

Morgan Elementary PAC Meeting Minutes

Date: November 18, 2025

Time: 6:30PM

Location: School Library

ATTENDEES PRESENT

Hailey Loncaric - President Nav Jagpal - Vice President Danielle Bahd - Treasurer

Nadine Arksey – Secretary

Russ Kozub - DPAC Rep

Joyce Buchanan – Member at Large

Fiona Eckert – Principal

Gina Gill

Marlies Henny

Jade Porter

Anita Kooner

Breanne McLeavy

Megan Pisanu

Casey Rumley

Dragana Jaksic

Praveen Pooni

Call to order – 6:30PM

Additions to the agenda

None

Motion to adopt the agenda

CARRIED

Motion to adopt the minutes of the previous meeting

CARRIED

PAC President Welcome - Hailey Loncaric

We had a successful Book Fair.

Rocks n' Rings is going on this week for each division in the gym.

There will be an extra hot lunch next Friday.

The 12 Days of Giving and the Mingle Jingle are coming up. There will be volunteer sign-up links sent out in the next PAC newsletter.

Principal Report - Fiona Eckert

(See below for full report.)

<u>Financial Update - Danielle Bahd</u>

We are on budget for this term for hot lunch and fundraising expectations were exceeded for the Halloween Dance.

Updates:

DPAC

See below for Minutes from the October 22, 2025 meeting.

Grade 7 Grad

A donation from PAC will be used for Grade 7 Grad. As well, students and teachers have fundraisers planned, with the help from some parents.

A bake sale will be happening for December.

Hot Lunch

A new vendor has been sourced, Meltawich.

A new Booster Juice has opened in Morgan Crossing and will be considered for next term.

Spirit Wear

The current order will be closing on November 21st. There are lots of options for colors.

It was asked if we can consider collecting outgrown spirit wear for resale in September.

Book Fair

\$8900 is sales this year, \$4200 goes back into the library.

There were more than enough volunteers and students helped as well.

A note for next year to get the teachers wish lists in before the fair.

Teachers and the librarian will take books that families have outgrown. Speak to your child's teacher.

Mingle Jingle

It is on December 12 from 5:00 – 8:00 pm. It is live on Munchalunch to buy tickets and preorder pizza.

There will be games, crafts, movie room, photos with Santa, choir performance, pizza room, concession.

New Business

We will be having 12 Days of Giving from December 1 – 12. There will be a different theme each day, collecting items for various community groups in need.

Flyers will be sent home with students.

Volunteers will be needed to help each day.

Please be mindful of donations and refer to Surrey Food Bank needs. Expired food will not be accepted.

Set the date for the next meeting

There won't be a meeting in December.

The next meeting will be set for Tuesday January 20 at 8:45AM.

Motion to adjourn – 7:28AM

Principals' Report Morgan Elementary November 18, 2025 Fiona Eckert, Principal

Top of mind at this time is Traffic safety.

The traffic at Morgan has surfaced as an issue for several years, with driver behaviour being at the heart of keeping our children safe. Over the past two years, we have worked with our partners of SPS/RCMP as well as our district staff that liaise with the city to review safety on Morgan's site and in the neighbourhood.

At this time these are the actions in place:

Traffic Safety:

- Parent letter home last week to detail ways drivers and families can help,
- Safe Schools is working in liaison with SPS, and Surrey Bylaw to enforce traffic safety and lawful driver behaviour
- SPS and Bylaw will be on site for two weeks as part of traffic enforcement (Monday a total of 8 tickets were issued)
- A second, SPS school liaison officer has visited site and is another resource for ongoing issues
- SPS will work with ICBC for possible road safety campaigns in the new year ie Walking Wednesday
- Surrey facilities department has been on site to observe traffic patterns and review current structures
- SPS traffic enforcement officer and Bylaw are working with the City of Surrey to look at structural changes to align with safety goalsthese recommendations come from SPS
- Surrey School district is actively recruiting crossing guards through the Frontiersman organization-
- Surrey Crime Stoppers present

Primarily, we would like to the community address the issue by changing behaviour

SPS offences observed:

- -Disobeying the "No-Left Turn Sign", as they exit the school.....hence the need to place cones on 34 Ave
- -Disobeying the no "U-Turn sign"

- -Failing to come to a complete stop at the intersection
- -Obstructing traffic flow by stopping in the middle of the road to let children out/pick up
- -Parking vehicles for a longer period, where there is a time limit (156A St)

Fines parents can expect:

1. "Speed in school zone -Exceeded by less than 21 km/h"

Fine: \$196 Points: 3

2. "Speed in school zone - Exceeded by 21-40 km/h"

Fine: \$253 Points: 3

3. "Prohibited U-Turn"

Fine: \$121 Points: 2

4. "Fail to obey stop sign"

Fine: \$167 Points: 3

5. "Fail to obey traffic control device" (This offence applies to left turn taking

place against posted sign prohibiting it)

Fine: \$121 Points: 2

6. "Obstruct traffic by parking" (This applies to parents stopping in middle

of the road to let kids out)

