Colquitz Middle School – PAC Meeting Minutes November 20th, 2018

Called to order by Nicole 6:58pm

Members in Attendance: Gord Mitchell, Whitney D, Jeni M, Dani W. Jen M, Deanna B, Christine S, Moira C, Diana M

Principal's Report

- Fire alarm has been pulled twice in the past 2 days and for the third time this year so the fire drill for tomorrow has been cancelled. Gord is looking into getting a screecher box & working with the district. The fire dept. hasn't charged the school yet. Students are encouraged to talk to Gord if they are feeling concerned.
- Medical distress incident happened today & Gord accompanied the student in the ambulance to the hospital.
- Nov 21 is the last day of the current enrichment cycle. Next cycle will start after winter break.
- Curriculum Completion day is on Monday, November 26th.
- If you are not receiving the Colquitz weekly notes, please contact the office.
- Basketball season is underway and going well.
- Santa's Closet is coming up. The school is asking for new or gently used items (& wrapping paper etc) for low income students to 'shop' (last year approx. 24 students took part). Students are discretely chosen by staff of the school.
- Pancake breakfast is on Dec 21st. Parent volunteers are needed.

Financial Update

- Parent donation account has been sorted out and there is approx \$3600
- Next deadline for funding requests will be in January with approx \$5000 to spend.
- System is in place for teacher requests. Staff with approved requests have been notified.
- BCCPAC membership has been paid for.

Fundraising

- Thrifty Smile cards have arrived
- Epicure
 - PAC would get 40% with no minimum sale
 - 3 choices \$20 Email Dani if you'd like to order something separate.
 - Not set up for online orders, cheques would be written to the Epicure Rep., Head office will then write a cheque to the PAC
- Paint Night is still an option; Moira & Gord are looking for an instructor.
- Harbourcats & Western Speedway are possible options as well.
- PAC is open to other ideas as well

Speaker/Parent Ed

- Shelley Moore is a speaker in Inclusive Education. She has agreed to come speak for Colquitz on Monday, January 14th. Approx 200 seats at Spectrum.
 - Spectrum Family of School students will be the first to be offered tickets at no cost through Eventbrite. Limit of 2 tickets per person.
 - Funds from Parent Ed grant will be used.

VCPAC

- Van Island parent conference speakers have been approved & are posted on the VCPAC website. Conference will be held at Belmont
- School District 61 catchment survey has been sent out. If you have any questions, please contact Gord or the School District.

Opens

- Spectrum rink has formed a committee looking into rink/turf
- There have been a few occasions of students not behaving at the public transit bus stops and walking into the cross-walk, throwing balls into traffic etc. -Gord will be sending an email home to parents asking them to speak with their children about safety.

Motions

- Moira moves to approve Oct. Minutes, Deanna seconds, all in favour
- Jeni motions to adjourn, Tracey seconds, all in favour

Next meeting is January 15th Meeting adjourned @ 8:40pm