expect to fill all three classes. There have been 28 students accepted to Mandarin program – 15 Gr 5, 13 Gr 4, out of 70 applicants. The rest will be waitlisted.

Will be going up to 21 divisions, resource teachers will lose their space to permit the additional class.

A 78 per cent adoption rate so far on SchoolCashOnline.com, the new online payment system for fees.

There was a "Hold and Secure" held recently in response to a fire at Langara College nearby. A couple weeks later the school held a scheduled lockdown drill which went very well.

Strings concert preparations are underway.

A new extra clerical staff person starting next Thursday, will say goodbye to Cathy who was a temp

Local MLA Michael Lee, Trustee Lois Chan-Pedley and Magdalena Kassis, VSB director of instruction, toured the school on Tuesday, a surprise visit.

Wish list to PAC, mainly technology.

Have applied for Best Buy \$10,000 grant for technology.

Committee to Schools team is running a Lego robotics program after school.

Treasurer's Report: Grace Chan on behalf of Kim Lai

Received about \$11,000 in gaming grant this year. Its use is restricted to extra-curricular items only.

Spending of PAC funds included Jess Dance grant, VSO trips, Hamber and Churchill scholarships.

Financial statement is a snapshot on March 31, net profit was about \$1600 but currently at about \$18,000. Everything is on target.

Budget needs to be cleaned up to remove approved expenses that will not be spent such as \$3,000 for display cases (included as part of school's seismic upgrade project), possibly making funds more flexible.

DPAC Report: Grace Chan on behalf of Alex Dow

VSB priorities now are long range facilities planning (five-year plan for future renovation and building of schools), and next year's budget. There are opportunities for online input.

Old Business

Strings Concert – Grace

Senior concert May 15 at Magee Secondary auditorium, this year's theme is Japan. Deputy Consul-General of Japan is attending. invitations have been sent out to VSB trustees and VSB senior management, and new maestro at VSO, and all Jamieson teachers. Ticket sales started, sold about 200 already. All related fundraising benefits the strings program.

Junior concert, June 5, at Jamieson gym. Free concert, plus a school performance on May 14 during school day. Thanks to army of volunteers putting this all together.

Spring Fair – Lily

On June 14, carnival games, Japadog, bubble tea food trucks, balloon lady, henna painting, more info to come, will need parent volunteers.

Teacher Appreciation Day – Flo

On May 31 - every year the PAC pampers teachers with breakfast, coffee break and buffet lunch. Are planning one large gift for teachers this year.

Hot Lunch - Janice

Sales are going well, will help with Sports Day and bringing lunches to track meet final at Churchill in May.

Adjournment

Grace motions to adjourn the meeting at 7:31pm, seconded by Cindy, carried