

## CEAP PAC MINUTES

March 2, 2017

Meeting called to order at 9:17.

In attendance: Beth (chair), Barbara, Jamie, Karen (member-at-large), Kelly (secretary) & Emma.

Regrets: Don Bold (principal), Shannon (treasurer)

Minutes from February 2, 2017 approved.

### I. Principal Report: None forwarded.

### II. Chair Report:

Reporting on Student Progress: The reporting documents have just been distributed for Term 2. There was further discussion today about the forms and about the process for reviewing student progress (see February minutes for previous discussion). There were ongoing and new concerns and questions.

**Action:** PAC members to email questions and concerns to Beth who will pull together the information and forward it to Don to ask for advice about how to proceed.

#### Homeschool Conferences:

Canadian Homeschoolers conference – Beth watched part of this. The concept seemed good, but the conference organizers underestimated the technical support needed and the site kept crashing.

Education: Next Generation Online conferences – We purchased access to the Spring 2016 conference, therefore CEAP families still have access to it. Emma watched some of their Fall 2016 conference (talks are free for the first 24 hours). Question about whether we would like to put our parent education funds towards purchasing access to the fall conference as well.

**Action:** Emma to send information about the presentations at the fall conference, so we can decide whether or not to purchase access with our funds.

From previous minutes, Fern let Beth know that she could not find the conference she had mentioned at the last meeting.

Internet safety/privacy: School emails typically include all CEAP member addresses in the headers, instead of having them blind-cc'd.

**Action:** Bring forward to next meeting to ask Don about teacher support in this area.

### III. Treasurer Report:

Shannon emailed that there have been no expenditures or deposits since last month, so our bank balance remains the same.

### IV. DPAC (District Parent Advisory Committee): Minutes of the February 2017 DPAC meeting are

not available yet.

## **V. Old Business:**

1. 2017 Adventure Camp: Jaime reviewed the draft itinerary and it was discussed. A few changes were made including switching the Rath Trevor Nature House activity from a squid dissection to their "Night Eyes" activity. An astronomy activity was also suggested.

**Actions:** Beth to contact the Nature House about a change in activity.

Karen to look into a possible expert visitor for star-gazing.

Jaime to send Beth the updated itinerary, then Beth to circulate and ask the teachers to distribute to all CEAP elementary families and remind families that RSVPs are required. Closing date to be determined.

2. Victoria Field Trip – BC Museum: Twenty-nine people have signed up so far (this includes parents and siblings). The trip is on the last Thursday of April (27<sup>th</sup>). A bus with 48 seats will likely be booked.

**Action:** Anyone else interested, please respond to the email sent out by the teachers.

## **VI. New Business:**

1. Spending/Budgeting: The teachers have looked into the time required for the Rocket Science activity and determined it would take 15 to 17 hours of class time to do. There are not enough school hours to do this, so this activity will not happen this spring. Estimated cost of this activity was \$400, and this money will therefore be available for another activity.

**Action:** The PAC would like to approve any new plans for this freed up money.

2. "Girls Fly Too" announcement: There were some concerns and discussion about this announcement.

**Action:** Bring forward to next meeting.

3. Program Options for CEAP Secondary Students: There has been a lot of discussion about the TIDES program which serves approximately half of the high school students in CEAP. Parents would like to hear more information on the variety of programming for the DL students.

**Action:** Beth to let Don know we would like to hear more about this.

4. Elks Camp on Denman Island: There was an advertisement in the local newspaper about a camp for youth and school groups organized and partly funded by the Elks. They will pay for ferry costs. Their camp includes accommodation, cooking facilities, etc. Discussion of this as a possible option for the 2018 Adventure Camp

**Action:** Jaime to look into.

Meeting adjourned at 10:45.

**Next Meeting:** Thursday, April 6, 2017 @ 9:15 in the Qualicum Commons parent lounge.