


École Peace Arch Elementary PAC | May 16, 2017 | Meeting MINUTES

6:30pm | Peace Arch Elementary Library | peacearchpacnews@gmail.com | peacearch.hotlunches.net |  [Peace Arch PAC](https://www.facebook.com/peacearchelementarypac/)

President	Erin Harvie	16 Attendees
Vice-President	Elizabeth McCrank	Erin Harvie, Arin Bird, Kristen Fryer, Fiona Kehler, Alexandra Wong, Mikki MacCumber, Jo Ann Stan, Carol Davison, Maria Ramsay, Alynne Penner, Jenn VanIlderstine, Laura Creech, Ken Wuschuke, Deb Thorvaldson, Elizabeth McCrank, Julie Ross
Treasurer	Laura Creech	
Secretary	Kristen Fryer	

This was the final PAC meeting of the 2016/2017 school year.

Ideas for next year? Comments on fundraising, money allocation, PAC events, etc.?

Please join us at the first PAC meeting of next school year and have your say! Tuesday, September 19th, 2017

ALL parents and guardians of Peace Arch students are welcome, and are voting members of the PAC.



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Admin Report ~ Deb T.

- The Peace Arch staff are excited for PAC's annual Staff Appreciation Luncheon on Wednesday, June 14th.
- Surrey School District has provided guidance for parents regarding the Netflix series *13 Reasons Why*; see the Parent Resource link [here](#), and the Parent Guide link [here](#).
- Any great photos from the school year? Please email to Deb or Fiona for the year-end slideshow.
- Next year Peace Arch will have 24 divisions (up 2 from this year); not sure yet on the portable situation.
- Parent Appreciation Tea on May 24th, 2-4pm in the school gym.
- A big thank you from Deb & Fiona to all the wonderful parents at Peace Arch. They very much enjoyed their time here.
- Ms. Thorvaldson is retiring end of June, and Ms. Eckert is moving on to Surrey Traditional School. Introduction of our new incoming Principal Ms. Carol Davison, an experienced, bilingual Principal, joining us from Jessie Lee Elementary. The new Vice-Principal will be named in the coming weeks.
- Ms. Davison: taught French Immersion for 8 years in Manitoba; M.Ed. in California; 3rd school as Principal.

Treasurer's Report ~ Laura C.

- PAC is in a healthy financial position at present, although under target for playground fund.
- **MOTION: to earmark \$10,000 of operating account towards Playground Fund. Moved by Laura C., seconded by Fiona K., all in favour, none opposed. Motion passed.**
- Old PAC freezer in multipurpose room has died; do we need a new fridge/freezer? Put out a call for a donation?
- Financial records circulated and back statements available at any time.

Spring Fling Report (Friday, April 28th) ~ Elizabeth M.

- Thank you to everyone for another successful Spring Fling! Beautiful weather, high attendance.
- **Volunteers:** Had many volunteers from EMS; only 9 Peace Arch students volunteered to help.
 - Not as many parents volunteered this year; would like to have many more parents next year for running games; high school students were good, but required a lot of management and supervision; more parent volunteers would make the event go much more smoothly. Discussion about how to encourage/drum up more parent help. Requirement for one parent from each school family to provide volunteer time??
- Wine wall was very successful again; had 48 bottles of wine; tons of raffle basket donations.
- We should sell freezies next year, they're always a popular item.
- Suggestion for lawn signs around town and on our school property to advertise to the community.
- Suggestion to mail/advertise Spring Fling to incoming Kindergarten parents, so they can visit the school.
- Need more folding tables; need to investigate cost of tables from Costco.
- Big thank yous to Vanessa G. for organizing Silent Auction; Laura C. for games; Courtney H. & Elizabeth M. for Raffle Baskets; Julie R. for concession; Arin B. for décor; and many parent helpers for set-up and clean-up!

Staff Luncheon Wed. June 14th ~ Erin H.

- Same as last few years, out in courtyard, tents and tables/chairs, staff will get an extended lunch.
- Volunteer sign-up sheet will be emailed soon.
- Parents donate food dishes or grocery gift cards; need more hot dishes this year; too much bread & salad last year.
- Will need help with set-up, serving, and clean-up.

Playground Committee ~ Erin H. per Sean H.

- Sean will make poster/signage with information about mandatory playground removal and the need for PAC to fundraise for a replacement structure; could be displayed for parents at Sports Day.

Watermelon station at Sports Day (Friday, June 16)

- Buy-Low Foods has donated the last many years; Fiona K. has the donation letter, and list of supplies needed (cutting boards, knives, cloths, etc.).
- Ken W. volunteers to procure watermelons - Thank you Ken!
- We need volunteers to cut/serve watermelon on Sports Day (June 16); please email PeaceArchPACNews@gmail.com.

Other Business ~ Erin H.

- Discussion about daycare; currently there is after-school care at PAE run by Alexandra Neighbourhood House.
- Next year PAC meetings will be Tuesday evenings only.
- First day of school in September: PAC puts on a Welcome-Back Coffee/Tea/Treats table in courtyard.

2017/18 PAC Elections:

- As per our Constitution, an Executive position may be held for 4 years.
 - Erin (President) and Elizabeth (VP) have one year left (last year will be 2017/18)
 - Laura (Treasurer) and Kristen (Secretary) have two years left (last year will be 2018/19)
 - We still need new PAC members with younger children to get involved and join the PAC!
- Thank you to Rowland W. for 2 years as DPAC rep! A new District PAC Rep is needed for next year.
 - The DPAC Representative may:
 - attend all DPAC meetings (approx. 7/year) and represent, speak, and vote on behalf of our PAC
 - report regularly to the membership and executive on all matters relating to the DPAC
 - give input to the DPAC on behalf of our PAC; liaise with other parents and DPAC reps
 - receive, circulate, and post DPAC newsletters, brochures, and announcements
- CPF ; thanks to Jo Ann S. and Tamsin L. for this year. Need one more CPF (Canadian Parents for French) Rep to share with Jo Ann for next year. Similar to DPAC above; attend CPF meetings, represent and liaise with our PAC.
- Emergency prep; next year a new round of food is needed; Arin B. will continue.

2017/18 PAC Executive: (all members were acclaimed and agreed to continue in their roles)

President: Erin H.

VP: Elizabeth M.

Treasurer: Laura C.

Secretary: Kristen F.

2017/18 PAC Committees:

DPAC: (needed)

CPF: JoAnn S./ (needed)

Playground: Sean H.

Dairyland: Maria R.

Gardening: Maria R.

Emerg Prep: Arin B.

Fruit & Veg: Julie R./Alynn P.

Website Admin: Sean H.

Snowball Dance Coordinators: Arin B./Maria R.

Spring Fling Coordinator: (needed)

2017/18 Hot Lunch Team:

Coordinator: Elizabeth M.

Fridays: Mary Q.

Website: Sean H.

Volunteer Coordinator: Kristen F.

Meeting adjourned 8:15pm. This was the final PAC meeting of the 2016/17 school year. Thank you to Taco del Mar!
Next meeting will be the first of the 2017/18 school year, Tuesday, September 19th, 2017 at 6:30pm in the School Library.
Have a great summer!