

William Watson Elementary Parent Advisory Council (PAC)
General Meeting Minutes- November 23 2021
Location: William Watson Elementary School Library

1.0 Called To Order: Carrie Lakatos (President of PAC) Called the meeting to order at 6:13pm

2.0 In Attendance: Carrie Lakatos, Cassandra Pelzer, Harjeet Grewal, Melanie Terry, Candace Paradon, Anne Smith, Courtney Lot, Ranjit Sadhar

3.0 Approval of Agenda: Carrie L Approved, Cassandra P 2nd , no Objections,

4.0 Adoption of Previous Minutes: Carrie L Approved, Cassandra P Second, No Objections, Accepted.

5.0 Principal's Report: Anne Smith and newly appointed Vice Principal Courtney Lot:

~ Christmas Hampers organized by Mr Bolton have been divided with primary divisions being asked to bring toys, and household items and Intermediates are asked to bring in Non Perishable Food items.

~Payback Pies- Staff have organized an event that is aimed at raising money to support our grade seven teacher Mr Jenkins and his wife Maron Jenkins previously our Child Care worker. Maron was diagnosed with pancreatic cancer while on maternity leave with their second child. The Payback Pie event is where students may purchase tickets to have a chance to pie a teacher/staff member in the face with said pie. Every one dollar donated is one entry into the draw. A fifty dollar donation is an automatic opportunity to pie a staff member in the face. All proceeds will be given to The Jenkins family.

~Spirit Day will resume on Friday December 3rd and is led by the leadership students. The first theme is Dress like your favorite book character.

~Ms Smith and Ms Lot wish to thank the PAC and volunteers for their ongoing contributions to the school.

6.0 President's Report:

~ Hot lunch and Treat Tuesdays have been going very well. Currently we have about fifty percent participation. We are always looking for new local vendors. Currently we are hoping to acquire a sushi vendor. Our previous vendor has increased in prices and was not able to give us any discount. Therefore we are open to hearing new suggestions. Stay tuned for upcoming menus and treats including pop its.

~ Carrie would like to also mention to the group about the Jenkins family situation. We, as an Executive PAC decided to add their Go Fund me page to our Munch A Lunch Orders and encourage parents to donate any monetary amount. Carrie also suggested that the PAC donate \$1000 to their Go Fund Me Page. A

vote was put forth and all in attendance were in favor and the motion was passed.

~Carrie would like to Thank all of the Staff for making sure that the PAC Fundraisers, Events and Hot lunch/Treat Tuesdays are communicated with the students. This has included writing reminders in their planners, sending home notices and making announcements. We appreciate their ongoing Support.

7.0 Treasurer's Report: Harjeet Grewal

~Treasurer's Report: given by Harjeet Grewal (copied from Harjeet's Report)

Update on Financial Statements

FUNDRAISING ACCOUNT (as of November 22, 2021, PAC has \$27,805.83)

Expenses Fundraising Account-		
Munch-A-Lunch Accounts Payable		\$1,325.53
Student Supply Fund - T.Alloment		\$3,150.00
Fundraising expense	\$6,194.46	
BCC PAC Yearly Fees		
PAC Business Cards		
Treat Tuesday		
Hot Lunch		
Spirit Wear		
Hot lunch payout		
Concession - meet the teachers		
Concession/pizza- movie night		
Spirit Days		
Total	\$9,344.46	

Fundraising Account		
Income (Hot Lunch/Treat Tuesday)		\$11,383.92
Donations	\$50.00	
Concession - meet the teachers		\$415.00
Concession - Movie night		\$533.00
Total	\$12,381.92	

Note:

Allcoated Bus Budget if called upon		\$6,080
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GAMING ACCOUNT (as of November 19 2021, PAC has \$172.30)

On Nov 12 2021 - contacted gaming for application status update.

PAC was informed the application remains in queue to be reviewed due to late submission of application

Expense - Bank fees \$3.75 per month

Grant amount received in previous years \$7,780.00 - PAC has two years to spend the funds.

