



# Chimney Hill Elementary - PAC

(Parent Advisory Council)

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## **PAC Meeting Minutes** (Draft - Pending Approval)

Thursday January 19<sup>th</sup>, 2023: 7:03 pm – 7:59 pm

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### **Executive in Attendance:**

Suzy Fong – DPAC  
Preet Bhullar – Community Development  
Ruby Manhas – Social Events  
Anju Siekham – Fundraising Coordinator

### **Parent Attendance:**

Nimrit Kaur  
Navneet K Sangha  
and other parents/guardians not signed in.

### **Regrets:**

Amardeep Gill- Chair  
Jodi Neidert – Vice Chair  
Kiran Bains – Hot Lunch Coordinator

### **Staff Attendance:**

N/A

Chair: Suzy Fong acting for Amardeep Gill

Minutes recorded by Anju Siekham

- Motion to begin meeting at 7:03pm by Suzy. Seconded by Anju.
- Introductions
- Previous minutes are on [PAC Documents \(surreyschools.ca\)](https://surreyschools.ca/pac-documents) found here:  
<https://surreyschools.ca/chimneyhill/page/2929/pac-documents>
- **PAC Positions:**
  - PAC Executive, Secretary – Vacant
  - PAC Executive, Treasurer - Vacant
  - PAC Volunteer, Yearbook Committee – Vacant (to be discussed at an upcoming PAC Meeting)
- **Committee Reports:**
  - Hot Lunch  
Cheese Pizza/Gluten Free \$3/slice (Friday, Jan 20)  
Parents were not aware / Staff expressed confusion as limited information relayed to them (cross-wiring of information seems to have occurred).  
Messaging was not delivered in a timely way and should consider how we can improve communication.



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- Community Development  
Nothing to report at this time.
  
- Social Events/Fundraising  
Family Day Dance is a possibility but need to finalize commitment/date with School Admin. Ruby will connect with School Admin and find a suitable date (also look at possibility of connecting with Grade 7 teachers to coordinate student volunteers who would like to help lead dance). Children will need to be chaperoned by their parents (up to and including Grade 6?). Fundraising – Nothing at this time to limit potentially overburdening Parent community (other fundraisers currently on the go).
  
- DPAC  
Meeting set for 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday of the month. All parents are welcome to join. More info on [DPAC Meetings - Surrey District Parents Advisory Council \(surreydpac.ca\)](https://surreydpac.ca/dpac-meetings/) can be found here: <https://surreydpac.ca/dpac-meetings/>

- **Treasurer's Report and Budget Requests:**  
Operating December 31<sup>st</sup> 2022 balance: \$10,666.81  
Deposits:
  - \$2,062.93 Dec 9 Hot LunchWithdrawals:
  - \$1,080.00 Panago Pizza for Dec Hot Lunch

Gaming December 31<sup>st</sup> 2022 balance: \$10,207.07

- Withdrawals:
- \$528.63 Ornaments for Holiday Craft
  - \$1,000.73 Kerrs Recognition for 70 FitKid Shirts

Budget Approvals:

- no budget proposals

Profit/Loss Summary

- Nov 18 Hot Lunch: \$633 Profit
  - Dec 9 Hot Lunch: \$883 Profit
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- **Principal's Report – Ms. Reiter**
    - N/A
  
  - **Other Business:**
    - Parent Forum/Feedback



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- Parent would be happy to pay for Fit Kids t-shirts in an effort to re-direct funds for the school playground as it seems to be an important need. PAC has donated \$9000 to the playground trust to date.
- Parent concerns around slippery sections on school property (icy conditions) where numerous children have fallen. Salting those areas (stairs, back of the school etc.) is critical to limit injuries. Leaves are also causing slipping hazard. Suggestion that School Admin assess and restrict access in areas that may be dangerous for students and parents. Perception is that these concerns are not being taken seriously due to lack of visible action.
- Boy's washroom – Feces on the ground and does not get cleaned regularly. Children wait until they get home to go the bathroom because they not want to go into the boy's bathroom. This could be quite uncomfortable for the children and a health & safety concern. Perception is that these concerns are not being taken seriously due to lack of visible action.
- Parking Lot – Cars are parked and left unattended on both sides of the barrier during start/end of school creating a bottleneck for cars. Potential solution may be adding more pylons to direct traffic flow.
- Crosswalk - Mr. Taggar is volunteering. Follow up on school's request for a dedicated cross-walk person.
- There seems to be an increase in student conflict/physical harm – what is the school doing about this? What is the school's approach – conflict management. Is WITS enough? Parents are not apprised of consequences which can be frustrating and perceived as lack of action to address.
- Is there a policy of electric scooters/skateboards on school grounds? They pose a safety hazard.
- How much money has been raised by the school from technology fundraising?
- Next Steps: PAC to share feedback with School Admin for potential solutions.

- Motion to close the meeting at 7:59 pm by Preet. Seconded by Suzy Fong.

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Next Meeting: Thursday February 16, 2023 8:45 AM