
PAC Annual General Meeting

2023

Wednesday, May 10, 2023, 6:30PM

Attendees

Joanne Barr (Chair), Jodi Schneider (Vice and Fun Fair), Valerie Gregor (Sec), Heather Morris (Event Co), Trustee Cristi May- Sacht (Sick not in attendance). Kendall Packham Parliamentarian, Kelly Hemmingway (Fundraising Coordinator), Mike Johnston, Rebecca Williams, Kate De Cotiis, Anna Shepard, Chris Schneider, Andrea Sorensen, Jason Sorensen, Danell Hunter, Kyle Hunter, Julie Shaw-Macgregor, Jackie Gibbons, Rosellan Lancashire, Nicole Spooner, Lauren McClung, Melissa Neufeld, Tiffany Hicks, Tanya Williams, Candice Pauloski, Jenna Weise.

Welcome

Round table - Basic Introductions by all who attended.

Agenda

Approval Agenda

Motion to approve may minutes, Jody motions Kelly seconds.

Additions/Omissions - Heather motions to approve the agenda, Nicole seconds.

AGM

630 to 7 - Approval of 2022 AGM and reports from Chair Report (inserted by Chair)

Reflecting on the past year I have nothing but amazing things to say about the pac and dedication of the parent/guardian volunteers within our school.

Each and every single one of us brings something different to the table, but we all have the same end goal, and this is our students and families that attend Miracle Beach Elementary are represented well and are set up with the best success possible.

We have a very diverse group of parents that represent all classrooms and age groups.

We all know the parent voice in the education of our children is key. No one knows these kids and their needs better than their parents and guardians.

I'd like to personally thank each single one of you.

Accomplishments of PAC this year was the establishment of committees, the events committee chaired by Heather Morris held 3 fantastic events, the Little Miracles Market that brought a sense on entrepreneurship to the children of our school, followed by the financial literacy seminar where the

children learned that the money they earned has the potential to working for them, and finally the Family Movie Night which was jammed full of fun sweet treats and popcorn.

Our Fundraising committee chaired by Kelly Hemingway, Kelly organized 4 successful fundraisers that made money that can help set pac up with the future 23/24 school year expenses, our district Involvement committee chaired Jen Storey our DPAC rep who made sure we had a seat at the table with the family affordability fund, the food committee, providing volunteer opportunities at other schools like salad bar, fairs, and parent education opportunities. Our fabulous fun fair committee chaired by Jodi Schneider. These volunteers have been working tirelessly planning our fair which will be held on May 31st. This is going to be a fabulous event. It's very exciting to have this event back bringing our families and community together in a fun way. Our hot lunch crew who has been bringing great foods and feeding our children every Friday has become our greatest fundraiser.

As a PAC we have had many fabulous conversations at this table, in the playground and hallways always providing our parent perspective and helping where needed.

One area we were not so successful in this year was our mental health committee, we have established this committee but by preserving our own mental health we have yet to gather to discuss our terms of reference and goals, but I do hope this committee continues in the 23/24 school year to ensure our children, families and staff have the tools to be and feel supported in times of need.

As chair I have personally enjoyed working with every single one of you, of staff and Mr. Darnel. It has been a successful year and I'm looking forward to seeing what next year's PAC can accomplish because I know this is just the beginning.

Vice Chair Report -

- Most of my work this year has been working on Fun Fair which is a separate report.
- We have all worked tirelessly to make sure our students feel safe and secure coming to school. I look forward to looking forward to what we will see moving forward next year.

Treasurer - Review analysis for additional notes

- Jodi went through the Income statement Cassandra had a family emergency to attend to.
- Overall, the budget is looking healthy, until the Fun Fair is complete, we will not have an accurate complete budget.
- Totals are out for hot lunch PayPal because they have been rounding in our favor ● There are supplies left in the PAC cupboard from movie night.
- Not much has been spent this year and needs to be reviewed at further meetings. ● We are presently running a deficit, but it is not as large as we thought it would be.
- We ran a Christmas 50/50 draw, and we will have a 50/50 may long weekend at the Saratoga speedway.

DPAC - Insert notes from Jen.

- Heather is representing DPAC because Jen is unavailable for this meeting.
- Review of the active travel initiatives are underway at the district level. This is something happening at DPAC.
- BCCPAC attendance by Miracle Beach happened recently. That puts us on the right track with other PACS and what is happening at the ministry level.
- Areas of focus moving forward are ongoing advocacy for mental health. ● Mental health is now a focus at the district level

Events

Heather chaired the events with fun activities this year to facilitate family friendly events that create community involvement.

