



## Monthly PAC Meeting Minutes

May 14<sup>th</sup>, 2018

6:30 - 7:30 pm

### **In Attendance:**

Lily Foster, Co-Chair  
Jessica McIlroy, Co-Chair  
Jennifer Mitchell, Secretary  
Jennifer Wilson, Principal  
Brigette Gerandol, Vice-Principal  
Karen Savolainen, Parent

### **Regrets**

Gita Naran, Treasurer  
Christie Manlolo, Vice-Chair

### **Karen Savolainen – Update to Traffic Control for West 13<sup>th</sup>**

- Since Karen's daughter has been in kindergarten, she has been sending emails to the RCMP, City Hall, and anyone else asking about what can be done about the speeding vehicles on 13<sup>th</sup> Street in front of Queen Mary
- City of North Vancouver City Planner Brandon Greene finally responded to her emails and they met – after observing the traffic, identifying problems (poor visibility, the school zone in front of St. Thomas Aquinas) and discussing various options (painted speed markers on the road, new lights), the City has decided to install “Dialogue Boxes” on either side of the road
- Dialogue Boxes have been used in Europe and are new to Canada – they consist of lighted boxes with a picture of a child asking parents to follow the speed limit – they have been very successful in Europe
- Information about the product can be found at the below website: <http://www.rtb-bl.de/RTB/en/radar-systems/dialogue-display/>
- The City has promised these will be installed in Spring 2018, but there is no firm date as of May 14<sup>th</sup>.
- Queen Mary administration and PAC give their sincere thanks to Karen for all her hard work

### **Lily Foster – Treasurer’s Report**

- **General Account:** For the month of April, \$800 came in from Fun Lunch sales and Queen Mary t-shirt sales (approx. 150 shirts were sold)
- General Account now has approximately \$10,900 in it
- \$7,000 if it will be rolling into next year; \$6100 for Food Access program (this is the amount remaining from a \$7500 grant from Cove Cliff School for the Food Access program as only \$1400 was spent this year)
- \$900 (from sales of t-shirts) will also be rolled over to next year as it will be put towards purchase of an Emergency Supplies Shed located away and outside the school in case of earthquake
- This means approximately \$3000 for the next month and a half with most of this being spent for teacher requests, school programs, family barbecue, bouncy castle for Fun Day, etc.
- **Gaming Account:** \$7500 deposited into the account at the beginning of school year, \$4900 left and it is anticipated that about \$1,000 will be left over at the end of June (money going to help fund field trips, teacher supplies)

### **Jessica McIlroy – Upcoming Events**

- Fun Day (May 18<sup>th</sup>): Students will be attending teacher fun stations; there will be a bouncy castle, grade 7 fundraising events (“Soak-a-grad”, treats for sale)
- Friday Max Fruit Popsicle Days – sales are going well, with two more Fridays in May for sales
- Reminder about Fun Lunch order deadline for May
- Coffee morning (June 8<sup>th</sup>); with Maria Morisseau leaving her position, her colleague has helped fill in the gap at Queen Mary until a new person can be hired – likely for September this year
- Family BBQ (June 15<sup>th</sup>), 5-6:30; 500 people are expected
- Queen Mary Green Team: Kids on the team are working to paint and assemble a wooden lending library box, that will eventually be installed next to the Queen Mary playground
- Bike-to-School week (May 28<sup>th</sup> – June 1<sup>st</sup>); Posters will be put up around the school and prizes given out; the Fire Department will send a fire truck one morning and the City will set up a booth to encourage biking or walking to school rather than driving; the hope is that this will decrease car traffic around Queen Mary in the future

### **Lily Foster - BCCPAC Conference**

- Lily and Jessica recently attended and were very enthusiastic and uplifted by the number of speakers and enthusiasm the Ministry of Education had for supporting PACs around the province: lots of money being invested (SOGI and playground funding among others)

### **Brigette Gerandol – Vice-Principal’s Report**

- Visiting Japanese teacher has been working with grade one students; has introduced some aspects of Japanese culture to the children
- Dance classes for grades 5, 6 and 7 recently finished; very successful
- Grade 3s will have two sessions free-of-charge from Cycle BC in June

### **Jennifer Wilson – Principal’s Report**

- Grade 7 PYP Exhibition (May 15<sup>th</sup>)
- Talent show (May 16<sup>th</sup>); two performances will be held – one at 1pm and 6:30pm
- Student release drill (May 31<sup>st</sup>); Red Fox after school and parents can return their kids for this program if they are signed up for it
- Jujitsu classes starting
- Track and Field ongoing
- Aboriginal Day( June 12<sup>th</sup>)
- Volunteer Tea (May 24<sup>th</sup>)
- 2018/19 School calendar will be on QM website by the end of May, but not all dates for the upcoming school year will be listed as some dates are still being finalized
- School District has confirmed that Queen Mary will have 18 divisions next year (one more than this year) and will include three kindergarten classes, three grade 1 classes, and two of every other grade
- School District is looking at possible location for a portable on the grounds of Queen Mary but no location has yet been determined

**Meeting adjourned at 7:22 pm**