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## **PAC Meeting Minutes**

**TUESDAY DECEMBER 19, 2023** 

### Meeting called to order @ 6:10 PM 11 in attendance, including Parents, Staff and PAC Executive

#### **PAC Executive**

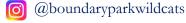
- Shante Sidhu Chair
- Paul Caetano Co-Chair (*regrets*)
- Rina Sidhu Treasurer
- Dildeep Kaur Khaira DPAC Representative (*regrets*)
- Hailey Zerr Fundraising Coordinator
- Roman St. Germain Secretary

#### Staff

- Kelly McEwen Principal
- Robin Scambler Teacher
- Lesley Taldo Teacher
- 1. Adoption of PAC Meeting Agenda
  - Motion to accept by Sahar, seconded by Hailey
  - Vote conducted, all in favour, motion carried
- 2. Adoption of PAC Meeting Minutes from Tuesday November 21, 2023
  - Motion to accept by Saima, seconded by Sahar
  - Vote conducted, all in favour, motion carried
- 3. Chair's Report
  - Highlighted very troubling and ongoing unaddressed incidents of bullying and harassment taking place both in classrooms and the playground
  - Had a meeting with BP Principal, Kelly McEwen, and separately met with Assistant Superintendent, Lynda Reeve, and a representative of Safe Schools to discuss recent and ongoing issues
  - Surrey Schools follows a more progressive way of addressing issues of bullying, etc. that is different from what most parents experienced when they were in school



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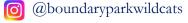
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- Jaclyn Blaney of Safe Schools will join our January PAC meeting and present to those in attendance the work that Safe Schools does
  - Request to have Supervision Aides attend meeting with Safe Schools
- Erase (Expect Respect & A Safe Education) at erase.gov.bc.ca is a fantastic resource
- Jingle Bell Hop approximately 70 kids signed up thus far
- 4. Treasurer's Report
  - Bank Balance at December 19 \$5,191
  - This includes items approved for payment but not yet paid;
    - How the Raven Stole the Sun \$950
    - Young Actors Project (youngactorsproject.ca) \$2,800
- 5. DPAC Representative's Report
  - Reviewed November DPAC Agenda
  - Discussions focused on portables, playgrounds, communications within schools (SOGI), screen time for students, provincial gaming funds for PACs, fundraising pub nights
- 6. Fundraising Coordinator's Report
  - Photo Shoot \$875
  - Upcoming Events
    - o Jingle Bell Hop
    - Spring Community Garage Sale Big Brother to pick up leftover items
    - More Open Gyms
    - o Memory Book similar to a school yearbook
    - Talent Show consideration
    - Freezie Sales
    - Sports Day Concession
- 7. Grade 7 Representative Report
  - Saima and Hailey working with Ms. Purewal
  - Parents are eager to fundraise
  - Snack shack



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#### 8. Principal's Report

- Looking forward to Jingle Bell Hop and Pancake Breakfast
- In touch with Safe Schools been present during lunch time and stopping in
- Safe Schools will provide a presentation at upcoming PAC meeting
- Jaclyn Blaney visiting on Monday January 15 to meet with teachers
- Have heard that Surrey Schools has had an increase in behavioral issues possibly to due coming out of the pandemic and recent inflation
- Reiterated need for parents to reach out to Admin when there are issues
- Invited a cross-section of parents in to discuss what they've seen and heard
- It sounds like a lot has been happening but that many instances were not being reported and as a result it seemed like issues were festering
- Requested a Supervision Aide currently three and looking to add a fourth
- Offers of samosas, donuts, etc. appreciated but due to allergies need to be mindful of difficulty of passing out meaningful if done during specific events

### 9. Digital Literacy for Parents

• Will likely join Tamanawis with the White Hatter program

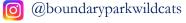
#### 10. Open Forum

- What are the actionable items when instances of bullying are reported
  - Investigation takes place
  - o Progressive steps are taken, depending on a variety of factors
- Recall Petition
  - Petition to recall Education Minister Surrey-Green Timbers MLA, Rachna Singh – focused on SOGI 123
- Message from the teachers really appreciate the PAC events and thanked PAC for all they do and are looking forward to the Pancake Breakfast
  - Would a teacher representative be willing to attend PAC events? This will be relayed to the teachers as an option

Next PAC meeting: Tuesday January 16<sup>th</sup> at 6:00pm



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Meeting Adjourned @ 7:55 PM 11 in attendance, including Parents, Staff and PAC Executive



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