
PAC Meeting 2022/2023

Wednesday, November 2, 2022 6:30PM

Attendees

Joanne Barr (Chair), Jodi Schneider (Vice), Valerie Gregor (Sec), Cassandra Tomilson (Tres), Jen Story (DPAC), Kelly Hemingway (Fundraising Co), Heather Morris

Welcome

Round table

Agenda

Approval Oct Minutes

Kelly Motions, Jodi seconds

Approval Agenda

Additions/Omissions - none

Jodie motions to approve, Cassandra seconds

Principal Report 6:35 to 7

Insert Zale Report

- More distributed leadership in the school. Yard clean up. Each class takes a week a year. Keep the gourds nice. 31 weeks left in the school year.
 - Vanier volunteers are still happening, generally 7 come in total today we had 4, many sick. The nex is December 6th then January 11th.
 - School photos have arrived today and will be distributed tomorrow.
 - Zale is curious to know what people think of the photo company and should we look around. Heather likes her experience with Island life for the first time.
 - Flinished try a trade and it was very positive.
 - Cross Country is done and Volleyball is starting.
 - REcycling and compost is being taken on by leadership. ORange bin compost. We are collecting refundable containers. The leadership students are using the money for something leadership related.
 - Last day for FSA's is November 10th, almost done.
 - Lion vision screening had 3 total referrals. Lions will cover any vision needs related.
 - We finished the tables for the outdoor classroom. They were on the SD71 website.
 - Jodi let me know if you need a product to seal the tables.
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- WE did the walk for wenjack and the food bank donation. The kids did really well in pulling that together.
- The danger trees by the school have been dealt with, see last minutes.
- We will be getting the fence by the playground extended.
- A new garden will be put in by the K/1 portable when they come to work on the fence.
- The Halloween Parade was a success, parents were happy to be back in the school.
- The end of term date was set for November 30th. PTI November 17th.
- The schedule to sign up for PTI should be in the newsletters on November 4th.
- First MyEd report cards will come out November 30th. Portfolio reporting you will receive at PTI and a summary of learning in February.
- Book Fair on the 16th and 18th of November.
- Handwashing presentation on the 18th for the younger student. Done by public health.
- A stem representation will be happening for underrepresented groups. They will work with the 6 and 7 classes. UBC okanagan.
- Christmas concert is on December 14th, all parents welcome Woooo Hooo!
- 2 fire drills 1 earthquake drill. Fire department joined the drills. Both a success. We still have an upcoming lockdown drill, RCMP will be invited. Joanne would like to know if parents could be involved. Zale would be willing to do some lockdown information and training at a PAC meeting for parents
- The Fruit and Veg program is still rolling along.
- A number of clubs are still going. We have 3 staff running this year making it a success. JEn with all of that staff support can go to younger grades. Zale will discuss it with Jackie.
- Criminal Record check for school activities. Turn around long. Driver abstract as well.
- Zale chatted with Royston about doing a clothing swap. Do a fashion show before christmas break. Whatever isn't taken gets Royston you probably won't have a child finding something that was theirs.
- Affordability fun, total funds the school will receive is 15060.00. See Zale's insert. For upgrading the kitchen to commercial kitchen, a dishwasher etc for more food programs. We have overbudgeted to ensure a buffer. The main goal of the budget will be setting up the school to have more in house food programs. Staff is happy to see a percentage of the money will go to upgrading the kitchen. A washer and dryer will also be put in, which will have many benefits to the school.
- Food Safe for Parents, Joanne will look into it.
- Joanne has some feedback about cross country, as a parent driver I found it hard. We were arriving late and parking from far away. It created a lot of extra stress. It would be nice for parents driving to leave at 2:15 and have the race schedule in advance.

Chair Report 7 to 7:20

Old Business - Follow up on home Technology in the classroom/bus, Follow up on Framework of Learning, Leadership Supports (t shirts or additional funds).

- Technology in the classroom came home with all the families. After School care has also become a screen free space says Jen.
- Framework of learning followup. Joanne is posted on the website. Joanne please post our minutes as well. The Email sent by Pac was all good for the framework of learning but we need more physical health and mental health. We would like to see a pro day focused on Mental health. We would like to see more groups and activities for younger ages. We have also noticed a change in the community and we would like to see community building in the school. Zale we have brought back buddy classes. As a PAC we would like to encourage outside community groups to come into the school.

