



Walnut Road Elementary School PAC Meeting Minutes – October 15th, 2019

Executive Council in

Attendance

Susan Légaré
Mike Leschyson
Amanda Widdes
Bob Gill
Sash Khanna

Kirsten Harms

Other P.A.C. members

Sunhee Gooding
Vicki Hunter
Jaqueline Reyes
Heather Horwood

School Representatives

Mr. Horstead
Ms. Da Costa

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 6:40pm

1. Welcome

General welcome to all parents and school representatives who attended the meeting. PAC encourages everyone to attend P.A.C. meetings . P.A.C. is a vital part of the school system and we can't do it without all the volunteers who help out at the various events and hot lunches.

P.A.C. Executive was introduced and all attendees played an icebreaker game of BINGO.

2. Approval of Previous Minutes

It was moved by Sash Khanna and seconded by Jaqueline Reyes to approve the previous minutes of June 12th, 2019 as presented.

3. Principal's Report

Mr Horstead showed P.A.C. a powerpoint presentation outlining a principals role in the school. Mr. Horstead also introduced Ms. Da Costa, our new Vice-Principal and French teacher.

Mr. Horstead let P.A.C. know that the school district has informed us that the Kindergarten playground equipment will be decommissioned and removed in July 2021. The school has asked for P.A.C.s help in forming a committee to help plan and fund a new playground.

The new sensory room has been set up for students needing a space to decompress and refocus so that they can return to class ready to learn and is in use daily.

4. P.A.C. Updates

- Family Photo Night – Oct. 9-10

Thanks to all the families who supported Family Photo night. We filled 37 spots and raised \$925. Photos are now available for viewing and purchase.

- Hot Lunch – Hot lunches have started and are going well. Thank you to all the volunteers who have helped out this year to date. P.A.C. is also running a concession on Hot Lunch dates as well and has been doing very well.
- Square – P.A.C. now has a Square machine and can take credit and debit payments for fundraisers and events.
- Pub Night – Oct. 25

Come out and enjoy a burger and drink for \$20. We will also be hosting a 50/50 and toonie tosses.

- Donut Day – Oct. 28

Preorders for donuts must be in by Oct. 23. Donuts are coming from Tim Hortons.

- Holiday Market – Dec. 7

Last year the Holiday Market turned out to be P.A.C.'s top fundraiser. We look forward to hosting this event again this year. We currently have 27 vendors confirmed. This year we are looking at ways to keep track of the number of attendees for future years reference. P.A.C. is also looking into having a DJ again this year as well as approaching M&M's Meat Shop to run a BBQ for lunch concession.

Once again we will be running a raffle, 50/50 draw and a silent auction at the Holiday Market. P.A.C. would like to thank Julie Hinshaw for her work in gathering raffle donations.

P.A.C. is looking for a volunteer to help organize the bake sale for the Holiday Market. If you are interested in volunteering for this or just in general for the Holiday Market please contact P.A.C.

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5. Budget Planning

The school has let P.A.C. know that emergency water is no longer needed as part of our budget. The school has also proposed that they would like Hip Hop to be budgeted for every two years instead of yearly.

6. Treasurer's Report

Organization Account: \$31,621.90

Gaming Account: \$32,335.20

P.A.C. was approved for the BC Gaming Grant again this year.

P.A.C. banks with Prospera Credit Union. We have a system in place where cheques being issued need to be signed by two authorized P.A.C. members. Receipts must be handed in to the Treasurer in order to be reimbursed for funds used.

Money in the organization account comes from our many fundraisers including hot lunch. P.A.C. is able to use the money in the organization account as they see fit.

Money in the gaming account comes mainly from government grants. Because the money comes from government grants we are restricted in using the money for non-circular items and activities. In the past this money has been used to fund activities such as Zumba and new gym equipment.

7. New Business

- Scholarships

Bob Gill is looking into the details needed to create a scholarship for former students of Walnut Road Elementary. Gaming funds can be used to fund the scholarship.

- Spirit Wear

Vicki Hunter is taking the lead with spirit wear and will be meeting with Mr. Horstead to set this up. P.A.C. is looking to start selling near the beginning of November.

- Art Starts

Ms. Da Costa has asked P.A.C. if they would consider adding Art Starts to the budget in the future. Art Starts are presentatins by artists or performers.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:00pm.

Next scheduled P.A.C. meeting is on November 12, 2019 at the Library Learning Commons.

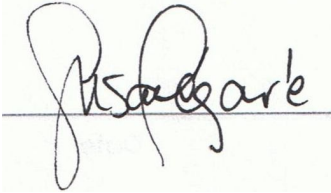
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Minutes Approved and Verified by:

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