#### HANDSWORTH PAC

# HPAC MEETING - JANUARY 17, 2022

1. Good evening! My name is Carmen Jensen and it's 7:00 PM. I'd like to call the Jan 17, 2022 meeting of the Handsworth PAC to order. Attendees: 39

Welcome!

We acknowledge and thank the Coast Salish people, upon whose traditional territory the North Vancouver School District resides. We express our gratitude to the Squamish Nation and Tsleil Waututh Nation and we value the opportunity to learn, live and share educational experiences on this traditional territory.

## **Reminders: Virtual meeting process:**

- Meeting will be recorded for the purposes of the Secretary accurately reflecting the meeting on the minutes. keeping accurate minutes
- stay on mute
- vote using hand icon.
- for questions, use chat function or hands up feature
- One question per person.
- all notes are kept on the Handsworth website
- 2. The agenda was provided through the broadcast message sent on Thursday Jan 13. Are there any changes to that agenda? Can we have a motion to adopt the agenda?

Move: Mel

Second: Jen Roberts

**Vote Carried** 

3. The minutes were provided through the broadcast message sent on Thursday, Jan 13. Are there any corrections to the minutes? If there are no corrections, can we have a motion to approve the minutes?

Move: Mel Second: Candice Vote Carried

## 4. Theatre seat Fundraiser - Tracy Lloyd

- Thanks to parents sold 82 seats, 30% to goal. Sales of seats have been a steady trickle

   1 to 2 seats per day. Momentum is carrying through January. Don't have a dollar figure
   yet. 82 seats in with 30% sold.
- Seats cost go to Handsworth website under performing arts. \$2000 for first couple of rows, \$1000 for middle rows, \$500 for rear rows. Welcome donations of any size as well.
- In addition to seat sales are there donations still coming in from school cash online? How much has come in? Rupi: about \$5700. Other donations have come in, alumni has come in with equipment donation, etc.

# 5. Treasurer Report: Jana Madill

- Finance Report not a big change on general accounts, growth in hot lunch account. First session almost at an end, hot lunch monies to athletics. Projected profits close to \$10,000. Tremendous program and money goes straight to athletics.
- Gaming Funding Allocation Part 2 (link to website)
  - i. In Dec we had not received gaming funds yet.
  - ii. Voted to carry over gaming funds from last year and voted to distribute certain pre-approved funds.
  - iii. Phase 2 recommendations: gaming funds came in at over \$28,000. Support a lot of requests that came in. Double the number of requests.
  - iv. Changes since report was posted last week: \$10,000 request, based on prior commitment we are funding \$2000 of this. Robotics not a change to amount but changes to technology and needs to reallocate batteries for existing kits, not upgradable. Approval seeking on \$33,000 on requests.
  - v. Most requests are being funded at 100%. Recommendations by excc to fund only a certain percentage of each request. Roughly 80% of the larger requests.
  - vi. Anything over \$1000 and coming out of gaming needs general vote from PAC.
  - vii. Review and vote on teacher wish list funding recommendations for 2021-2022
    - 1. Motion and vote: Mover: Jana: Second: Tri. Any opposition to this motion to approve budget spend. Motion passes.

## 6. Administration Report: Rupi Samra-Gynane

- New School Occupancy
  - i. 4 years and 2 days since the new build announced!
  - ii. Lots of things happening in new build, operations
  - iii. Last couple of weeks will be wrapping up
  - iv. Final week of Jan/early Feb asking kids to connect with teachers if they need course catchup
  - v. Weekend of Jan 29/30 internet access is switching over. Try to wrap up by Jan 28 if students can.
  - vi. Tues turnaround day for teachers, Wed move day, pro D day Thursday/Friday
  - vii. Monday Feb 7 school open
  - viii. Asking everyone to come into grand entrance 1033 Handsworth Road grade 8 first for orientation shortly after grade 9 staggered from that point to 10:10. Required orientation fire stations, etc.
  - ix. Start of day 1, semester 2. Slightly shortened day.
  - x. Athletics everything not moving along quite as fast due to omicron, etc.
  - xi. School maps are included in communication. Quite intuitive to find areas.
  - xii. Students will receive updated schedule at school on Jan 26 and will have new room numbers and staff to direct them. May be some staffing changes to certain classes. Teacher classroom numbers may change in some cases but this has been updated. If something looks wrong connect with counsellor.
  - xiii. Also doing video to have ready on opening day. Various stakeholders will be highlighted good to share with incoming grade 7 students. Hopefully will get to do face to face with grade 7 students.

- xiv. Second shot at inspection tomorrow, will get keys. Bulk of move will happen on Jan 28/29.
- xv. Hopefully artwork will be up as well! Will look put together and ready to go.
- xvi. Feel good story! HW alumni wanted to give back in memory of daughter Dr Suzanne Murphy. Mr Horvath. Quantum Lighting owned by family giving us discounted pricing and cost of equipment from another school at very low cost. Also doing pro bono work for us to set it up. We will save 25-40% of an over \$200,000 project, and pay WHEN WE CAN! This is amazing news!
- xvii. Connectivity to students? Hearing some feedback on social media that kids are not as engaged in new school build as parents are. How are we engaging kids?
  - 1. We haven't had much time to get with kids in assembly etc to get enthusiasm going.
  - 2. Teachers are going to start talking up to kids more in classes.
  - 3. Naming process has been completed.
  - 4. Materials in the old build need to salvaged.
  - 5. It's been hard to bring students together in person but trying to do it over announcements. Will make bigger efforts over the next week to get excitement going.
  - 6. Pre Covid there was a lot of feedback in design and input phase, but that stopped when Covid started.

#### Operations:

- i. Course programming, starts in Oct, looking at guides and for teachers to provide updates or asks for new courses. Some are every year, some every other year – feedback from depts, etc. Most course offerings are student driven, some by teachers or admins.
- ii. Course programming nights coming up next week:
  - 1. Presentations will be recorded and PP will be shared.
  - 2. Go to HW website under courses and programs for more information

## • COVID 19 Update

- i. We have 120 staff, 29 absent on Friday.
- ii. Moving people around to make sure classes are covered, teachers on call are short as well. Moving around librarian, etc.
- iii. Today we only had 11 staff away. If we can survive a third of the staff being away we're doing pretty well!
- iv. We have lots of non teaching staff counsellors, teaching librarians, etc to cover.
- v. Just need to get through the next couple of weeks hoping that by the new move things will look better.
- vi. Will we have semester program system next year? Parent consultation is coming out tomorrow to give feedback. Survey style. Open for 2 weeks for parents to give feedback.

## 7. Hot lunch update: Velda Williams

- First session of hot lunch is almost complete, thank you to all the lunch volunteers who make this program possible.
- Second session is short 5 weeks in total Feb 7 spring break.

- i. A few new menu items being added to each day, Booster Juice coming as an addition to pizza Fridays.
- ii. Ordering will be opening next weekend (Jan 23/24) and will stay open until Feb 4.
- iii. First day of hot lunch in the new school is Tuesday Feb 8

# 8. Call out for Co-Treasurer/New members:

- New members grade 8 reps. Candice Storm and Shannon Harris welcome!
- Looking for a future Treasurer to start shadowing Jana and then to take over next year.

# 9. Adjournment at 7:47. Breakout Rooms

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The next HPAC meeting will be held

# Monday, Feb 28 at 7 PM. Location - Zoom

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