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## Surrey Traditional School Parent Advisory Council (PAC) Meeting Minutes

**Date-** Tuesday Oct 23<sup>rd</sup> 2023

**Time-** 6.30 PM

**Venue** – School Library



Present:

1. Karam Dhami
2. Pam Tiwana
3. Bola Adebola
4. Tracy Henderson
5. Rajan Bombhi
6. Ms Helland- Principal

1. **Welcome call to order-** 06.40pm
2. **Approval and adoption of last minutes** - Adopted by Pam Tiwana and seconded by Tracy Henderson
3. **Principal's report**
  - 3.1. 3D printer installed. 3 teachers will be taken through its use, and subsequently the students.
  - 3.2. Diwali coming up on the 12<sup>th</sup> of November. Mehndi, sweets, food - proposed as possible options for the kids. Parent volunteers are needed. Is PAC interested in taking over any part? A few parents will be contacted. Feedback will be given to the principal.
  - 3.3. Social media presence. The school is on Instagram as Surrey traditional. Please follow.
  - 3.4. Buddy bench- If we want it done ahead of the next school year, payment will need to be done by March 1<sup>st</sup> . One bench on a concrete will cost \$2500; and \$1500 if no concrete is needed. Children may be encouraged to paint if they are interested. Hand/palm prints is a possible suggestion
  - 3.5. Five classes (coordinated by Mr Gomes) are bringing in a young actor's group and PAC support is needed. About \$950 will be required for this.
4. **Treasurer's reports** – Gaming funds have been received. \$5920 in total. A fund raiser was suggested by the treasurer. This will be set up as soon as possible. The flier will be put up.

Funds will be disbursed to all classes. A list of the classes will be given to the treasurer and cheques will be written.

5. **New Business**
  - 5.1. **Dangerous driving** - A parent/driver was seen speeding through the cul-de sac. Efforts are being made to track down the parent/driver and give feedback. Parents are requested to drive safely around the school and be mindful of speed limits.
  - 5.2. **Offensive graffiti was drawn on the school walls.** – This was taken care of by the district as promptly as possible. Cameras are not an option unfortunately for the school.
  - 5.3. **Financial literacy for elementary schools.** Can we include this for the kids? A few classes have done this for their kids. The principal will look into it.
  - 5.4. **Hot lunch-** Typically was set up by Lisa (School Secretary) in the past for the PAC. The PAC will need to step up with support. A few parents will be required for about 15-20 minutes on days

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for the hot lunch to help set up. Please reach out to any of the PAC executives or the School principal if you are able to give support with a few minutes on hot lunch days

**5.5. Grade 7 students fund raisers-** A contact parent for the parents of graduating students will be a great idea to set the graduating students fund raising going.

**5.6. Music teacher.** The school now has a music teacher for kindergarten till grade 4/5.

**5.7. DPAC (District Parent Advisory Council) meeting.** Holds, on Wednesday 25th October 2023 at 7pm. The meeting is virtual, via zoom. All parents are encouraged to be a part of this meeting. Registration link can be found on the DPAC website @ <https://surreydpac.ca/>

## **6. Meeting Adjournment**

- The meeting ended at 07.50pm.
- Next meeting will be on Wednesday, 22<sup>nd</sup> November 2023 @ 6.30pm, and will hold in the school Library.