



Bayview PAC Meeting Minutes

Date: Tuesday, April 17, 2016, 3:15 to 4:45 pm

Location: Bayview Library

Attendance:

Anna Eberhard Friedlander (chair), Sarah Chipperfield, Emilia Doro, Michael Kleinman, Carmen Lange (briefly, item 9 only), Cora Sheyka, Joss Taylor, Cecil Konijnendijk (minutes) (with Katie Appleby, Birgitte Biorn, Ebru Montagano for Bayview staff)

Agenda Items

1. Introduction/call for additional agenda items

- The agenda was adopted without changes. Anna mentioned that this would be Cecil's last meeting as the PAC secretary and thanked him for his work.

2. Minutes of last meeting

- The minutes of the previous meeting (March 13, 2018) were adopted without changes.
- The microwave for the staff room had not yet been bought.

3. Teachers' update (Katie Appleby)

- Division 1 had been reading 'The Glory Field' about slavery.
- Division 2 had worked on their health booklets and was preparing a science fair.
- Division 3 had been mapping favourite indoor and outdoor locations at Bayview, and this material would be handed to the architects designing the new school.
- Division 4 was working on long divisions and had set up a book club.
- Division 5's social development work was going very well. Shawn Lau was new to Bayview, as was Kira (the new youth and family advisor).
- Division 6 was studying the history of residential schools and working on persuasive writing.
- Divisions 7 & 8 had their salmon release coming up, and would visit the Museum of Anthropology as part of its focus on First Nations.
- Division 9 had been working on a big community inquiry.
- Division 10 had had a lot of focus on gardening.
- Division 11 was growing potatoes and beans, and working with the reduce-reuse-recycle concepts.
- Division 12 had its focus on spring in different aspects.
- Division 13's attention had been on plants and gardening, and a class composting project had been done.



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- The Resource Team reported that it has been a really good year so far, with good progress in reading and writing skills.
- The teachers would have a ‘lunch and learn’ the following week on the use of online resources for science and social studies.

4. Principal's update: Birgitte Biorn

- The Sports Day on May 17th would be held in ‘family teams’ with students from all grades in each team. The 7th graders would be responsible for the different stations, while the 6th graders would lead the teams. Venue of the sports day would be McBride Park and (possibly) Bayview.
- Enrolment was rather steady at about 270, with approx.. 38 new kindergarten kids.
- The Crazy Hat & Hair Day has been a huge success.
- Not many people had yet responded to the general satisfaction survey sent out to students and parents of grades 4 and 7.
- The Volunteer Tea would be held on May 10th, after the assembly.
- Welcome to kindergarten would be on May 4th. The ‘ready-set-learn’ event had been a success, with 20 parents and 30 student participating. In the future, these events would perhaps be combined.
- The needs assessment for the annual SSAL allocation was being developed, as a basis for funding for full-time support for children with special needs.
- The PAC would perhaps be asked to financially support the performance of a music group from Paraguay called ‘The Landfill Harmonic’ (who play on instruments recovered from waste).
- There was about \$2000 of PAC-funding left in the school account, which would be used first before new funding was allocated.

5. Budget Update: Joss Taylor and Emilia Doro

- At the time of the meeting, the PAC had \$65,741.59 in its regular account, and \$ 11,858.15 in its gaming account.
- Fundraising: the Purdy’s chocolate sale had raised \$377.61 and popcorn revenues from the past three weeks had been \$260. Parents’ Night Out at the Blenheim had raised \$208 dollar, and had been very popular. Anna would investigate a similar event before the summer vacation, potentially at another venue.
- The need for building up a reserve fund for the seismic upgrade was discussed. Fundraising should start with an overall initial target of \$100,000 in mind, for e.g., purchasing furniture and other equipment, carpets, technology, playground equipment.

6. Seismic update: Anna Friedlander (for Tanya Kyi)

- Some of the teachers and parent representatives had toured the Crosstown Elementary School the previous day to see a new school and discuss architectural options. The visit had been positive and inspiring.



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- The following day, a 2nd envisioning session would be held with the seismic upgrade project team and the architects. Good ideas were being compiled. The need for a covered area was once again stressed, and would need further lobbying.

7. Hot lunch options

- Anna had received an overview of options.
- It was decided to undertake a survey amongst parents, using SurveyMonkey, to get a better overview of hot lunch preferences.

8. Plan for Welcome to Kindergarten in late May

- The PAC would prepare a hand-out, with key information, links, resources, etc.
- The hand-out should also function as a factsheet for new parents, and encourage them to volunteer.

9. Sports day planning

- The PAC (coordinated by Carmen Lange) would take care of all the snacks during Sports Day, as no fund raising for the June trip was scheduled.
- Emilia would help Carmen with fund raising. Wholefoods was no longer an option as a sponsor, as they only wanted to provide coupons.
- Volunteers were needed for preparing the snacks.

10. New business and next meeting

- A large amount of books had been received for the book sale. Volunteers were needed. Part of the books would go to the partner school in Nepal (which had been destroyed by an earthquake). Teachers would also be offered the possibility of first choice of books for their classrooms.
- Balls and other equipment for the playground bin would be purchased by the PAC, with the assistance of Barb.
- Barb can facilitate the purchasing of T-shirts, hoodies etc. with the Bayview-logo. The ordering time would be only 1-2 weeks.
- The PAC agreed to continue its \$200 Bayview scholarship for a graduating student at Kits Secondary. It did not need to be present to hand out the award.

Next PAC meeting: Wednesday May 9th, 6.30-8.00 pm (please note the new date!)