

## **Ecole Îtliq̓ Parent Advisory Council (PAC)**

### **Meeting Agenda**

**April 12, 2023**

**7 pm - Google Meet and in person**

**In attendance: Annie, Graham, Jason**

**Regrets: Wendy L, Tania, Amanda, Jocelyn**

1. Welcome and approval of agenda

2. Introductions

3. PAC Initiatives

a. Inclusive Safe Schools

b. Outdoors Committee

- Damage to the wall tent? Wendy needs a photo of the damage so that she can organize repair, as well as the dimensions of the tent
- Use has dropped off after shingles were burnt on the inside
- Possibility of a trail camera as a deterrent
- Appears that very few teachers are using the wall tent - how can we support more teachers to do this? Many of the staff who previously received training have since moved on. PAC can support mentorship by volunteers, or formal training if there is an interest
- Is there any move to reinstate the 0.5 CEPA position? Without a teacher champion, it seems like the amount of outdoor learning time has decreased
- Not clear how this position was funded in the past - it is a non-enrolling position, similar to a PST, and is not accounted for with the current funding formula

c. Plant Sale and Seed Sale

- Plant sale will be June 3, 10:00-12:00 - will need at least 5 volunteers to run
- Jocelyn is coordinating with teachers who have volunteered to start seedlings next week, transplanting will happen in May
- Any donations of seedlings or plants from families would be welcome!

d. Arts

- Tania will be picking up the wooden fish from the high school this week
- Connect with Mme Jessica

e. Teacher Appreciation

- Amanda has offered to coordinate this again - thanks Amanda!
- Likely June 5, will confirm at next meeting

f. Subway lunches

g. Communications

4. Principal's Report

- \$41,000
- New grade 3 teacher
- Mme Emma working with emerging readers in grade 1 in the morning, covering phys ed in the afternoon, only here until May 19th
- 30-50 kids accessing the breakfast program each morning, school has adequate funding until the end of the year
- 50+ kids attending Rainbow Club, dance coming up at the end of the week
- PBIS - next lightning challenge is speaking French in the halls
- Wall tent vandalized - will plan to leave unlocked to see if that decreases amount of vandalism, could remove the canvas and stove over the summer
- Camp de Neige went well
- Grade 1s doing a bottle drive to support replanting tamarack trees damaged during construction - dead trees will come down this summer - PAC could match their fundraising
- CasCom coming next week to discuss weather station installation, won't charge the school monitoring fees
- No school April 28 - teachers will be learning about new curriculum in the morning and Indigenous culture in the afternoon
- Spring Concert date changed to May 17
- Multicultural day still scheduled for May 28, may change depending on Hay River track meet
- End of year field trips - \$250 per class x 15 classes = \$3750  
ACTION ITEM: Annie will send out an e-vote to approve this cost.

5. Trustee's Report

- Bussing a hot topic - waiting on a meeting with board chairs, superintendents and new company that has taken over First Transit
- Discussed changes to the Education Act - want school boards to take on bussing and some other items, some will be brought forward at public meeting
- Would have to work with other school boards in YK to coordinate buses, would be an enormous task
- Small surplus in this year's budget
- Ratepayer's meeting is April 24, on board calendar, finance committee and rest of board will go over the budget, virtual option available
- Negotiations ongoing with union representatives (UNW)

6. Topics for discussion

- a. Tea and Bannock - keep on agenda for next meeting
- b. Breakfast program volunteer coordination

7. Date of next meeting - May 24, 7:00 pm.