APE des Grands-Cedres

Minutes 6 October 2021

Members Present:

Brian Callendar

Stephanie Belle Coulson

Tatiana Tordoya

Eric Body

Marie-Pascale Addison

Hakon Askerhaug

Zem Tran

Meeting called to order at 6:30pm by Brian – President.

Adoption of meeting minutes from September as read. Motion to adopt by Hakon, second by Zem. Adopted.

Adoption of agenda for this meeting. Motion to adopt by Zem, second by Hakon. Adopted. No additions.

1. Principal's Report – Marie Pascale

Welcome to all parents.

In the spirit of reconciliation, I would like to acknowledge that our school is located on the traditional territory of the Nuu-Chah-Nulth Nation.

1) Last month's Highlight.

- A. New EA, M. Jonathan started September 11th. Specialized in Special needs, he is also providing support to our designated students. He is in charge of Speech therapy as well which sessions will start in October.
- B. HW Club started Sept 29th and we have 25 students!!! M. Jonathan is in charge of K-2 and I am in charge of Gr 3-7.
- C. Dance classes with Elite Dance Studio. Great instructor by the name of Ms. Olivia who is starting to work on choreography for the recital.
- D. Terry Fox Run on Sept 24th. Thank you for all the generous donation as l'ÉGC raised 500\$ this year!!! (The initial target was 150\$)

E. Truth and Reconciliation Week was also highlighted with the presence of a special guest Mr. Wally Samuel who was a former student in the residential school in Port Alberni. He came on Oct 1 for the Orange Shirt Day and talked to our students about his experience being taken away from his family at 8 years old.

2) Events this month will include:

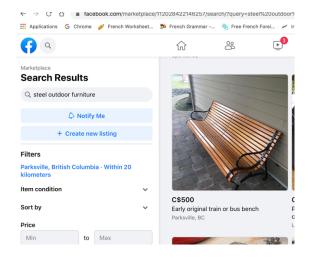
11 oct	Thanksgiving (NO SCHOOL-HOLIDAY)
21 Oct	Great Shake Out (Earthquake Drill)
22 Oct	Provincial Professional Development Day (No School)
29 Oct	Halloween
1-10 Nov	foundation skills assessment (FSA) reading, writing, numeracy for Gr 4 &7

- **3)** Hot lunches can be served at ÉGC if they are prepared and served by a Food Safe certified person.
- 4) The Quebec trip is on hold for now, as CSF is not allowing any traveling outside of BC. Only nature field trips locally are allowed at this time.

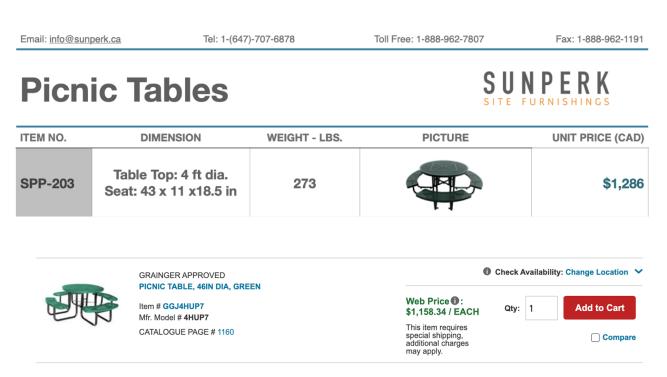
5) Strong Start Program

L'ÉGC is still looking for an early year certified French speaking educator! We have a candidate from France who is interested, but she is without a work permit at this time. CSF HR is reaching out to her to see if she can obtain a work visa.

- 6) Fresh to You order forms will be sent to families this week, and deadline for orders will be Oct 29, & payments Nov 1. The school will also receive fruits and vegetable to serve to our students. The school principal is now certified with Food Safe BC!!!
- 7) The APÉ is looking for benches, and there is one right now in Parksville on FB Market Place:



When shared this idea with the staff, most teachers were hoping to get a large picnic table. If we want something to withstand the weather, we could look at heavy-duty steel picnic table that is durable. The model below shows tabletop, as well as the seats, are made of perforated steel materials for enhanced strength and durability. 2 companies SUNPERK & GRAINGER featured below model and prices.



8) Mount Washington Ski Trip is being organized. Trip date: February 17th. Will need one bus paid by parents. More info soon!

- 2. Treasurer's Report
 - a. Ready by Eric as new Treasurer,
 - i. Main account balance is \$12 244.20
 - ii. Cash Balance Balance is \$849.55
 - iii. Gaming account Balance is \$3101.09
 - 1. Total of \$6031.30 for use
- 3. Christmas Fair/Painting class (fundraiser proposals), Tatiana will look into the painting class fundraiser.
- 4. Tabled from previous meetings:
 - a. Movie night committee On hold due to Covid
 - i. Still on hold, doesn't seem to be a good way to do this with covid at the moment
 - b. Possible socially distant car wash on hold due to covid, (next Spring)
 - i. Also on hold
 - c. Addition of Benches and covered area to playground we are looking the option of getting the bench and the picnic table proposed by Madame Marie Pascal.
 - d. Hot Lunches, there are two ways to address; restaurant or a parent committee. Still looking witch one will be more feasible.
 - e. Fundraising T-shirts, hoodies, hats. Joint with Cloud City?
 - i. Steph will check in with Janine to see if she's interested in doing this. Alternately could work with JAL if Janine doesn't want to this year
 - f. Note on fundraising we always welcome any and all fundraisers. The person who spearheads the fundraiser gets to decide what the funds get allotted to/spent on. Please bring any and all ideas!

Meeting adjourned at 7:34pm

Next meeting is November 3rd at 6:30pm on Zoom. Invite will be sent out closer to the time.

Merci!