

South Pointe Parent Advisory Council

March 5th 7:00pm

École South Pointe School

Call meeting to order – 7:02pm

- Attendance – Kavi, Christa, Phil, Lauren, Bonnie, Melanie, Mike
- Regrets – Stephanie, Baba, Kerensa, Ashlyn, Angela

Minutes and Agenda

- Motion to approve the agenda as presented (Lauren, Bonnie)
- Review and adoption of minutes from previous meeting (Bonnie, Lauren)

Principal's and Vice Principals' report

See below

Chair update

- a) Surveys came in for classroom/grade funding requests. Grades can still apply for funding. 6 Applications were received for the recess school activity grants and it was determined that all 6 of these applications would be approved. Shannon was going to remind the teachers the application for this grant.

Finance update

Finance chair was not in attendance.

Fun lunch update

Next lunch is Subway on Friday March 28th.

Fundraising update

A) Movie night:

A few pizza orders have come in, but at the last movie lots of pizza was ordered the day of the movie. Will see if any teachers want to volunteer.

B) Krispy Kreme:

We have 17 orders so far for Krispy Kreme.

Deadline to order is Friday March 7th.

Pick up of donuts will be on March 20th.

On Friday an email will go out to families and staff notifying them that late Krispy Kreme orders will be accepted till midnight on Monday March 10th.

Playgrounds and Projects update

No updates at this meeting. Updates will be provided at April's meeting.

Recruitment update

SPPAC lead was not in attendance.

School Community Events Update

Staff Appreciation

Planning has started for staff appreciation.

Another meeting will be needed to finalize plans before the April SPPAC meeting.

On Thursday March 20th SPPAC will be celebrating staff appreciation by delivering Krispy Kreme donuts to all staff in the afternoon.

New Business and comments from the attendees

South Pointe Graduate scholarship — this is the first year that PTC will have South Pointe graduates and none should be at FRC. Follow up to ensure Vincent Massey and PTC have the scholarship guidelines and guidelines is to also be sent to Shannon Tipping.

Date of next meeting

Wednesday, April 9th – 7:00-8:00pm

Close meeting – 8:24pm

SPPAC Meeting Administrators Report

March 5, 2025

School Updates:

Staffing Changes - Mrs. Fredette started her retirement on Friday. Mme Tracey Dionne is continuing in the Administrative Secretary role. Mme Dionne has worked at Ecole Viscount Alexander for the past ten years and we are excited to have her join our school team.

Kindergarten evening – We had a wonderful Kindergarten evening. There were several families in attendance, and we are starting to get some Kindergarten/maternelle

registrations. Thank you to the SPPAC representatives that were here during the presentation to assist with parent questions.

I Love to Read – Mr. Bychuk, our teacher librarian, organized a wonderful I Love to Read month for students and staff. This included mystery readers, wordle, VIP readers including our school trustees, Cindy Nachtigall and Jasmine Brar, as well as Olympic swimmer Kelsey Wog, Lloyd and intern, our MLA David Pankratz, etc.

Black History Month – As part of our monthly Grade Band Assemblies focusing on kindness and respect, students from Grade 6 and 8 classes shared the importance of Black History Month and highlighted several historical icons. Classes continued with this topic in class projects and discussions.

Festival du Voyageur – Last week we had a week focused on French culture and Festival du Voyageur. French Immersion classes presented musical selections at an assembly, and we had a spirit week where students dressed as voyageurs. Our final activity day was on Friday where students participated in outdoor activities, art and music opportunities, as well as tasted some pancakes. Everyone had a great day!

School Clothing – We have started an online Schooner wear clothing store starting on March 6 until March 21. Everything is online. Purchases will arrive at the school, and we will distribute them. It takes approximately four weeks to receive the merchandise. The link has been shared in the weekly communication messages.

Provincial Announcement – Our school was very fortunate to be part of the provincial announcement regarding a new school for Prairie Pointe. We welcomed several MLAs, the Minister of Education, Trustees and our Superintendent. Members of our school choir were in attendance and were highlighted during the announcement.

Provincial Assessments – Our grade 7/8 students' provincial assessments have been completed and will be sent home to families soon. Families will be receiving a divisional letter regarding the assessments, as well as their child's assessment results.

Upcoming Events:

- **Musical** – March 25 will be our grade 7=8 musical production of Madagascar. Students and staff have been working on preparing this performance for months and we are looking forward to their performance on March 25.
- **K-1 concert** – March 26 our Kindergarten and Grade 1 spring concert will be held in the gym.
- **Immunization for Grade 8** – Grade 8 immunization will be held in May; however, we are asking all of the permission information be sent to the office by March 7.

- **Grade 6-8 Babysitting Course** – There are still spots available in the Grade 6-8 babysitting course that will be held on March 14.
- **March 14 – No Classes** – This will be a professional development day for teachers as they work on preparing report cards and assessment data.
- **Concours d'art oratoire – March 27** – Our French Immersion classes have been preparing for the Concours d'art oratoire that will be held on March 27 at South Pointe. The winners from our school will be continuing in the divisional Concours d'art oratoire that will be held at Ecole Viscount Alexander on April 9.

SPPAC Information:

- **Gym T-shirts** – Mr. Dumond has provided samples of the shirts that he would like to have replaced with the support of SPPAC funds Big Sand Clothing quote is 48-119 Pieces. Cost for microfiber shirts with 1 color, full front blue print and 6" blue numbers on back \$19.50. The next is from Home Run Sports, which we have dealt with for all of our other jerseys and have been very happy with the quality and service. The cost of \$21.75 a shirt. The other company was UniCanada was over \$30 a jersey which the PE team thought was too much. We have also provided a sample.
- **Photos/Yearbook** – We have decided to do sibling photos next year during the time when we have retakes rather than trying to organize another time during this school year. We would also like to explore the possibility of doing a school yearbook next year. How could SPPAC help support?
- **Grade Eight Farewell** – The staff has started to organize the Grade 8 Farewell activities. My understanding is that in the past, SPPAC was able to provide some funds for the farewell.