**DANIEL WOOWARD ELEMENTARY**

**PARENT ADVISORY COUNCIL MEETING**

Date: March 3, 2025

Time: 6:30pm

Location: In- Person
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**ATTENDEES:**

Mr. Sala (Principal), Kevin L (Co-Chair), Cindy K (Treasurer), Catherine, Cindy Huang, Joanne Wong, Chris Muche, Robyn Mcconnell, Andrei Sala, Gina Mahil (Chair)

Regrets: Lori T (Secretary)

Meeting called to order at 6:38pm

**PRINCIPAL’S REPORT:**

School Spirit Days

* Pink Shirt Day – relevant to share why there is Rainbow Crosswalk. Ms Sato & school applied for grant and discussed meaning behind Rainbow Crosswalk. Spoke about Bullying & different roles of Bullying
* Student leaders to brainstorm and organize (promote) Spirit Day themes for Spring Term (Ms. Rough supporting)
* Updating pictures at the front of school. Please come take a look when you are visiting the school

Learning Updates Term 2

* Parent/Teacher Conferences
	+ Parents to receive updates in Literacy, Numeracy and Social/Emotional learning
* Written Learning Update # 2 – published on MyEd on **April 25 .** teachers discussing proficiency scale.

Upcoming Performances, Opportunities and Outdoor Education

* March 5 – iLumiDance (Thomas Kidd Elementary joining us – Woodward Connects) @ 1:15 pm
* April 9 – 11 – Service Learning (Richmond Christian) 14 Grade 12 students to work at Woodward. Possibly 2 days of Phys Ed (track) and 1 day for volunteer in classrooms. Woodward students doing service learning at Rosewood Manor. Woodward students share a life lesson with granpals.
* April 28 – (tentative date) Band Concert (in school, Thomas Kidd band students invited to attend)
* May 17 – Camp Jubilee, Full day Outdoor Ed (Gr. 5 – 7)
* May (tba) – Track and Field at Minoru (Grades 4 – 7). Date will be announced after spring break

Student Learning Survey

* Your voice is needed and appreciated!
* Get an idea of school experience from a parent’s perspective
* Hoping to get parent’s feedback on how your child is learning

School Story

* FESL – Framework for Enhancing Student Learning
* Growth Mindset Student survey share K-2 group and Gr 3-7. What is working and how can the school improve. Principal & teachers create the questions for survey

Sports

* Running Club - Tuesday & Thursday
* Basketball
	+ Successful basketball season this year. Winning more this year than last year.
	+ Tournament on March 10 & 11 during school hours. Past years tourney was after school hours. Awards ceremony at 4pm March 11.
	+ Wonderful family support
* Track and Field (Spring Term) for Gr 4-7

Spring Break

* Last day of school is Friday, March 14th.
* First day back is Monday, March 31

**Treasurer’s Report**

* Update on finances
* Jan 2025 financials distributed and reviewed
* Andrei inquiring about ‘wish list’. Usually in Sept teachers would be asked what they would like or need. For example, a few years ago, Ipads were purchased by the PAC and Electronic scoreboard and repairs to the band instruments. Need to spend the gaming grants otherwise, we won’t receive the grant if not spending it.

**Old Business**

* **Art Card fundraiser revenue** - $426.37 – possibility of doing different theme next year if we do the Art card fundraiser. Start in early Sept to allow for more time to do the art & ordering of the art. Lot of administration of work co-ordinating and collecting the art from the teachers and sending to vendor.
* **2025 Richmond Community Celebration Grant Program -** Kevin submitted. By may/June the results if grant has been provided. $2000 for your event. June 2025 – December 2025 event. Building community outside the school. Possibly invite Kingswood & Kidd & Woodward event. At Currie, there was activities, ordered pizza & intro staff & entertainment of magician & city councilors. Possibly Event - Meet the teachers first & then do outdoor movie in September. Woodward has outdoor screen to use. Kevin suggested Take inventory of PAC assets.
* **Grade 7 Graduation** – Andrei reserved school for June 20th for graduation. Wed/ Thurs before June 20th is booked off until end of school year. So Grad committee can use the gym. Grad committee needs to book the gym themselves. Staff do not need to be in attendance. Rent an on-call custodian for $20/hr for min of 4 hours.

**Hot Lunch dates**

* Hot lunch - Possibly do May 2nd for hot lunch & concession
* No May date because Spring Fair is in May 30th
* June 6th (sports day) – booster juice & pizza & concession
* Chris M to look into a new Concession lunch vendor
* Andrei agreed with PAC to bring back the Concession for the upcoming (not March) hot lunch dates

**Spring Fair:**

* 2 volunteers came forward to help – Arlene & Robyn for the sustainable prize committee
* Volunteer Committee – end of April – start recruiting volunteers. Chris M. volunteer
* Raffle Prizes – Gina sent a letter to all potential vendors.
* Classroom baskets for raffle – letter to go out March 8/9. Need to submit total amount of the raffle prizes of the gaming grant.
* Think about donations to the Food Bank at the Spring Fair
* Student leaders to assist with the food donations to spring fair. Possibly as incentive for extra tickets at spring fair.
* Food donations in June – Andrei to discuss with student council
* 2 new games per year by Kevin or even possibly sourcing out new games on Amazon.
* Cakewalk - no point changing the name of the game and using the same game. Come up with a completely diff game. Can’t really do musical chairs because it evolved from Cake Walk

**Open floor**

* Spirit wear will not be happening this year. Maybe next year
* Kevin asked if there are any school events that require PAC support. Andrei to look into this
* Rent the gym for a craft fair – free of charge for the rental of own gym for the PAC.
* Basket raffle – separate draw and people have to be present to win. Sell tix day of. Is this a separate gaming license?
* Just Dance – school wide PAC funded event
* Treasurer to send an email by April/May to teachers about field trip subsidy & expense

**Meeting Adjourned** – 8:38 pm

**Next Meeting Date**: Monday, April 7 2025 @ 6:30pm – on Teams