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Expense & Revenue \$0.00

8.0 Vice Presidents Report: Cassandra Pelzer (notes copied from Cassandra)

DPAC Meeting - second DPAC meeting was held Wednesday October 27th. This meeting focused on PAC101 and Finance101 as well as an open discussion regarding mandating vaccinations for Surrey School district staff.

Spirit Wear - We launched new Spirit Wear in October. Due to high printer demand this time of year, we only launched it for just over a week in order to hopefully have the Spirit Wear before Winter Break but there are no guarantees. We sold a total of \$4,629.00 in Spirit Wear. Profit yet to be determined. We will likely relaunch Spirit Wear again in the spring. Thanks to Cheryl at Pro-Stock for all of her guidance and help!

Movie Night - We had a hugely successful Movie Night on November 19th. We sold 183 admission tickets, 98 bags of popcorn and 141 slices of pizza. We also had a concession that made \$450.00 after expenses. Our total profit for this event was \$1621.64. A huge thank you to Principal Anne Smith and Ms. Terry Burgess for helping us promote this event as well as the teachers and staff who helped promote it in various ways. Thank you to Mr. Toor who set up the screen, projector and speakers and to our amazing volunteers who helped set up, check people in, hand out their treats and had everything cleaned up half an hour after the movie ended. Amazing and we could not have done it without you! Thank you Ricky's Restaurant in Fleetwood for stepping up and donating three \$25 gift certificates we were able to use as draw prizes. Thanks to the amazing parent community who came out to

support this Movie Night and my dedicated executive team for their tireless efforts in this event.

9.0 Old Business: Carrie Lakatos

~A reminder to help promote our PAC Facebook handle (William Watson Pac) as well as our Instagram Handle(wwepac). This is a great way for families to stay informed of our ongoing fundraising as well as a way to communicate to us. Reminder of the PAC email account wweschoolpac@gmail.com.

10.0 New Business:

~ On December 15th the PAC Will be hosting a pancake breakfast for the staff and students of William Watson Elementary. We will be paying for the breakfast for all. It will be an opt out program with letters to families to respond only if not wishing to participate. The vendor we will be using is McDonald's, their Fleetwood location.

~A letter was written to the school expressing their concern that they feel Students should not be made to play outside on the very heavy rainy days. The letter was read on behalf of Carrie and done so anonymously. A discussion followed and Anne Smith spoke explaining that this was something that she would handle. There are rules within the teachers union around outside play and they work with the staff to agree upon the decision to have an inside day based on these rules. In Conclusion the letter was received and Anne will follow up with the parent that expressed their concerns. It should be noted that we have a supply of brand new donated jackets and clothing should a student become soaked and not have a change of clothing. Also, students are always encouraged to dress appropriately for the weather.

~ A suggestion was also made to the PAC about purchasing a Friendship Bench. The idea around this is to have it near the playground and it would be a place in which any student could sit. This would suggest that the student was looking for a friend to play with. The bench would encourage students to be inclusive of one another and make others be aware of any student who might be feeling left out and needing a friend. The discussion around this was very positive and Anne Smith will be following up to find out the rules around what type of bench would be allowed. This will be revisited at a future meeting.

~ A suggestion was made to look into hosting our Scholastic Book Fair with proceeds going to help the Jenkin's family and to help the elementary school in Abbotsford that is under water and lost it's library

~A suggestion was also made to continue to look for ways to support the Jenkin's Family. Including continuing to add the Go Fund me link to Munch a Lunch for further donations.

11.0 Questions and Answers

~ A question was asked in regards to the scholarship suggestion. Cassandra informed the group that we are looking into DPAC's parameters around this and

also looking into what other schools offer. We will continue to discuss this at the next meeting with hopes to have more answers.

12.0 The Meeting was Adjourned at 7:22pm with plans to have the next meeting in February 2022

Thank you for the ongoing support given to your new PAC.

Respectively Submitted By Melanie Terry (PAC Secretary)