École Riverdale Elementary Parent Advisory Council

Monday, Feb 24, 2025

Meeting Minutes

Call to Order: 6:34 pm

Attendees: Tina Klassen, Rubina Cokar, Rachel Ladd, Chantal Goguen, Teresa Hurrell, Holly Tuason, Stacy

Ellis, Katie Hall, Hawariat

Adoption of the Previous Meeting's Minutes - Monday Jan 20, 2025

Motion: Tina Second: Rubina

Adoption of the Agenda

Motion: Teresa Second: Tina

Chairperson's Report

Thank you for coming out to tonight's meeting in person! It's so very nice to see your smiling faces in person!

Rubina – connecting the dots conference how does PaC work etc. We've been left in really amazing hands by previous PACS compared to some other PACs. We have systems in place to keep the PAC effective into the future.

(Read leaflet) If a school doesn't have a PAC, the school is not eligible for Gaming Funds that is given to the school for extracurricular events etc. PAC is a resource for parents, connecting parents with supports in the district in collaboration with school staff.

Principal and Vice principal's Report:

Chantal – Around parking lot – safety issues! Encourage your kids to walk to school if you can. Gravel parking lot is STAFF ONLY, parents are not allowed to pick up children in that lot as there are lots of students moving through that area.

The DROP OFF zone is for dropping off only, parking in this area is not allowed, please park in the parking spots in the parking lot

Math Night – Thursday March 6th until 4:30 – Families are welcomed to come and participate in math games!

Gatherings coming up – (previously known as assemblies) : Pink Shirt day 10:30 this wednesday Tuesday March 11^{th} Raven's Traits 12:45 pm

Rachel – End of term is approaching- keep an eye out for your child's document report or reports on Spaces

Free clothing on the tables in the hall has been donated for the use of anyone who would like any of those items. This will be up until mid next week

Basketball court update – The site we originally wanted the court on didn't work out (drainage issue), so then it was suggested that the grass area would work, but the two trees on the grass cannot be removed. So the courts may be perpendicular to each other, but then they'll be on gravel, so they'd need to be raised... We are waiting for the latest plan to show the most recent suggestions... less fancy

plan, asphalt will be \$40,000, hoops will be \$20,000 – ish. Waiting for quotes to be more clear on the money side of thing.

Katie asked why not the gaga court? Answer is basketball courts are a little more usable for other activities.

Treasurer's Report: Holly

Activity from last month to now: spirit wear \$295.00 raised
Neufeld's total was \$346.50
Purdys \$341.12
Movie Night \$307.30
Hot Lunch – \$5881.37
Surrey schools subsidy - \$196.00
No expenses for this last period
\$24,370.33
Gaming had no activity – bank fee doesn't come til the end of the month. \$2.50
\$3080.66

Committee Reports:

DPAC Report – Still looking for a DPAC rep!

Minutes from DPaC reports are available online, and parents are welcome to attend, but only PAC representatives are allowed to vote

Fundraising Committee -

Winter Movie review - \$300.00 donations at door and plus snacks, went really well, made more money than the last one. There may be about \$40 expenses still to come out.

After school popcorn sales – We were going to try to do 4 sales for the year, is anyone available to help with this once a month for the rest of the year? Rubina will do one or two, Teresa to do one, Katie to do one in April maybe? March 14th for the first popcorn day.

Hot Lunch Feb 27 Subway (this week) Still need some volunteers to help out March 13th is Boston Pizza (still two days to order!)
Also staff can order in Div 0 on Munch-a-Lunch!

Volunteer Sign up Sheet will go out tomorrow Hot Lunch – Stacey

New Business
Still looking for a DPAC Rep, and a new Secretary!

OPEN FORUM

Katie and Stacey want to know about concerts, why aren't there any? Rachel – music teachers have been changing and it's a lot of work for a staff member to do, and it needs a passionate driver. Our staff works really hard, and they generally don't have enough time to organize something as large as that.

Katie – are we allowed to put flyers at the school to recruit for local baseball teams etc.? Rachel replies we're not allowed to put up flyers in the school unless the district approves it, which is tough to get done. Tina suggests talking to Buy Low and the Shell station. Discussion about baseball and accessibility and how Surrey Canadians needs lots of players and the cost is very low/free (?)

Discussion about incentive program for volunteers next year.

Any questions/comments?

Next Meeting: Tentative Date Monday, April 28, 2025; 6:30 Zoom Meeting Meeting adjourned 7:28 pm
Meeting minutes taken by Teresa Hurrell