Ferris Elementary Parents Advisory Council (PAC) Meeting  
January 13, 2020 6:00-7:00pm  
Meeting agenda

Attendance: Mrs. Steele, Mr. Campbell, Yuehan Ding, Fritz Ho, Joanna Xu, Stacey Yuan, Alla Becker, Cecilia Bisdorf, Shelly Ren, Vivienne Zhang.

1. Welcome and Introduction
   - Approval of Minutes from the last meeting

2. Reports
   - School Administrative Report from Mrs. Steele
     • Teachers’ wish list:
       1. PE equipment $1500
       2. Flexible/movable furniture for Library - $400 x 2
       3. Lunch Hour Band: Kawanis Musical Festival in Richmond on Apr 24, needs $500 entrance fee which includes bus rental for 50 students.
     - Social & Emotional Learning – Learn in nurturing and supporting environment and build skills to manage students’ own emotions in healthy ways
     • Pro-D Day – Monday, Jan. 27, 2020 – Staff will be learning more about EASE (Everyday Anxiety Strategies for Educators)
     • Website links on how parents can support the social and emotional development of our students can be found in school newsletter.
     • Registration date for new students is currently underway—with important deadlines—these are posted on the Richmond School District Website
     • Several G4-7 students provided their feedbacks to school in December and a few presented at Richmond School Board meeting; Students’ voice is greatly valued.
     • Next ePortfolio survey will be in February.
     • Addiction to smart phones is a current topic—looking into RCMP presentation for Spring. Ferris doesn’t allow students to use smart phones, unless with teacher’s permission for academic purpose.

   - Financial Report
     • Total $15,750 donation from parents.  School board has not deposited the checks due to one invalid check.
     • Total profit from the 4 Hot Lunches in 2019 is $1,606.90.
     • 6 more Hot Lunch in 2020.  PAC will sell more food at concession table on Sports Day, June 12.
     • WeChat parents’ donation so far is $145.
     • Cobs Bread donated $54.03 from last year’s Ferris purchases.

3. Upcoming Fundraisers and Community Building Events
   - Hot Lunch: Jan 17 (Pizza), Feb 21 (Sushi), Mar 13 (Pizza), Apr 17 (Pizza), May 22 (Sushi), Jun 19 (Pizza)
   - Fruits & Veggies: Jan 22, Feb 5, Feb 26, Apr 22, May 6, May 27 – A team of 4 parents handles all the background work for the whole year.
   - Cultural Celebration: Thursday, Jan. 23, 2:45pm to 3:45pm, Preparing work at Gym kitchen at 1:50pm
   - Science World Live Show: Friday, Feb 7
     How2Science for Gr. K-3 and Earth, Wind & Science for Gr. 4-7.  PAC sponsors, $1,260+GST
   - Spring Plant and Gym Sale: Saturday, April 18, 10am-12pm
   - Staff Appreciation Luncheon: Thursday, May 14
   - Spring Carnival: Thursday, May 28 LOOKING FOR COORDINATORS.
   - Music in the Park: Wednesday, June 3
   - Parent Appreciation Tea: Friday, June 5
- Sports Day: Friday, Jun 12

4. Volunteer Needs - Sign up on Konstella
   Hot Lunch
   Cultural Celebration
   Spring Carnival coordinators

5. District PAC
   Screenagers Next Chapter: Jan 21 6:00-8:30pm

6. Playground Update
   Companies pledge letters.
   Timeline: All fundraisers need to be completed by April 2020, place order by May 2020 and construction in August 2020. DPAC/school admin authorized activities are covered by insurance for parents volunteering.

7. New Business
   Open floor to questions and new ideas

8. ADJOURNMENT, next meeting Monday Feb. 3, 2020 at 6:00pm