

President	Jennifer Wilson	11 Attendees
Vice-President	Katie Everson	Jennifer Wilson, Katie Everson, Gurpreet Bhatti, Fiona Kehler,
Treasurer	Tana Jennings	Reid Christiansen, Carol Davison, Chris Bobrownik, Sean Halliburton,
Secretary	Kristen Fryer	Kirsten Yanicki, Tana Jennings, and Kristen Fryer.

Ideas for fundraising, Phase 2 playground design, money allocation, PAC events, etc.? We want to hear from you! **PAC meetings will be the 3rd Tuesday of the month, 6:30pm in the school library.** (No meetings in Dec/March/June): Nov 19, Jan 21, Feb 18, Apr 21, May 19. ALL parents/guardians of Peace Arch students are welcome, and are voting members of the PAC.

PAC Website: peacearch.hotlunches.net. **This is not just for hot lunch! It's our general PAC website!**
If you have a child at Peace Arch, please register for the website to stay up-to-date with our school community.

Find us on Facebook! www.facebook.com/peacearchelementarypac/ 

1. Introductions – Jennifer W.

- Welcome, and introductions. **Many thanks to Grandview Starbucks** for donating tonight's coffee and tea; to **Kristen F.** for tonight's cookies; and to **Katie E.** for tonight's mugs.

2. Admin Report - Carol D.

2.1. Recent Events:

- Terry Fox Run and Cops for Cancer raised over \$1300 in Sept
- Welcome Back Open House - new format, good turnout
- Green Thumb Theatre presented "New Canadian Kid" - funded by Art Starts
- Orange Shirt Day Sept. 27 - recognizing reconciliation with Canada's Indigenous people
- Welcome to new staff: Mrs. Worrow (clerk), Mme Jendral (FRIM K - Tues)
- Sept Pro-D Day (Professional Development) - staff looked at our students' strengths, needs, data from school & provincial assessments, and began to set goals
- "Safety Week", first week of October, gave us a chance to learn and practice drills - others are scheduled for throughout the year (6 fire drills total, and 2 each of earthquake and lockdown/hold and secure)
 - Lockdown: if active threat inside the building: blinds down, classroom doors locked, lights off, teacher and students out of sight
 - Hold and Secure: if threat is near the school or in the neighbourhood; everyone is inside the building, in their classrooms, but teachers continue teaching
 - Shelter in Place: stay inside until it's safe to go outside, normal activities continue.
- Great Turkey Run - Oct. 6 – thank you to Peace Arch families for your participation!
- Hip Hop was greatly enjoyed by our students - thank you PAC for your financial support! (PAC paid half)
- Students Photos - proofs went home today, ordering is online
- Field trips - pumpkin patch, Surrey Nature Centre, Centennial Park

2.2. Upcoming events:

- Student Vote Oct.17 - kids learning about different parties & our actual local candidates; they'll participate in mock vote
- Foundation Skills Assessments for Gr. 4 & 7 begin Oct 21; results come back quickly after they are marked locally Nov 14
- **Halloween costume parade (Gr. 1-7) from 1:30-2:30pm in the gym; parents invited**
- Divs 7 and 15 are holding a food drive for the local food bank
- Volleyball -- Grades 6 and 7
- **Remembrance Day assembly - parents and public are invited Thursday, Nov 7**
- Field trips: Halloween visits to Seniors' Centre

2.3. Items to Discuss:

- Surrey School District is working towards financing the replacement of our gym basketball hoops
- School wishlist: Proposal to ask for PAC funding to install a fixed A/V system for our gym; \$14k plus taxes
- Crossing guards - BCAA-sponsored student patrol for Roper crosswalk (organized by Constable Sears and Mme Ahonen), applying to the Frontiersmen (community service group) for adult guards on Thrift at Kent and Stevens.

3. Business from Last Meeting - Jennifer W.

- 3.1. **Thrift Avenue traffic study** is underway by the City of White Rock. Thank you to PAC for supporting this initiative.
- 3.2. **Rotary Club of White Rock's 1st Annual Great Turkey Walk/Run** was a great success! Fantastic weather, and great turnout by our school community; thank you to all who participated, either by walking/running or pledging.
- Final tally still to come from Rotary, to be donated to Phase 2 of our playground replacement project.
 - Big thanks to EMS Leadership student volunteers **Finn** and **Holden** for rockin' the Archie mascot!
- 3.3. **Parent volunteers still needed for several positions on PAC**
- **Most urgent: Snowball Family Dance Coordinator for our 6th Annual Snowball on Friday, Dec. 6th!** If we don't have a volunteer (or team of volunteers) by Halloween, we'll have to cancel the dance for this year. Oversee a group of volunteers to arrange DJ, concession, decorations, etc. **Please get in touch ASAP!** peacearchPACnews@gmail.com
 - **DPAC: District Parent Advisory Council.** Our PAC needs a parent rep; meetings held monthly on 4th Wednesday (except Dec, Mar, June) at the District Education Centre 14033-92 Ave. Rm 2020, 7-9pm. Info: www.surreydpac.ca.
 - **CPF: Canadian Parents for French.** Our PAC needs a parent rep; monthly meetings held Sept-June, in English, and are open to anyone interested in French as a second language in Surrey School District. Info: www.cpf-surrey.com.
 - **Playground Committee:** we need committee members to help with an opening ceremony for Phase 1 (installed July/19), plus fundraising & design for Phase 2. peacearchPACplayground@gmail.com
 - **Hot Lunch Volunteers:** parent volunteers needed weekly for hot lunch, most Fridays, occasional Thursdays. Pod supervisors: 11:45am-12:20pm. Hot Lunch Leaders: 10:45am-12:45pm. Sign up: volunteersignup.org/FB8YB.
- 3.4. **Hot Lunch Update: parents please remember to send cutlery this year on Hot Lunch days!** If students don't have cutlery, they may sign out a fork or spoon at the PAC kitchen on each Hot Lunch day, and return it at the end of lunch.

