

Agenda
Sperling PAC Executive Meeting
January 11, 2005
6:30 pm to 8 pm

A Very Happy New Year to Everyone

Announcements

Congratulations and thank you to Carolyn Sluis for her work in getting the walking sidewalk underway.

The PAC thanks Veronica Tsang, Karen Hum, Yvonne Chand and the many volunteers who helped make Christmas crafts a success.

An updated PAC Classroom Parent Rep list is attached.

The next Hot Lunch will be Wednesday January 19, 2005.

The Coalition of Community Agencies is featuring a presentation by Dr. Gordon Neufeld on January 11, 2005 from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. at the Michael J. Fox Theatre. The goal of the evening is to show support for parents, identify community resources and link parents and resources. Dr. Neufeld is a Vancouver-based developmental psychologist and co-author of the book "How to hold on to your kids: why parents matter". He will be speaking about the importance of the attachment between parent and child. The cost is \$5.00/person (cash at the door). Parents need to register by January 7, 2005. Please phone the Burnaby Family Life Institute at 604-659-2200.

There was a meeting on December 14 at the School Board office to discuss the revised long-term plan for FI in Burnaby. Elena Hutchinson made a 10 minute presentation at the meeting. There is now another revised plan being presented in relation to Seaforth School.

The Educacentre is offering French for Parents Workshops in January at Educacentre on Laurel St and Ecole Anne-Hebert. For information and registration 1-866-266-6613 or frenchfor parents@educacentre.com

For Discussion

Sports Boxes – JR Westgate & Karen Hum

An update on the sports equipment

Computers – JR Westgate

An update on the response from letters regarding software sent to teachers.

Digital Camera – Tony Wong

An update on the school's digital camera.

Budget – Bettina Charpentier

We have received \$177.76 from DPAC that may be used for parent education, parent communication, parent support and recognition, parent committee operations.

Constitution – Wanda Pierson

The constitution has been distributed with some changes that need to be agreed upon. Are there other changes? Can we take this forward to the General Meeting on January 18, 2005?

Request from Burnaby North – Wanda Pierson

The parents of the Grade 12 graduating class of 2005 are assisting in the organization of a "Dry Grad". They are asking for donations from all Burnaby North feeder schools. Would we like to send in a donation?

Emergency Preparedness – Wanda Pierson & Luba Banuke

It is time to update the emergency boxes in each classroom. Do we want to include comfort kits in the boxes? These kits generally contain a family picture and a letter for the child written by the parent that can be read while the child is waiting for the parent to arrive.

Writing Workshop – Wanda Pierson & Karen Dalla-Tina

Karen has received information from Bev regarding the cost. It is suggested that the cost for 30 children would be \$1600 providing a teacher is also present to assist Bev Rempel.

Parking and Safety Committee – Carolyn Sluis

An update on the walking sidewalk project.

Web Report – Tony Wong

There is now a counter on the web page so that the number of "hits" may be monitored.

CPF – Coreen Moroziuk/Karen Dalla-Tina**SPC Report –****DPAC Report –****Emergency Prep & Speakers –**