

Selkirk Parent Group (SPG)
Meeting Minutes
14 September 2021, 6pm

Attendees: Meghan, Cheryl, Susan, Shelly, Rachel, Melaina, Penny, Amanda, Jean, Jennifer, Heather, Noel, Rex, Liz, Rhoda, Gita, Erin, Dominic, Cassie, Tim, Karma, Malia, Yukiko, Inesa, Marie, Maya, K Buttew, Shanna

1. Chair's Welcome and Introduction of members:

2. Chair's Report:

- Meghan presented a SPG Orientation slideshow
 - SPG members were directed to the school website for information on the SPG, including guidelines, as well as the school's vision, mission and values
 - Meghan reiterated that the SPG is not a PAC, but a group of parent volunteers who raise funds to support the students' educational experience
 - Fundraising activities include Paradise Island Cheese, Hot Lunch, Spirit Wear, Art Cards, Mabel's Labels, Wiser Wash, Purdy's Chocolates, and Fin and Izzy, and Thrifty's Smile Cards in past years.
 - These funds have supported such activities as field trips, equipment, Parent Education nights, gardening materials, class discretionary funds, microphone stands, creative dance and theatre classes, Outdoor Education programming, mud kitchen, Freezies on the Green, back to school bbq, games night, spaghetti social, and holiday treats.

- Volunteer positions:
 - The following volunteer positions are currently unfilled: Vice Chair; Secretary; Volunteer Organizer; class reps for Chickadee, Hummingbird am/pm, Owl, Raccoon and Sea Star classes; and Spirit Wear. The Treasurer is also looking at succession planning for that position this academic year.

ACTION: The following individuals stepped forward to fill a volunteer position:

- Secretary – Melaina
- Spirit Wear – Liz
- Jason – may be able to help with Hot Lunch

3. Open Floor:

- Community building
 - Ways to build community, especially in light of COVID-19 related protocols, were discussed with the following suggests recorded:
 - Flowers for the 1st day of school in each classroom
 - Hallowe'en Treat Bag
 - Selkirk ROCKS rock hunt
 - Virtual Games Night
 - Wine and Cheese Fundraiser
 - Spaghetti Social at a Distance with your classmates

- Events Calendar
 - The SPG attempts to schedule one "event/activity" per month
 - The calendar of events is planned either at the end of the school year or the very beginning
 - Some of the events penciled in for the 2021/22 school year are:
 - * Spirit Wear – Oct / Spring
 - * Purdy's – November (Christmas) / March (Easter)
 - * Paradise Island Cheese – November/December
 - * Teacher Appreciation – December / May
 - * Open House – January (SPG Table)
 - * West Coast Seed – tentatively February (new event)
 - * Art Cards - April
 - * Freezies on the Green – June

4. Next Meeting – 12 October 2021, 7 to 8 pm, via ZOOM

- The meeting time was discussed and the group agreed to trial a start time of 7pm

Meeting was adjourned: 6:58 pm