

# Norgate Xwemélch'stn Community School PAC MINUTES

Monday, December 9<sup>th</sup>, 2024, 7 pm

**Present:** Bahar Adel (PAC Chair), Morag Crocker (PAC Secretary), Cristina Padres (PAC Communication Executive), Vicki Burrows (PAC Treasurer), Glenda Robertson (Principal), Morarvid

**Regrets:** Hannah Tikkanen (PAC Fun Lunch Coordinator), David Andrews (Vice Principal)

## 1. Treasurer update:

- Vicki reconciled financial statements to end of November and funds are looking good
- Fun lunches have already raised \$2300, which is getting close to our goal of \$3000!
- Holiday market raised \$1953 so far and there are a few silent auction items still available so potential to raise another \$200-300
- Donations option is functioning through Zeffy and Zeffy is now connected to the PAC bank accounts so that the proceeds from the winter market can be transferred
- Net revenue so far this year is \$6700, so we are on track to reach our goal for the year
- Minimal expenses so far, other than grade 7 hoodies and a few classroom supplies, which will show on the (end of) December statement
- School received a large grant, which is reducing the expenses that school staff would otherwise submit to the PAC
- No update regarding the outdoor learning space as quotes received have been very high but Vicki will connect with Glenda regarding a contact who could assist with pricing
- Feedback received that companies that have a budget for community grants take requests earlier in the year so this should be considered next year

## 2. Winter Market report

- Winter market went very well, with good attendance and community engagement; kudos to the volunteers who worked hard to organize it all!

## 3. Principal's update

- Everyone is getting excited for the holidays ahead
- First term learning updates will be available as of Thursday, December 12<sup>th</sup> and reminders have been sent for parents to update their MyEd BC password
- Grade 7's are doing their holiday market on Friday, December 13<sup>th</sup>
- The annual pancake breakfast and sing-along are planned for Friday, December 20<sup>th</sup>

## 4. Walking School Bus Program

- The Walking School Bus Program is an initiative to encourage children to walk to school, rather than be driven

- The society that organizes this program are looking for volunteers at schools within the District of North Van
- Parents can sign up to support the walking school bus program and receive training and a walking map: <https://scyofbc.org/walking-school-bus/>

#### 5. Fun Lunches

- Next fun lunch is coming up soon, **December 13**, from Fresh Slice pizza– deadline to order is Dec 9 at 9:00 pm, via <https://munchalunch.com/schools/norgate>
- The next four pizza lunches are already open for sign-up, although there will be other options in the months in between, and ordering will become available closer to the date

#### 6. NVSD Updates

- BCPAC by-election is open for voting between Dec 9 & Jan 9, if you are a current PAC member
  - More information available at: <https://bccpac.bc.ca/index.php/about-us/board-of-directors/by-election-2024>
- **Survey for the North Van Safety Council; please provide your feedback:**
- Dancing Divas – This group performed at the Winter Market, after which some community members expressed interest in what they offer
  - They can offer community line dancing sessions and are willing to teach to NXCE students as well
  - Reach out to Bahar for their contact information
- **BCPAC has an anti-racism action plan, with funding available for school initiatives**
- NV School District new student registration and transfer requests opens on January 6 (open until March 7)
- North Van libraries are offering book swaps, although two dates have passed
  - There is one more swap this year, on Dec 11 (4:00-5:30pm), at the Lynn Valley Library

**Meeting adjourned: 7:40pm**