

Holly Elementary PAC

General Meeting

November 20th, 2019

Attendance:

Kristy Takeuchi (Vice chair), Rebecca Cox, Sabjit Sidhu, Karli Ryan, Nicole Davis, Sunjeet Gill, Ying Shen, Julia Mellish, Alison Day, Erica Ediger (treasurer), Susan Stockill (teacher representative), Shannon Dattilo (Co-chair), Amanda Keulen (Co-chair), Pamela Hulan (Secretary), and Keri Hanlon (Principal).

Welcome and Introductions:

- The agenda for this meeting is approved.
- The minutes from October's meeting were approved.

Principal's Report:

- The Christmas market was successful, no numbers yet.
- Cell phone use in the school is too high; the school's policy is that phones must be turned off while school is in session. Teachers will use discretion when allowing students to use phones while in class (grade 7 students may have permission). A new policy is being taken into consideration, which is "no phones on site". Mrs. Hanlon is looking for comments on this policy. She is open to parent feedback. A suggestion was a 3 strike rule for students; also, an electronic form for parents to sign/approve on Parent Connect.

Teacher's Report:

- This term's report cards are on the way.
- We have 2 new teachers on call here at Holly.
- Grade 6 and 7 students will not be participating in this year's Christmas concert, they are however responsible for the set up and tech for the concert.
- Grade 7 students will be performing in the spring concert.

DPAC Report:

- School dress code was discussed, there is no official schoolwide dress code in effect.
- Vaping info sessions available, next session is on December 8th at Seaquam school.
- School student identification cards (possibly from birth) is in discussion. This may be a province wide system.

- Code of conduct reports are being collected from all the PACs, pdf version should be submitted to DPAC.
- There are ongoing discussions regarding mental health support for students.

Treasurer's Report:

- General account for the school is in order.
- The front sign for the school will be re-done.

President's Report:

- Thank you all for supporting the Christmas market, we raised approximately \$1400 from bake sale and raffle. Vendor sales were approximately \$1600. We will be requesting feedback from the vendors.
- Pancake breakfast ordering closing November 20th. A sign up sheet will be posted in the office for teacher volunteers. We discussed the possibility of holding a future pancake breakfast during school hours.
- We may be adding more detail for the volunteer tasks posted on sign up genius.
- We have had issues regarding the school parking lot. Parents have been parking in the reserved PAC parking stalls, these are paid parking spots.
- The school round about is not for parking or dropping off. Parents must stay in their vehicles when using the Drop & Go lane, this area is not for parking.
- Parents have reported that unauthorized vehicles have been entering the blocked off part of 61st street. There are cones in place to indicate the closed off portion of this road, please be aware that this area is blocked off for student safety.

New Business:

- The spring fair is rescheduled, the new date is May 8th. The original date conflicted with May days. There will be approximately 100 volunteer spots to fill, we may call upon past Holly students for help. Parent volunteers are the most important element to run this event successfully.
- Holly spirit wear is on the way. Toques are here, and the rest of the clothing will be arriving on Monday November 25th. Help may be requested with sorting and distributing.

Meeting adjourned at 7:53 pm.