



## **APE des Grands-Cèdres**

### **January 10th, 2024 Meeting Minutes**

#### ***Board of Directors APE des Grands-Cèdres 2022 - 2023***

President: Brian Callender

Vice-President: Stephanie Belle Coulson

Treasure: Eric Bondy

Secretary: Tatiana Tordoya

Meeting called to order at 7:00 pm by Stephanie Coulson.

Members present:

Stephanie Coulson, Tatiana Tordoya Melgares, Eric Bondy, Giem Tran, Ève-Lyne Gauthier & Marie-Pascale Addison

Excused: Brian Callender

#### **1) Principal's report**

Welcome to all parents.

We would like to acknowledge that the land on which our school is located is on the traditional territory of the Hupačasath and Tseshah First Nations, and part of the Nuuchah-Nulth community.

#### **1) HEALTH & SAFETY**

The school continues to focus on communicable disease prevention.

à The next emergency drill will be on Friday January 12th for a fire drill.

## 2) EVENTS LAST MONTH:

### a. Dec 6 Report Cards Term 1

Parent teacher conferences on Dec. 8 & 11.

Booking was a challenge for the teachers AND the parents. We will resolve the issue next time.

### b. Winter Wonderland on Monday December 18th.

c. The December 21 Family Potluck. Thank you to the APÉ for paying half of the tourtières & Shepherd's pies. Leftovers are frozen and will be used for a future hot lunch. Thank you to all the parents and the APÉ for organizing the raffle baskets, and for helping with set up, cleaning, and potluck.

d. December 22 was the last day of school 2023, and we had our general assembly for Nov/Dec.

## 3) EVENTS THIS MONTH:

a. First Day Back to School & Battery issues with the buses in the morning.

b. Despite teachers being sick, we managed to keep instruction going thanks to our new supply teacher, Mme Alexandra, who is terrific.

c. The school will be offering intramurals during lunchtime in the gym Tuesdays & Thursdays, starting on January 18th. Ms Karli Gibson, PE teacher at ADSS, is volunteering and has planned for January:

Week one - soccer

Week 2 - kin ball games

Week 3 - hockey (3-7) and minor games (M-2)

d. Homework Club has started today. A reminder that Mme Maria Laura and M. Sebastien do not teach during HW Club. They supervise and help students with their HW. Reviewing words for a dictée requires repetition at home, and a once-a-week study session does not guarantee successful results. Students need to review each night with the help of a parent, if needed, to do well on the weekly dictée.

e. The cooking classes with Chef Sylvain resume this Friday with Mme Vanessa's 2nd group, and on the menu, they will serve Potato chowder with corn bread.

f. On January 18th, Soccer club for Gr 4-7 will resume on Thursdays with M. Sebastian (2:40-3:50).

g. Students will receive their Interim Progress Report on February 1

h. Mount Washington should still happen on Friday, February 9th this year.

i. Lastly, we would like to inform parents that teachers will forward any missing work to a student who is home sick for a long period of time (When requested by the parent), but teachers are not able to provide schoolwork ahead of time when families go away on long pleasure trips. Although teachers plan weekly lessons, the planning and classwork can change, depending on several factors, and it's hard to anticipate in advance. The best activities your child can practice while you are away can be reading, and Math problem solving.

#### 4) FUNDRAISING FOR THE SCHOOL LIBRARY: (With the help of Ashleigh Lockhart)

For your information and if our school is interested (and this can be done in collaboration with your school's APÉ), here are 2 grants available:

The Indigo Love of Reading Foundation's Literacy Fund offers grants for the purchase of books. Nominations are now open for 2024.

For more information: <https://www.indigoloveofreading.org/fr/subventions/subvention-du-fonds-pour-la-litteratie/>

Deadline for applications: January 14, 2024.

The Canada Post Community Foundation also offers grants for projects of up to \$5,000. Example projects: library supplies. <https://www.canadapost-postescanada.ca/scp/fr/notre-entreprise/investir-dans-nos-collectivites/fondation-communautaire-de-postes-canada/demande-de-subvention-de-la-fondation-communautaire.page>

Call for applications: February 12, 2024

Application deadline: March 1, 2024 at noon (ET)

#### 5) Next APÉ meeting is: Feb 7th , 2024 at 7PM