- 3 events were a success, Craft Fair, Financial literacy and movie night.
- The Craft Fair had excellent attendance. Weather was a challenge that day, heavy snow.
- The Financial literacy event had great content, but the timing was a challenge for people to attend. A professionally led free event that should be looked at again.
- Movie Night, which had excellent attendance. It was very busy and a lot of fun. The event was communicated as a parent student event, but we ended up a lot heavier on the student side over the parent side.
- Great Job overall Heather.
- Heather has nominated Nicole Spooner to move forward in running the events committee. Heather felt Nicole was a great asset to all the events being successful.

Fundraising

Kelly Hemmingway

- Growing Smiles went off without any problems.
- Kelly, I am confused by the numbers reported in the treasurer's report for these differ from what they were the other day when I reviewed them and wrote my report. I will have to review everything and bring it to my next report.
- We have a lot of plans for next year.

Hot Lunch report - (comments inserted by hot lunch coordinator)

We have had a very successful year with record breaking orders, a big thank you to the volunteers who have come out to help serve and make hot lunch through the year, Wendy, Sam, Rebecca, Cassandra and Kelly. Our profit by year end should be roughly \$7000.

We are always looking for new food options and cost-effective ways and are looking forward to continuing to offer hot lunch meals in the next year.

7 to 730 - elections

Kendall will handle the voting process.

- **Nominations for Chair**
 - Heather Morris and Jodi Schneider: Both accept the nomination.
 - Both nominees will say a bit about themselves
 - 2nd and vote - Heather Morris is the next Chair, congratulations Heather.
- **Nominations for Vice**
 - Andrea Sorenson declines nomination and nominates Jodi Schneider. Jodi accepts the nomination. Joanne Barr puts her name forward as Vice Chair.
 - Both nominees will say a bit about themselves.
 - 2nd and vote - Jodi Schneider Vice Chair, congratulation Jodi
 - Open Nominations for other positions if interest is presented.
 - Secretary Valerie Gregor
 - Treasurer Cassandra Tomlinson
 - DPAC Jen Story
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 - Motion to approve amended Constitution and bylaws and file them with gaming Jen Story and Joanne Barr have reviewed the constitution and bylaws to put them in line with the BCCPAC guidelines.
 - Joanne would like to put forward a motion to accept the revised constitution and bylaws.
 - Jackie Gibbons question we are updating the by laws, is there a copy of the old bylaws? I have questions about process because the changes were not formally sent out to the parents of the school. We need to look at the procedural guidelines.
 - Can the amended version and the original version be on display for parents until the next AGM, 2024?
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 - Joanne if you are not comfortable with the information that has been provided at every PAC meeting, we can table the amendments to the by law changes to the next AGM.
 - Kate De Cottiss asks for more information for parents about the constitutions and bylaws.
- **Amendment to Minutes:**

Additional questions: Jackie Gibbons asks movie nights funds where they are and who has the receipts.

(Insert Comment brought up by Jackie Gibbons and June 14th, 2023, PAC Meeting) Jackie, the question about where the money for movie night was not addressed. Heather my comment from the last meeting was that I will investigate it.

 - Grants: who applies for what for grants, PAC school?
 - Rural bussing Grant - Jackie Gibbons would like to know why we are not using more.
 - Day Tripper grant - should we be using that as a school. Valerie mentions that Daytripper is a teacher school driven grant.

- Kendall most grants are applied for by the school not by the PAC.
- Mr. Darnell, we generally don't apply for the grants because they are labor intensive.
- Anna Shepard - Breakfast Club on the SD71 website. Are we going to be looking into that at Miracle Beach?
- Zale we are working towards that, that is part of why we had our kitchen renovated. Our goal is to offer that to our community.

730 - end AGM move towards May meeting

Kelly motions to close AGM Rebecca Williams seconds.

Agenda for May regular general meeting

Approval of Minutes

Approval for March minutes. Motion

Jodie motions to approve March minutes, Mike Seconds the minutes.

Approval Agenda

Additions/Omissions

Motion to approve may agenda Nicole, Seconds Kelly.

Principal Report 735 to 8

- Today we attended the track jamboree, we had huge participation. We were happy to see.
- Next district track is on May 17th, we are allowed to send two students per event.
- Musical is coming, and the kids have been practicing hard. It is May 25th there is a 1 pm and 6 pm performance. We will do a parking raffle again. It worked great at Christmas. We will also be asking parents to park only on the incoming side of the street.
- Art Walk this year will be combined with a Fun Fair. Student art Walk.
- Lots of field trips happening between now and June. Week at a glance hopefully is keeping everyone posted.

