

Blair PAC Meeting Friday,
April 26th , 2023 8:00 -9:00pm

Meeting Minutes

1) Present

Mrs. Loat	Reinaldo Cheng	Joe D
Susan Deng	Connie Huang	Olivia Yen
Liuchun Yang	Penny Yin	Ellie
Tina	Sarah Zhang	

2) Welcome and Introduction

3) Approval of Agenda. Connie made a motion to approve the agenda. First by Liuchun and Second by Susan.

4) Approval of February^{22nd} 2023 Minutes. Connie made a motion to approve the minutes. First by Susan and Second by Liuchun.

5) Pac Mail update by Penny:

- Richmond District is holding zoom workshop for parents on May 2nd: “Holding on to our kids in digital world” by Dr. Deborah MacNamara.
- District PAC election: May 2nd (vote in person): president, vice president, secretary, treasurer and members in large.

6) Administrative Report by Mrs. Loat:

- Safety for students: after school supervision. There were 2 ding dong ditch situations happened and two persons brought it to Mrs. Loat’s attention. Be respectful to our community!
- Mindfulness workshop: mental health week May 1st-5th
- District opportunities for parents: zoom workshop from Dr. Deborah MacNamara
- Bookfair – Thank you to all volunteers, we are trying to raise over \$4,000
- Garden bed update: planting will commence soon. Due to shifting of planting time, our vegetables and fruits harvest during summer. Family who looks after our garden beds during summer are encouraged to pick and the vegetables and fruits so they won’t be left unused.
- Student learning survey: Gr. 4 and 7 and their parents - complete

- Staffing and school updates 2023-2024:
 - We continue to be full school. 10 divisions.
 - Mrs. Townsend is on maternity leave. Position will be posted in Fall.
 - Ms. Yu (for Mrs. Kusch) is also temporary leaving. Mrs. Jones will be leaving as she is temporary (for Mrs. Townsend).
- Dare: Change in delivery: every other year now
- Technology update: New ipad carts from the district – 4 ipad carts and 1 macbook cart. Funds for ipad carts are allocated to fix our drums.
- Drumming presentation and workshop – May 1st and 2nd. We have a Drumming Fine arts presentation, each class will get two sessions in the gym.
- May 4th: Tract and Field is back! Students have been participating Tract Attack at school three times a week in April. Students can pick the events they want to go.
- Welcome to Kindergarten in person: May 18th 1-2pm(30 new K students)
- Camp Jubilee: May 29 – 31
- Sports Day: June 9th
- SEL focus: Wonderful parents' evening! Please fill out feedback if you attended.
- Learning Highlights Communication- SEL information every 6 weeks
- Sensory Paths – inside (lower fish ball) and outside (K & G1 classroom) from a grant that Ms. Colville our student teacher applied for and received.

7) Treasurer's Report by Reinaldo:

- We are doing well in balances
- Teacher allotments – need invoices from teachers by end of May
- We got some donations – \$835.00 funds are kept at school district
- Grad funds – profits: \$420 crispy crème/ \$328 yoghurt

8) Chair Report by Connie:

- AGM: Connie proposed to have AGM on May 31st instead of June. June meeting will then be cancelled. Connie will set the Pac meeting from 7:30pm. If you wish to nominate anyone or yourself, please email Connie.
- In person or Team meeting for next year? We will talk about it and decide what is best for parent participation.
- We need some new parents! Liuchun suggested Mrs. Loat to send emails to parents to join PAC. For the Chair position, Mrs. Loat suggested that parent to be in PAC for at least a year.
- First two days of book fair (Monday and Tuesday) we have sales \$280 cash + \$1,500.

9) Playground fundraise committee by Susan:

- Easter Purdy's: We made \$2004.50 sales; our profit was \$526.18
- Will email parents to continue returning bottles at Return It Depot to Blair account

- Bottle Drive: 5910 bottles returned with \$546.58!
- Bottle Drive next two weeks May 1st-12th
- Hot dogs for sport day? (Hot lunch Day) Beef dogs/Need to have vegetarian option- will decide soon
- We can sell coffee/hot chocolates/brownie to parents as well to raise some funds for the playground.
- Parents always welcome to make donations 😊

10) Grad Committee Chair Report:

- Decoration idea have been settled
- Balloons have been purchased. Need a lot of volunteers!
- 2 more frozen yogurt Grad fund raisers- May18th and June8th to pay for grad expenses.

11) DPAC by Ellie:

- AGM & Executives
Student and Family affordability funds from Ministry of Education. We can use it to support families to pay for field trips, camps, gift cards for foods and clothes and band instruments.

12) Parents' questions:

Q: How much will it cost to build a new playground?

A: At least \$100,000 (up to\$200,000).

Q: How much we have raised so far?

A: We had \$10,000 reserved in the account.

Q: Burnette has Green Team. Do we have Green Team at Blair?

A: We don't have Green Team. However, some of the things we did with students' leadership are similar to what green team does. It's a good idea to have a green team. We can apply for grant if we have a green team. We will look into that in September.

13) There being no other business, the meeting adjourned at 9:32pm. Next meeting (AGM) on May 31st at 7:30pm on Teams.