Fine \$81 Points: None

Morgan is a school where we all feel a sense of belonging and community. When we work together, we can accomplish great things. As a community, you can help by following the laws but also knowing where to get the right support. If you see something- report it. Here are some tools and resources of where you can report it

911 – emergency Non-emergency – non emergent issues **604-599-0502** Bylaw Enforcement team at bylawcomplaint@surrey.ca or 604-591-4370. City of Surrey Report Website: https://my.surrey.ca/report-a-problem/home Surrey Police Service: trafficcomplaints@surreypolice.ca

Other things: Love notes from the office:)

Volunteer Drivers forms- We would appreciate any parents who are able to complete the annual volunteer driver forms so we can have a bank of parents per class to call on for field trip experiences.

No third party lunches- we cannot accept deliveries

Lost and found- parents please label outdoor clothing as we have a large amount of unclaimed coasts in the lost and found

News From the school:

Sports are going well- Cross country is completed, volleyball, we appreciate our teacher volunteers

December Holiday celebration of music: December 10 9:00am Primary 10:30 Intermediate

Communicating student learning-

Positive home school communication is known to be beneficial for students' success in school. If you have not connected with your classroom teacher yet, please reach out for a parent meeting.

Formal written reports go home the week of December 8-12



Surrey District Parent Advisory Council (Surrey DPAC)

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Surrey DPAC General Meeting Agenda

Wednesday, October 22nd, 2025

Chair: Anne Whitmore, President Recording Secretary: Bobbi Taylor

Tech/Accessibility contact: Theresa Clédomin, Vice-President

7 pm - Education Session

Topic: E-Bikes, E-Scooters, and School Safety: What Families Need to Know

They're fast, fun, and everywhere... We'll be talking about e-scooters, e-bikes, and what families need to know about e-mobility, safety, and district policy. We'll cover:

- The current laws in Surrey and why e-scooters aren't permitted
- BC's age and helmet requirements for e-bikes
- District expectations for students and families
- First responder insights on e-bike and e-scooter accidents and charging safety,
- May 2024 Resolution sponsor, COPAC Chair Nicola Baker

Resolution 2024.07 *Be it resolved that* BCCPAC advocates to the Ministry of Education and Child Care for increased education and awareness amongst students, parents, and school districts, [edit] emphasizing age restrictions and safety guidelines on laws of all modes of transportation (e.g. e-scooter and e-bikes), that students use to get to and from school emphasizing safety guidelines.

And the bigger question: How do we get kids to school safely and efficiently?

8 pm - Business Session

- 8:00 Welcome & Land Acknowledgement
- 8:03 Agenda Confirmation (Review of consent agenda)

 September minutes
- 8:05 Community Snapshot See questions below
- 8:10 President's report (Anne)
- 8:15 Trustee update (Trustee Holmes)
- 8:20 Treasurer's report (Bill)
- 8:20 Report/Committee highlights only (10 mins): Inclusion Committee (Sheri), Zoom Co-ordinator (Theresa), DPAC Rep Training (Gwynn)
- 8:30 Decision & Discussion Block (15 mins) Motions below; discussion and vote

PAC support - what do you need?

New driver requirements:

We seem to be getting some unclear answers from our admin.

Every driver now requires:

- a Police Information & Vulnerable Sector Check
- Driver's Abstract
- Volunteer Driver Form
- and a copy of the insurance paperwork and drivers' licence shown to the office before the first field trip of the year.
- does the school need to keep this info on file and if so, are there requirements for how it is stored (hard copy, digital, length of retention)?
- Can a copy of a prior police information check be used if it was done within the last 12 months?
- Does every adult in the vehicle have to have a PIC, or just the driver?
- Currently parents have to go into the police station to get the paperwork processed, but what's the timeline (if any?) on doing one where you can put a code in online to obtain the check easier?

Family of school joint events

8:55 – Next Surrey DPAC General meeting: November 26, 2025

Save the date: Connect the Dots: Tools for Confident PAC Leadership, Feb 28th
9:00 – Adjourn

Community Snapshot

Question 1: How does your child usually get to and from school?

- Walk
- Bike or kick scooter (non-motorized)
- E-bike
- E-scooter
- Car (parent/caregiver)
- Carpool
- School bus
- Transit

Question 2: What are the biggest barriers to walking, biking, or rolling to school?

- Distance or unsafe routes
- Lack of bike lanes or sidewalks
- Heavy traffic or speeding near schools
- Storage or theft concerns

- Safety perceptions

Question 3: Before today, did you know that e-scooters are not legal to ride on public roads, sidewalks, or parks in Surrey?

Yes / No

Question 4: Do you think current transportation rules are clear and accessible for families?

Very clear

Somewhat clear

Confusing

Not aware of them at all

Question 5: What would make it easier or safer for students to get to school without a car?

- Improved sidewalks, crosswalks, or lighting
- More bike/scooter storage
- Slower vehicle speeds around schools
- Safer intersections
- Crossing guards or walking school buses