

Ferris Elementary Parents Advisory Council (PAC) Meeting

March 4, 2019 6:00PM – 7:00 PM

Attendees: Naoko Watanabe, Rebecca Soronow, Mrs. Steele (Principal), Mr. Campbell (Vice-Principal), Joanna Xu, Elena Langlois, Anupriya Kansal, Yan Wen, Stacey Yuan, Fritz Ho, Kiersten Moore, Yuehan Ding, Cecilia Bisdorf, Alla Becker

1. Administrators' Report

Mrs. Steele provided key highlights:

- PAC sponsored the school wide Bollywood Evening Dance. Performance will be held at Richmond Secondary on Thursday, March 7, at 6-7 PM. Detailed notification will be sent to all families.
- Seismic Upgrade Update: There will be disruption to get the portables setup (take off fence, trucks at school, classes take turns in swing section etc) next Monday/Tuesday. School gym will not be available in Sep and Oct.
- Currently school is leasing computers and is looking into mobile option: iPad with keyboard, laptop etc.
- Starting September, we are reviewing the schedules in order to have more consistent district wide schedules---teachers will be incorporating two 55-minute prep per week as part of their routine.
- School district field trip agreements are being sent home to be signed for all fieldtrips.
- Safety to be considered for drop off during construction.
- Students can arrive at school as early as 8:30am; however, after school hours, 10-year old or younger playing at the playground must be supervised by an adult or guardian. Children can misbehave, get hurt and/or injured by others.
- 60 kindergarteners are attending Ferris in September. Enrollment in Richmond school district has been increasing.

2. Treasurer's Report

- WeChat Used Items Group: \$858 as of January. PAC treasurer has not received any money in the past month from this group.
- Hot Lunch running total: \$2979.48
- Zumba Night + Pizza Night - Date to be determined
- Movie Night – Date to be determined (Spiderman- into the Spider-Verse as an option)
- Remove the “maximum 1 month per family per year” parking rule for silent auction
- Donations are accepted at Bollywood Dance Night for the Playground Project
- Total fund raised so far: \$40,174.65
- \$200 paid for teacher's wishlist. ~\$125 per wobbly chair x 20 divisions - to be purchased.
- Teacher reimbursement: teachers need to submit receipts by the end of May, \$200 max per teacher.
- Bollywood dance fee is based on number of students.
- PAC will contact Richmond Secondary regarding sponsoring Ferris Alumni Scholarship
- Available miscellaneous fund: Volunteer appreciation gathering

3. Fundraising Report

- No Hot Lunch in March.
- Hot Lunches for April and May are now available on Munchalunch. April 12 – Subway; April 26 - Fresh Slice Pizza; May 10 - Fresh Slice Pizza
- Spring Gym sale – Saturday, April 27, 10-12PM, \$10 per table. If proceeds are donated to PAC, the table fee is waived.
- Blundell Market - \$105.28 raised in February
- Spring Carnival – Thursday, May 30, 3-5PM, need secure space to store games
- Raffle Donation - need ~10 donations, mixture of prizes for students and parents

4. Volunteer Recruitment

Please contact PAC at ferrispac@gmail.com or sign up on Konstella if you can help with the following events:

- Fruits and Veggie days: TBD - ~6 volunteers required
- Hot Lunch: April 12, 26, May 10 – ~15 volunteers required
- Spring Carnival – May 30, LOTS of volunteers required

5. Other Business

- Changes to PAC constitution and bylaws were discussed, voted on and passed. Updated version will be posted on School PAC webpage.
- Breakfast Club - needs to be a free community event for everyone and requires lots of volunteers, to be considered in the future

Meeting adjourned at 7:00 pm

Next Meeting: April 8, 2019, 6:00 to 7:00 pm.