

## EWPAC GENERAL MEETING MINUTES | January 11th, 2023 @ 6:30PM

PURPOSE	To host our monthly Edgewood Elementary Parent Advisory Committee meeting
HOST	Edgewood Elementary PAC Executive
LOCATION	ZOOM Meeting link provided at www.edgewoodpac.ca
ATTENDEES	All families or caregivers of children attending Edgewood Elementary

6:30 PM	CALL TO ORDER
6:37 PM	PAC Presidents Update - Volunteer opportunities available each month (ie. Hot Lunch) - Winter fundraisers (Spirit wear \$3400, Purdy's \$1100, Art Cards \$2600) - Cross walk safety (22a/167) city was out recently surveying the area
6:39 PM	School Gardening Club - Presentation Presentation by Michaelyn (slides attached) - Group of teachers at the school to build community, to connect children and adults to the land - Heart Garden - Plan to plant mixture of vegetables and flowers, perennials and annuals - Sweetgrass and Sage - Currently have 6 garden boxes, looking to add 6 more to order through district (\$2383.50) - Need more tools, hose, wagon, watering cans \$720 - Total needed \$3535 - PAC has proposed to donate \$2,000 to the gardening club (will be voted on next meeting in March) - Fundraising is planned to cover the maintenance - Could be added under the gaming grant expense - Families could volunteer to help maintain the garden to build/increase community connections

6:59 PM	<ul> <li>Welcome to Ms. Paredes - Principals Update</li> <li>Letter was sent out about upcoming growth in our school</li> <li>Exponential rate of growth with the developments</li> <li>Will be sharing more updates/information as they come with the PAC and parents</li> <li>Expected date of opending for Ta'talu Jan 2025 (expecting approx 300+ students moving will be shared closer to opening of school)</li> <li>Once Ta'talu opens, we expect 6 new additional portables to be eliminated</li> <li>Divisions have been capped so we know how many teachers are needed, most if not all of positions should be filled by Aug</li> <li>Any students who enrolled to Edgewood as of Jan 2023 are not grandfathered into school</li> <li>Bathroom portable will be installed</li> </ul>
7:25 PM	Fundraising update - Bingo Night <u>Thursday March 9th</u> , End-of-Year Social Events - Hot lunch program will exceed budgeted amount - Will have about \$8k-\$10k surplus in our fundraising goal
7:27 PM	<ul> <li>Hot Lunch - New winter session</li> <li>Subway Vendor Issues January 6th</li> <li>A number of issues including allergy related concern</li> <li>With the size of the program, it is impossible for PAC to check accuracy</li> <li>of orders</li> <li>Vendor was held accountable for mistakes and owner was very apologetic</li> <li>Affect families were refunded</li> <li>We ask parents to educate children, if anything is wrong with their HL order to encourage kids to approach PAC (Mike, Lisa, Erin)</li> </ul>
7:30 PM	Bylaw Change Proposal - Including Hot Lunch as PAC Executive Position - Very important and key role in our largest fundraising program which brings in 50% of our revenue - 1 position which will be open and filled for next school year
Q&A	<ul> <li>Inclusive playground</li> <li>Books and reading: will request Ms Burwash to present her vision/ needs to the library</li> <li>Volunteer hours after school would be available for Bingo Night and End of Year event</li> <li>PAC is not involved for Gr 7 grad planning</li> <li>Edgewood is a feeder school to Grandview HS</li> <li>Spring concert is being discussed with the staff</li> </ul>

7:30PM	ADJOURNED - THANK YOU! Next Exec Meeting is on: March 8th @
	6:30 pm

## THANK YOU FOR ATTENDING!