

Ecole Sperling School
PAC Executive Meeting
Minutes
Tuesday, February 15, 2005

In attendance:	Wanda Pierson	Chair
	Iva Vincalek	Vice-Chair
	Luba Banuke	Principal
	Bettina Charpentier	Treasurer
	Carolyn Sluis	Parking & Safety
	Pat Ratcliffe	Secretary
	Sajeeda Kassam	

Regrets:	J.R. Westgate	Past Chair
	Dena Domijan	Head Teacher
	Karen Hum	Fund Raising & Hot Lunch
	Yvonne Chand	Fund Raising
	Coreen Morozuik	CPF – Treasurer
	Tony Wong	Website Designer

1. Call to Order:

Chairperson Wanda Pierson called the meeting to order at 6:40 pm.

2. Announcements:

“The next hot lunch will be Friday, February 18, 2005.

The PAC Constitution has been posted on the Website.

The Children Identification Program will be taking place on Wednesday, February 23. Forms to parents have already gone out. Luba advised she will organize Grade 7 volunteers to bring the children to and from classes.

Aubrey PAC is hosting Diane Gossen on Tuesday, March 1 from 7pm – 8:30pm. She will be presenting about Restitution and Parenting. The registration form is on the PAC bulletin board. This is a free presentation but registration is required.”

3. School Photographs:

Concerns were voiced regarding the quality of school photographs. We will look into alternate photographers for next year.

4. Budget:

Bettina presented the budget to date. There were no items that required discussion.

5. Emergency Preparedness:

The water in the kiosk was changed in September.

Backpacks and supplies will be purchased by Wanda for the additional class and for the portable.

To keep the backpacks as light as possible, they will be cleaned up to ensure that there is only the required number of supplies to meet class numbers. Kindergarten classes will require supplies for 22 children +1 for the teacher; primary classes will have 24+ 1 for the teacher and intermediate classes will have 31 +1 for the teacher.

Luba advised that Sperling has been approached to see if they would like to purchase latrine tents for \$125 each. Pat moved that we purchase 2 tents. Bettina seconded the motion and it was carried.

Pat will investigate the cost of canopy tents for shelter.

Luba will ask the schoolboard to supply & install hooks for the backpack at the exit to each classroom so teachers can easily access their backpacks in case of emergency.

Carolyn Sluis is working on a parent handbook next September that will provide information about Ecole Sperling School.

6. Music Room:

The yellow bins that presently hold the backpack in each class will be given to Ms Daum/Music room to store percussion equipment. \$2,500 will be made available to Ms. Daum to purchase music room equipment.

7. Parking & Safety:

Carolyn Sluis provided the Parking & Safety report. Bill Lowry from Burnaby Engineering visited the school and will have a "School Zone" sign installed on the Hycrest side of the school. He is also going to increase the "No Parking" area on the Hycrest side to allow for easier traffic flow.

Karen Hum has sourced sandwich boards for \$30 each that have slots for signs which are \$19 each. \$450 is available in the Parking & Safety budget. It was decided that 5 boards and 10 signs will be purchased. Carolyn and Karen will work on what the signs will say.

Officer Kilpatrick has suggested to Carolyn that a brochure be made that can be handed to parents to explain the walking sidewalk. Carolyn is proceeding with brochure.

8. CPF Report:

"CPF is in need of volunteers for March 1 to assist at the French Film Festival. Please let Karen Dalla-Tina know at mklang@telus.net or Helen Singbeil at dsingbeil@telus.net if you are available to assist. Helen may also be reached at (604)433-0986.

9. Fund Raising

"Millenium March forms will go home Monday, February 21 and due back by Wednesday

March 9. The format will remain the same as last year (lump sum donations – no per lap pledges). Karen will speak with Mme. Banuke about March 11 being a School Spirit Day and encouraging the kids to dress in school colours. She will also discuss with Mme. Banuke and Mr. Snow the possibility of having 2 warm-up sessions (primary and intermediate) in the gym prior to the start of the walkathon.”

10. Guest Speaker:

Iva has been in contact with “Judi the Manners Lady” to be a guest speaker at Sperling. Cost for one day is \$950. She can present twice: once to the primary grades and again to the intermediate grades. The price would be \$1,200 if an evening talk for the parents was added.

Iva will discuss a convenient date with Luba. Iva will ask Judi to lean her presentation to our “inclusion” goal and combine the topics of “Healthy Relationships” and “Dealing with Bullying”. There will not be an evening presentation.

11. DPAC Report:

A summary of the 2004 Member resolutions of BCCPAC was distributed by Wanda.

“BCCPAC Spring Conference and Annual General Meeting will be held May 12 to May 15. The conference is May 12 and May 13 and the AGM is May 14 and May 15. The conference will be held at the Hilton Vancouver Metrotown in Burnaby. The theme is “The Power of Our Vision”.

BC Coalition for School Libraries is seeking membership. A membership form can be found at <http://bccsl.ca/members.htm>.”

12. Adjournment:

The meeting was adjourned at 8:10pm.