



**MONTROYAL ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
PARENT ADVISORY COUNCIL**

MEETING MINUTES: October 6, 2021 - 7:00
PM

Date: October 6, 2021

Time: 7:00 pm

Location: Virtual Zoom Meeting

- Call to Order – T. Ross (Vice-Chair) called meeting to order at 7:02 pm
- Establish quorum – Quorum established
- Approval of agenda – T. Ross asks if there is approval of the Agenda, H. Choi motions, C. Campbell seconds, Agenda approved.
- Vice Chair Update (5 min)
 - T. Ross provides an update on filling PAC positions
 - T. Ross refers to Principal update
- Principal Update (10 min) – D. Beveridge
 - Covid – Currently staying with most protocols from last year; classes staying together, not mixing; deep cleans taking place in the evening, but not during lunch break; latest mask mandate is new and caught them all by surprise, have asked parents to contact teachers if they have questions.
 - Afterschool Care – Currently in discussions with the District of North Vancouver to develop a 2 day / week contract (e.g., Mondays and Wednesdays); will be speaking again with the District rep in the next few days to hopefully finalize the contract; just looking at a few things such as Covid protocols and approach to communication before can launch; hoping to launch by Oct 18th for grades 1 – 5.
 - Class Update – 249 kids, 11 classes, no kids in transition programs this year; 7 combined classes and 7 single grade classes. Parents will be receiving an invite soon to attend parent / teacher conferences, may be like what happened last year; still a limited number of visitors that can come into the building.
 - School Update – The gym is closer to being completed. Vents in the classrooms have been updated and are operating. Will take a bit for the levels to balance across all classrooms.



**MONTROYAL ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
PARENT ADVISORY COUNCIL**

MEETING MINUTES: October 6, 2021 - 7:00
PM

- School Planning – Will be looking fore more people to be involved in School Planning; the meeting will be virtual. It is a way to look forward and stay connected to the community. More information to come.
- Tech update – E. Vandekerkhove
 - Have just renewed IXL subscription and will be communicating to parents. Teachers will be giving out passwords and usernames.
 - Hoping to roll out program that includes a small set of Ipads for each classroom (~5 per class). D. Beveridge adds that they are working with District plan and looking at how they can augment it. Will come back with more information soon and looking for support from the MPAC.
- School Photos - Photos coming up on Oct 20th, will be same protocols as last year to ensure physical distancing. Attending parent asks whether kids can wear accessories like unicorn ears; D. Beveridge indicates that parents should follow-up with teachers as it will impact the group photo.
- Vaccine Update – The vaccines that didn't happen last year will be coming up in the next few months, more information to come (e.g., HPV, etc.). Will impact grade 6 and 7 only.
- General – Kids have been using the sign out system for equipment and it is going well. The equipment was a legacy gift from last years grade 7 class.
- Voting New Position Nominees /Candidates for 2021/2022 Term (2 min):
 - Chair: Greg Foster – all agree
 - Treasurer: Doug Allan – all agree
 - Secretary: Stacey Thomas – all agree
- Treasurer update (by outgoing Treasurer) (5 min) – Y. Yang
 - Outgoing Treasurer indicates that the budget is carrying forward from last year (budget posted to website)
 - In this last month there have been limited expenses, but currently working through hotlunch refunds from 2020.
- Other PAC Executive updates (5 min)
 - DPAC Update (via e-mail from C. Cave)



**MONTROYAL ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
PARENT ADVISORY COUNCIL**

MEETING MINUTES: October 6, 2021 - 7:00
PM

- MPAC DPAC fee has been paid.
- There is an upcoming course on ADHD and Dyslexia starting October 25th
<https://www.eventbrite.ca/e/adhd-5-week-seminar-starting-oct-25th-facilitated-by-dr-michelle-francis-tickets-185452592697?aff=eand&fbclid=IwAR2-WiL5GbU8xO6kqjBlaU4nFox1MSILRZtuVZEoz5gzm34mpB84flg8ewE>
- The presentation to North Vancouver DPAC by BCPAC President is October 27th <https://bccpac.bc.ca/index.php/8-events/1050-dpac-sd44>
- Regarding gaming Funds: from BCPAC website - DPACs/PACs have not yet rec'd funds for this year, but no need for alarm. The funds are not at risk and will be distributed shortly by second to third week of Oct. Gaming Branch is aware of the issues this may cause.

- Events – Irene Reid will be co-chairing the Events Committee with Christine. They have a few great ideas that they are hoping to organize in the spring if restrictions are lifted. Asks for ideas from broader parent population.

- Committees Update (if present) (5 min)
 - Programs – The new Programs Chair provided an update that the committee is supportive of bringing back the afterschool club. The committee has been contacted by several vendors that are interested in offering programs, but their priority is the afterschool club. Covid protocols will dictate what else they can do this year.

- General Questions (10 min)
 - Y. Yang asks about whether the District will be mandating the vaccine passport for afterschool care workers? D. Beveridge responds that he hasn't heard anything yet that vaccine status will be mandatory. The last update he read was Oct 1st and nothing indicated that there will be a vaccine status requirement. D. Beveridge adds that with regards to afterschool care, they will be adhering to COVID protocols and this is one of the reasons why space will be limited.



**MONTROYAL ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
PARENT ADVISORY COUNCIL**

MEETING MINUTES: October 6, 2021 - 7:00
PM

- Y. Yang asks about the classroom ventilation and whether they are all working? D. Beveridge indicates that yes, they are all running in the classrooms, just not the gym.
- Y. Yang indicates that he has put a CO2 monitor in the school and in the past, it has been on the high side and will be doing a follow-up check now that the ventilation is operational. D. Beveridge indicates that the HVAC system is running according to the appropriate standards and the filters will be cleaned regularly. Y. Yang asks if it possible to see a report on what the levels are? D. Beveridge adds that the levels/standards should also be checked with the ministry of education, but he will see if he can put Yi in contact with someone.
- Attending parent asks what the next steps are for the afterschool club? D. Beveridge responds that he is meeting with the District again on Oct 7th; he wants to make sure that all covid protocols are followed as well as he wants to make sure the communication goes out and registration is inclusive (i.e., wants to make sure that no parent feels that they didn't have a chance to register).
- Adjourn – 7:33 pm

Next Meeting: November 3rd, 2021 at 7 pm