New Business - Bussing - Joanne and Jodi (concerns about the bus) Joanne share email.

- BUSING; We tabled it at the last PAC meeting. Joanne sat with Zale and expressed parent concern. Safety, communication, driver roles. Zale asked for it in an email. The PAC reviewed the administrative procedures and safe riding roles. We wanted the district to relay the information as a procedure. Is First student reviewing the procedures with drivers. Joanne; what are we doing as a school to support our students. Zale, the district has met with First students, there have been a few bus suspensions. Zale has been posting bussing rules with parents. Zale has been checking with drivers each day to see if there has been improvement. Zale is trying to get the message bussing to the entire community and drivers. Zale goes out to meet with the drivers to ask if there is an incident and whether or not there is something he needs to follow up on. Jodi would like to say the routes and stop safety needs to be reviewed. Zale would like the PAC to send a letter related to stops. Safety on the bus Zale can keep working with the MBE and drivers about bus rules to improve the situation. As a PAC we are happy there is a plan, we will all have to move forward as a community to achieve success!
- Trustee (board meeting policy change) and how are we going to hold our elected trustee accountable whether or not they are "assigned" to us. Our community elected them because they need to be held accountable by their constituents - Joanne would like to thank all the candidates that came forward for running for trustee. It takes courage and determination. Congratulations to Cristic May Sacht on being elected. Last year we the chair made a change assigning trustees to schools. We were not assigned our elected trustee. We need to think about as a PAC what our expectations are from a trustee. Jodi would like to have a trustee that can attend our meetings in person. We want a trustee that will support the needs of our school so we are not forgotten as the rural school. Kelly supports that our school is not forgotten. Heather feels the same. Jen would also like someone to come with the desire to understand the complexity of the community.
- Mental Health - Table to next meeting
- Events committee - Heather is interested in forming an events committee. Thank you Heather for volunteering. Joanne will help Heather meet up with the other Parents that were keen on developing events, a Fun Fair woohoo!

Committee Reports 720 to 730 (Vice)

Committees formed so far this year are Fundraising, District Involvement, Fun Fair, Hot Lunch, Mental Health, we will add committees as the need arises throughout the year.

- Jodi has been talking to parents about starting committees like Fun Fair in January
- Fundraising -Kelly Report - Hoodies and stickers should be done at the beginning of next week. We raised approximately 1300.00. Next fundraiser starts next week on the 7th cookie dough. Keep up the good work Kelly.

District Involvement - Jen and Joanne (Covered in DPAC report) Update on Student and Family affordability fund. Student affordability fund was updated by Zale.



Fun Fair - Jodi Report - FunFair Committee - Will start in January. Jodi will sit with Zale to set a date.

Hot Lunch - Wendy and Joanne Report - Next Hot lunch run will go out on the 11th of November. Instead of Sushi this round it will be lo mein.

Mental Health - TBD

Treasurer Report 7:30 to 7:45

Insert Report - Cassandra, talked about the fundraising. Classroom allowances paid out. Swag money has come in.

PAC we should apply for a gaming license for the christmas concert so we can do a 50/50. Cassandra will take that on. If we have something to raffle off then we may do that as well.

DPAC Report 7:45 to 8

Insert Jen's Report - Elections were done. New board sworn in next month. Family affordability has been a big topic at DPAC. Joanne will share the DPAC link on facebook. The trustee passed a motion that you have to pre-present questions to the public board. You can not have open questions. If we do want to ask questions of the board DPAC allows you to do that.

Open Discussion -

We will have a meeting this December due to the new board coming in with new strategic planning coming in. We vote to keep the meetings for December and January.

Log climbing playing structure. Joanne is in the works about getting some logs put in for play. We would like these logs to be placed in an accessible place. Zale is talking to the district about making the playground more accessible.

Joanne and Jodi are going to start taking turns chairing the meeting. If anyone else is interested in the role please let Jodi or Joanne know.

Heather, could we look into Soccer nets? MBE presently has no soccer nets or goals. They were removed for safety. The district has yet to replace them.



Next Meeting 8

December 7th, 2022

Motion to Adjourn

Motion to adjourn the meeting 808

Jen motions, Valerie Seconds