4. LifeTouch Family Photo Night – Gurpreet B.

- 4.1. **LifeTouch Family Photo nights have been booked for Wednesday, Nov 6 and Thursday, Nov 7, 4:30-9:00pm**
- 18 time slots each night (minimum 13 families/night required); Cost will be \$25, and includes the 15-minute sitting fee plus an 8x10" photo; additional photo packages may be ordered at family's cost (similar to student photo packages)
 - Flyer to go home in agendas ASAP and through email
 - Gurpreet B. to coordinate paper sign-up sheet through school office; Cash or cheque payment of \$25 must be made to reserve your spot by Friday, Nov. 1st
 - Katie E. to work on Christmas-themed backdrop for portraits

5. Treasury Report – Jennifer W. and Tana J.

- 5.1. Review of Summary of Accounts for the '19/20 school year; PAC financial statements are available for review at any time
- New accounting software is in place, and financial records will now look a little different than in the past
 - Current budget is fairly conservative, as we don't know how much money we'll receive from Rotary fundraising for Phase 2 of the playground, or how much Phase 2 equipment will cost
 - Request coming from Mme Yalpani to increase Carnival budget item, as this year it will be for all Grade 7s in March
 - The school has asked for P.E. equipment: a school set of pickle ball equipment; a cricket set; and a kin ball
 - Teachers have asked for grab-&-go sports equipment for each pod for DPA (Daily Physical Activity)), approx. \$275/ea

MOTION: To accept the addition to the PAC budget of \$1,428 for a school set of Pickle Ball equipment. Moved by Gurpreet B. Seconded by Sean H. All in favour, none opposed. Motion passed.

MOTION: To accept the addition to the PAC budget of \$6,000 as a starting point to eventually finance a fixed projector in the school gym & upgraded Audio/Visual equipment. Moved by Kirsten Y. Seconded by Fiona K. All in favour, none opposed. Motion passed.

MOTION: To accept the addition to the PAC budget of \$930 for Teacher Wishlist Items. Moved by Gurpreet B. Seconded by Sean H. All in favour, none opposed. Motion passed.

6. Playground Replacement Project – Sean H.

6.1. We need to start thinking about playground design for Phase 2

- Carol to inquire if the District would charge us to pull out the north playground earlier than is required
- Quote from Habitat for donor sign is \$4050: Too expensive! Opening ceremony to be delayed until sign is installed
- Sean to inquire with Blue Imp (other playground company)
- Discussion about cost of Phase 2, and how much playground we can get for the projected \$50k from Rotary fundraising
- Questions for Rotary: can we extend timeline for installing playground? can we source our own provider? can we take their \$50k and keep fundraising for another \$50k to install a playground of sufficient size and quality, rather than rushing to do a \$50-60k playground?
- Next playground meeting after Nov PAC mtg

6.2. **Always looking for more help on the Playground Committee!** Several more parent volunteers needed.

peacearchPACplayground@gmail.com; need more volunteers to continue fundraising, collaborate on design, plan grand opening ceremony in the fall, organize recognition campaign, begin Phase 2 design, etc.

7. Annual Fundraising Donations Drive – Jennifer W.

7.1. We need to get our Annual Fundraising Donations Drive rolling: PAC is continually raising money for needs at the school

- Need to get the letters sent out; more graphic design this year, fewer words
- Now until Friday, Dec 21, donate through [School Cash Online](#) if tax receipt is required (donations \$25+) as in past years, or by cheque to PAC if no tax receipt required
- Asking \$20 per child; goal is \$10,000

8. Other Business – Jennifer W.

8.1. **Traffic safety:** concern from parents re. drivers not respecting the drop-off zones, and not parking efficiently along Roper

- Discussion about asking the City of White Rock to paint parking lines along Roper Ave.
- PAC, admin, and parent to send letters requesting lines to be painted
- Discussion about having parents marshal traffic; any volunteers?
- Discussion about a Crossing Guard during drop off and pick up, organized by The Legion of Frontiersmen; they have not been able to fill the position, so we are reaching out to our community. If you or someone you know would be perfect for this part-time, before and after school position, please contact the school office.

8.2. **Saleema Noon Sexual Health and Body Science** workshops for students and parents is booked; funded by PAC

- Tues, Jan 14th for parents
- Thurs-Fri Jan 16-17th for students

Meeting adjourned 7:55pm. Next meeting Tuesday, Nov. 19th at 6:30pm in the school library.

A Playground Committee Meeting will follow.