

CORPORATE REPORT

To: Electoral Area Services Committee Date: 2018-07-10

From: Kristy Hodson, Manager of Financial Operations File No: 1850-20 / 007

Subject: Grant-In-Aid Request - Deroche Elementary School PAC, Electoral Areas "C" & "G"

RECOMMENDATION

THAT the Fraser Valley Regional District Board authorize a grant-in-aid in the amount of \$5,000 to the Deroche Elementary School PAC, funded from the 2018 Electoral Area "C" grant-in-aid budget in the amount of \$2,000 and from the 2018 Electoral Area "G" grant-in-aid budget in the amount of \$3,000, to help offset the costs of field trips, hot lunches, Christmas hampers, tables, emergency items and outdoor education programs.

STRATEGIC AREA(S) OF FOCUS

Support Healthy & Sustainable Community

BACKGROUND

This request for funding is eligible under the Electoral Area Grant-In-Aid Policy under the "Activities/ programs which are accessible to a large portion of the electoral area" option.

DISCUSSION

The Deroche Elementary School PAC serves its community as a non-profit organization that is teaching community sustainability, community history, and land preservation, as well as assisting parents in supporting their children through school.

The Deroche Elementary School PAC is requesting a \$5,000 grant to help offset the costs associated with the following:

- Field trips (\$2,500)
- Hot lunch program (\$1,000)
- Christmas hampers (\$500)
- Folding tables for community celebrations (\$300)
- Emergency toiletries and lice treatments (\$300)
- Outdoor education, athletic and music programs for needy families (\$500)

Director Niemi is in support of providing \$2,000 towards their grant request and Director Stobbart is in support of providing an additional \$3,000.

COST

The \$5,000 cost will be funded from the Electoral Area "C" grant-in-aid budget (\$2,000) and the Electoral Area "G" grant-in-aid budget (\$3,000). Both of these budgets have sufficient funds to cover this grant.

CONCLUSION

A grant-in-aid application has been received from the Deroche Elementary School PAC seeking funds for several school programs that are not covered by the school.

COMMENTS BY:

Mike Veenbaas, Director of Financial Services

Unavailable for comment.

Paul Gipps, Chief Administrative Officer

Reviewed and supported.