- Primary gym sale happened and was a huge success. 388\$ was raised for Yana. Good job primaries!
- Hacker Gal has been continuing. They work lunches and after school. There is a core group of about 8 students participating.
- A team from Miracle Beach came second in the District Minecraft challenge. Go Team.
- We have about 30 kids going to a coding quest tomorrow with Mr. Biegler.
- Mental Health week, check my newsletter for wonderful discussion points and links.
- Strong start has been very well attended. Parents are very happy it is here. We generally have about 11 families. Our issue with strong start is that it is not presently guaranteed for next year. We do not have assured strong start funding. We are in the process of pushing for funding for our own strong start facilitator. Parents should read out to Vivian Collier the director of instruction at the SBO.
- Garden, we have an order of lumber for the boxes coming from black creek building supplies. Our hold up right now is apple trees. We need two separate types of apple trees to cross pollinate.
- We are in the early stages of class building for next year. If you know of families not returning, please let Mr. Darnell know. If you have any aspects or requests around learning, please let me know.
- We had a symphony performance for grade 4 and 5s and we had great feedback. The kids really seemed to enjoy it.
- The welcome to kindergarten event was great, all the teachers participated.
- We have a total of 28 Ks presently enrolled.
- We have two new students starting on Monday.
- The transition for grade 7s has started. We have been meeting with Vanier.
- Grade 7 Vanier tour will be on June 14th, they will meet the teachers, counselors and LST staff. We will also be doing some small group teaching for higher need students. ● We have ringette starting for primary students
- May 16th and 17th grade 4 and 5 will be doing a biking program. The parking lot will be busy.
- Gena Taylor will be coming in to help teachers with their PE programs.
- May 18th the grade 7's will be going to the big house.
- Band performance coming up in the gym.
- June 16 is beach day; we will be putting out a request for the cookie run. Terry the bus driver said last year he got boxed cookies, and he prefers homemade.
- June 21st indigenous day. We will be having exciting events here.
- June 26th ish reporting will happen, expect something coming home.
- Portfolio open house for our primaries will be June 27th.
- The Review code of conduct committee has been bringing it up to date. Our code of conduct was out of date. We will start using the revised conduct to track student interactions as student overall behavior. I will share it at the next meeting.
- Emma Mossie is done on May 19th; we will have a little party for her.
- Student Learning survey results had great participation. The student portion of the surveys I will share at the next meeting.

- The pothole in the parking lot has not been fixed; it is an ongoing problem.

New Business - motion to 50/50 at Saratoga Speedway

- Saratoga Speedway is allowing space for a 50-50 on May long weekend.
- Jodi, the draw was offered to us when I approached support for the Fun Fair. We had to get our own gaming license. Cassandra and I applied for one and gaming approved it, we have one in our hands. For every 1000 tickets we sell we add another draw and so on. For example, 1500 would be 2 draws. The tickets will be 1 dollar per ticket to keep it fast.
- Joanne asked the BCCPAC about offsite fundraising. I spoke with the gaming chair that there is nothing that stops us but there is a note about funds being collected and earned need to be spent in the school year. They could be changing the guidelines very soon so funds cannot be carried forward. Also, people who put their names on the gaming license are taking responsibility. The money does have to go into the gaming account.
- Motion to approve the 50-50 sales at Saratoga Speedway by Jodi. Seconded by Julie. All approve.

Fun Fair (Vice) 8 to 830

- Wednesday May 31st, 2023
- We are quickly coming up to our Fun Fair dates.
- We have a 40 ft obstacle course, dunk tank. Bouncy house.
- We will have a list of games.
- We have a lot of great donations coming in for silent auctions. Information was sent out in the last newsletter.
- Currently we have 600\$ in cash donations and we have purchased prizes. We have the beginnings of an income statement.
- Kelly, do we have an approved budget for a Fun Fair? Jodi, we have a budget that we are working off from previous years but do not have an approved budget.
- We need to finalize games and get volunteer information for Zale on Friday.
- Parents will have the opportunity to pre-order food on the hot lunch website, but we can order cash purchase on the day of. Punch cards are for the games. We need to advertise that they need to have cash to participate.
- Silent auction goods will be on display in the library.
- Kelly, how much will the event cost? Jodi, we will have 5-dollar punch cards and 10-dollar punch cards.
- Joanne - could you change the flier so it shows the costs, there should be transparency for those who attend. Jodi - I can ask the person who made it.
- Joanne -Good work to the Fun Fair committee for all their hard work. Thanks, Jodi, for taking on this huge project.



Next Meeting

June 7th, 2023

Motion to Adjourn

Motion to by Kelly seconded by Heather.