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# **PAC MEETING MINUTES**

**TUESDAY JANUARY 14, 2025** 

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#### **PAC Executive**

- Hailey Zerr Chair
- Kuljinder Sidhu Co-chair
- Rina Sidhu Treasurer
- Dildeep Kaur Khaira DPAC Representative
- Raman Brar Fundraising Coordinator (Regrets)
- Fatima Lopez Secretary

#### Staff

- Narinder Walia Principal
- Aman Gill Vice-Principal
- Sarb Gandham, Karen Ward Teachers
- 1. Meeting called to order at 6:35 PM
- 15 in attendance, including parents, staff and PAC executive
- 2. Adoption of Agenda
- Motion to accept by Sahar, seconded by Kal Vote conducted; all in favour, motion carried
- 3. Adoption of PAC Meeting Minutes from November 19, 2024
- Motion to accept by Dildeep, seconded by Hailey Vote conducted; all in favour, motion carried
- 4. Reports
  - I. Chair's Report
- Combined Chair and Fundraising reports
- A big Thank You to the PAC executive and all the volunteers for making the pancake breakfast a successful event
- Next school event Glow Dance
   Tentative date is February 20th, 5:00-7:00 PM



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All grades with a live DJ; interactive dance event Details of event reviewed Tickets - \$8 per student; \$2 per chaperone; siblings under 3 free Planning stage - more ideas in Glow Dance Whatsapp group

- Need rules around chaperones for grade 3s and under at the last event, some students invited friends that do not attend the school; one chaperone per small group is acceptable; reach out to the PAC executive for more information.
- Photography session in the Spring April 5th Details will be sent out shortly
   \$20 per session goes directly to the PAC
- Popcorn days looking at Tuesday February 4th and March 4th Popcorn kernels donated by a parent
- Plan for a concession for Sports Day, June 13th
- Hoping for the track meet concession lottery system
- Possible carnival in May as good revenue and very popular event However, it is a lot of work and need a lot of volunteers Topic of discussion to be a go ahead fundraiser
- Considering more open gym events, freezie and ice cream days (later in the year)
- Hot lunches are an ongoing fundraiser
- Motion to pay \$650 from PAC funds to DJ motion to accept by Sahar, seconded by Dildeep. All in favour; motion carried.
- Principal conveyed need for all students or small group of students to have an adult chaperone; Capacity for the gym is 500 attendees
- Motion to give \$50 per Teacher for a total of \$500, for classroom funds. Motion to accept by Fatima, seconded by Kully. All in favour; motion carried.

#### II. Treasurer's Report

- Couple of events have taken place since the last PAC meeting events reviewed
- Pancake breakfast was a free event money spent on event came from PAC funds
- Profit and cost items reviewed from report notes



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- PAC's General Account Balance \$20,000; vendor costs not yet accounted for
- PAC's Gaming Account Balance \$2,950.00
- Changes took place around what gaming funds can be spent on not to be spent on school supplies; field trips and classroom funds are acceptable.
   Funds can also be spent on school activities and equipment
  - III. DPAC Representative's Report
- Shared important news Exclusion of students from school Office of the Ombudsperson; includes neurodiverse students; eg. students excluded from a field trip
- Notes on this issue reviewed; there is an anonymous questionnaire available through the B.C. Ombudsperson website
- November's meeting focused on PAC fundraising
   Discussion took place about different fundraisers; representative attended "Pub
   Night" group this type of event cannot be advertised in schools; should be called
   parent social; advertising can take place on parent social apps eg. WhatsApp
   PAC should consider similar event for fundraising efforts
  - IV. Fundraising Coordinator's Report
- Chair presented for coordinator refer to Chair's report
  - V. Principal's Report
- Whole school student learning plan focus reading
   Primary teachers to improve reading accuracy and fluency
   Interim teachers objective to enhance student comprehension skills
   Literacy teacher has come in to assist; inclusivity Indigenous books
   New resource room resource funds going towards this
   School working closely with the District
- A parent asked if there is a gap in reading literacy with new generation
   It appears so surveys, assessments to track literacy are taking place



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Working on getting data for Boundary Park

- A parent stated that in the past, parents used to get feedback on reading assessments, but this has stopped
   Parents can reach out to individual teachers to check in where their child is at in reading literacy
- Parking staff parking lot is for staff only; parents to refrain from parking here
- Playground safety new defined areas for different sports and grades; more space is being utilized; supervision by support staff - by the end of January, will know if will get more staff
  - Intramurals have been beneficial for 'boredom'
  - A parent expressed how the school feels like a different school this year; kids feel that they have something to do; older kids excited about sports; good energy at school; "humbling" experience for parent to see the amount of work put in by the school.
- Staff survey key points are classroom funds, whole school activities and technology
- Funding requests -
  - Racial equity awareness presentations for Div 1, 2 and 3 \$2,100 Spring, whole school activity approx. \$2,500 5 MacBooks \$5,965
  - Gaga ball pit
  - New MacBook cart (separate from IPad cart)
- Racial slurs at Boundary Park Presenter is engaging and will work with students; talks about personal experiences with racism and shares stories; 2 part sessions It is also a positive modeling for teachers and helps them to address topics with students; Presenter is available at the end of January
   A parent asked if parents are aware of issue - confirmation provided
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    A parent requested a presentation on neurodiversity in schools to be considered in the future; it would also be beneficial to students
- Regarding school wide activity awaiting confirmation



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- Feedback provided from teachers' surveys; copies made available to parents
- Request of PAC funds from Ms. Walia, for racial equity presenter, of \$2,100 Motion to approve by Kal, seconded by Kully; all in favour, motion carried.
- 5. Open Forum
- Parents to consider joining the PAC executive as the AGM approaches in June a parent is leaving the executive at the end of the school year the role of secretary will be available; there is also a need for Munchalunch volunteer(s) next year.
- Popcorn days are returning; still considering Kernel's Popcorn as another fundraiser
- Consider bottle drive on the photography day of April 5th
- A parent asked Ms Walia for update regarding audit late deposits were placed into incorrect account; highlighted need for processes to be followed in a timely manner
  - School still using basic funds this year; the district did not fund the school.
- 6. Next PAC Meeting Date February 11, 2025 at 6:30 PM
- Meeting adjourned at 8:01 PM

15 in attendance: Ms Walia, Ms Gill, Ms Gandham, Ms Ward, PAC executive, Sahar, Kal, Sandy, May, Dimpy and Min-Chee

