



MEETING MINUTES

CPF January 14, 2019
Cafenara

In attendance: Sarah Grielens, Katherine Pratt, Carolyn DeFreitas, Seth Downs, Eva Simms, Randy Baryer (PAC chair, EMV), Suzanne Bitzer, Amy Klepetar

Call to Order: 6:38 PM

1. EMV PAC President

- a. CPF had the honour of having the new EMV PAC President, Randy Baryer at our meeting. Introductions were made by all in attendance, and a background of CPF was presented to Randy, including our mandate and vision moving forward as a group.
- b. CPF outlined in further detail how we would be allocating any money requested from EMV PAC for a possible film festival and for concours. Randy will communicate back in February after their next PAC meeting regarding our financial request.

2. French Film Festival

- a. Seth presented. The theatre can only be booked the Sunday and Monday, February 3rd and 4th, from 12pm-5pm on either of those days. The films the theatre is able to get are not what CPF is looking for, plus there may not be support from the schools for this event.
- b. Another option would be to enrol in the Free National Film Board Screening: NFB is offering free DVD film programs, 4 in total, which can be screened for no charge between Mar 1-31st. The programs are designed for various age groups. ACTION: Seth will check if the theatre will show the DVDs, and if so, we will aim for the Friday March 15-noon to 5pm just before spring break to show the NFB films to schools and community. . We will also look at other venues such as Knox, Thornhill JR, College, etc.
- c. Working with AFFNO in regards to Kitimat and Terrace senior students joint project? Anytime after Jan 22, Invite Kitimat to the film showing NFB in March. Patrick from AFFNO will contact Sage and Hannah the youth AFFNO representatives from Mount Elizabeth and Caledonia secondary schools to broach this idea.

3. Socio Economic Grant

- a. Carolyn collected the Skeena Middle School Feedback forms from Drama workshops (Theatre la Siezeme) and given to Sarah Grielens.
- b. Confirmation of our grant approval \$1500. CPF is on schedule with costs of Siezieme and our grant money. ACTION: Sarah Grielens to confirm dates for performance in the spring. EMV welcomes EJC coming up for the performance.

- c. Sarah to follow up with La Seizieme for confirmed Spring Performance dates; sociocultural grant going only to the schools, elementary schools. After spring break we will hear from them.
- d. Sarah to confirm with EMV and EJC principals regarding date, and approach EJC for transportation.

4. Housekeeping

- a. Membership renewals: We have 18 members on grace period. Some families are no longer in French Immersion. ACTION: Sarah G. to send out friendly reminders to those on a grace period to update/renew their membership.
- b. Tire Order with AFFNO—in place right now. AFFNO has agreed to donate 5 buckets to CPF and we will pay the remainder two. AFFNO is confident that the Tire will arrive in Prince Rupert before the 23rd of Jan. ACTION: find someone who may be able to pick it up from AFFNO in Prince Rupert around January 23rd.
- c. Sarah Grielens will drop off Bonhomme to Ecole Mountainview in time for their Winter Carnaval at the end of January.
- d. Payment of \$100 was suggested to Laura Ross for Bonhomme repairs, but this may be too little for the work she did. ACTION: CPF has asked Laura to submit an invoice in the amount of approximately \$250 and include breakdown of materials and time to reimburse her adequately. Gaming funds to pay for this expense.
- e. CPF Tent Banner replacement: \$345 estimate for tent; 10 foot banner estimated at \$147; gaming money to be used for this. Final approval for tent and banner given for purchase. ACTION Carolyn to purchase.
- f. No response from Provincial Gaming in regards to our appeal.

5. Succession Planning

- a. Early recruitment efforts for executive board for 2019/2020.
- b. For next meetings we may want to discuss the direction of chapter? Do we move toward more educational goals? I.e. Teacher recruitment and retainment, working more closely with the schools to support their French Immersion projects instead of creating our own?

6. Concours

- a. Concours notices were sent out to all French Immersion school teachers in the district, as well as Ecole Jack Cook. Work is ongoing by the subcommittee to secure judges and prizes.
- b. Still looking for 2 judges and an emcee. Marie -Jacques Frieberg has agreed to judge. Renee Syvret has been approached to emcee or judge. Awaiting answer. Kitimat CPF has agreed to try to find a judge from their community. Awaiting answer from EMV PAC for funding cash prizes and remuneration for judges. Sarah Grielens to meet with Eric Geary in regards to clarifying what reimbursement the school district can offer CPF for Concours, (besides the flights and hotel for winner and chaperone).