



General PAC Meeting Minutes

Date: February 28, 2023

Location: Google Meet

Present: Yolanda Davidowich, Kris Sward, Alicia Campbell, Natalia Subrt, Corinne Chalmers, Tina Poudrier-Beck, Jen Graham, Hayley Morrison, Meetii Kalher

Regrets: Jessica Dowdall, Krista Reid, Lacey Evans,

Next PAC General Meeting: April 26th at 7pm in the Library

Agenda:

1. Approval of the Agenda
2. Approval of January 24, 2023 General Meeting Minutes
3. Principal's Report
4. Financial Report
5. Fundraising- Jen-
6. DPAC- Corinne
7. Committee Updates/Needs
 - a. Traffic and Safety Report
 - b. Hot Lunch/Popcorn Days
 - c. Yearbook
 - d. Grade 5
8. New Business
 - a. Mr Wayne's Retirement
 - b. AGM
 - c. Spring Book Fair
 - d. Executive Positions
 - e. Sports Day
9. Old Business
 - a. Book fair credit- progress
 - b. Question & Answer
10. Prize Draw- Starbucks gift card

Discussion:

Meeting called at 7:04pm.

1. There were no amendments to the agenda. Approval of the Agenda Natalia 1st, Alicia 2nd. All in favour. None opposed.
2. Approval of January 24, 2023 General Meeting Minutes. Alicia 1st, Corinne 2nd. All in favour. None opposed.



3. Principal's Report

Land acknowledgment: I acknowledge that I work and learn on the Traditional, Ancestral, Unceded, and Shared territories of the Stó:lō people, Sema:th and Matheqwi First Nations.

- a. Joint Partner meeting update: a group of PAC leaders, board trustees, district personnel and administrators met on February 27th to learn about and provide feedback on the district's strategic plan, budget process and Indigenous initiatives and focus in the curriculum.
 - i. Student wellness and well-being is key for our district and Canada. Covid had an impact and it shows up as anxiety and other issues. We are striving to making our students feel connected and welcome in the school
 - ii. School goals are linked to the district strategies, and focus literacy, numeracy, social and emotional learning.
 - iii. [First Peoples Principles of Learning](#), and they include Learning takes patience and time; Learning is reflective and reflexive and experiential. BC did 5 year overview of the curriculum and determined that indigenous voice needs to be woven into the curriculum. In our classrooms we don't only bring storytelling and perspectives, but also highlight the principles.
 1. In one of the K class there was a cartoon called [Molly from Denali](#). It is about First Nations in Alaska. The cartoon done by CBC and has Canadian content.
- b. PAC/VP room needs to be sorted and made usable – we will be cleaning out this space in the coming months and moving things around.
- c. Gaga pit update – Gaga is a fast paced, high energy sport played in an octagonal pit. It is like a kinder gentler version of dodge ball. Materials have arrived and are stored on site, once we have our planning meeting of the needs of the expansion project Mrs.Sward will put in a work order to have them installed. Total cost of kits with shipping was \$1,131 USD (plus wood and installation still to come).
- d. School Expansion: no updates yet – still waiting on a meeting
- e. Traditional advisory committee – we need two parents, two students and two staff members for meetings of the TAC. Meetings this year are set for April 19th and May 17th from 4-5:30pm at King Traditional. Also – 3 on 3 basketball at ATMS on April 13 after school (will be grade 4/5's). We are pushing to reinstate some of the Traditional activities and events that happen yearly.
- f. District is looking for input on the proposed calendar for next year (info on district website). There is also still time to submit feedback on student learning through the 'Parent' survey on the Student Learning Survey links in our newsletters
- g. Kindness donut and math mania – new bulletin boards up in the lobby. Will be shared with kids at Friday Friends this week.
- h. Dates:
 - i. March 1 – earthquake drill



- ii. March 3 & 10 – cookie sale fundraiser for grade 5 field trip
- iii. March 8 – reading link challenge – some of our grade 4/5 students are competing at the district level
- iv. March 9 – popcorn day, report cards home
- v. March 10 – Olympics day (for Reading Olympics celebrations), last day before the break
- vi. March 11-26 – SPRING BREAK
- vii. March 27 – first day back

4. Financial Report (Tina)

**Auguston Traditional Elementary School
Financial Reports
2022/2023 Fiscal Year**

	Annual Budget 2022-23	Year to Date General	Year to Date Gaminig	Year to Date 2022-23	\$\$ Remaining	Jan 2023
Revenue						
Gaming grant	7,000	-	-	-	7,000	-
Hot lunch and popcorn	16,500	23,568	-	23,568	(7,068)	14,377
Fundraising	17,500	1,967	-	1,967	15,533	-
Events and other	900	533	2	535	365	4
Total Revenue	41,900	26,068	2	26,070	15,830	14,381
Expenditures						
Class/staff support	11,400	3,952	-	3,952	7,448	-
Extracurricular activities	6,500	1,104	-	1,104	5,396	45
Fundraising	5,800	4,693	-	4,693	1,107	-
Events	8,970	859	-	859	8,111	490
Hot lunch and popcorn	10,500	6,068	-	6,068	4,432	7
Supplies and yearbook	3,100	170	-	170	2,930	-
General	1,975	259	-	259	1,716	-
Total expenditures	48,245	17,105	-	17,105	31,140	542
Surplus (deficit)	(6,345)	8,963	2	8,964		13,839
Opening surplus (deficit)	6,345	17,490	2,439	19,929		15,055
Ending surplus (deficit)	-	26,453	2,441	28,893		28,893

The new budget is presented at the AGM.

5. Fundraising (Jen)



a. Fun Fair

Allow the kids to buy the admission bracelet (fishing game, darts etc). So they can play all the games for free. But bigger items, like Cookie walk, Arcade, Dunk Tank, Bouncy Castle, Rock wall – they cost tickets. Tickets can also be used for snacks (candies, chips etc)

- i. The call for meeting this Thursday, March 2nd has been posted on Facebook. It is likely going to be virtual due to snow.
 - ii. We have inflatables, dunk tank, face painting is already booked in. Triple O truck is booked, and we'll be doing pre-orders for that. Krista and Jenny will take care of raffle baskets from the classrooms. The goal for the Thursday meeting was to go over everything that makes Fun Fair a success. Silent letter donation request can come from the PAC, and potentially include Mrs. Sward's signature on it. There are gift cards from last Fun Fair, as well as from Purdy's will be used for Silent Auction.
 1. We need to make a decision: should we use Silent Auction? Or raffle baskets? Raffle requires a license. Each license is applied for separately, and a breakdown of the cost must be provided. It takes about 10 days to get the license. In light of these details, Silent Auction may make better sense, since we may not know the value of the baskets. Historically Silent Auction was more successful at raising funds. The decision was made to do the Silent Auction.
 - iii. Carnival games should be there. We need to have good prizes, maybe wholesale bags of lollipops, plush toys, stress balls.
 - iv. There will be a craft zone. It would be great to add indigenous templates.
 - v. Kona Ice is available to come out. They will come out to our grounds at no cost. And they will do a 2nd event, and give us back 25%. The 2nd date can be used for Sports day, or as a Gr5 fundraiser.
 - vi. Arcade truck can hold up to 24 kids at once. The ticket gives you 10 minutes in the truck. They are also available on the Fun Fair date.
- The objective is to keep a lot of activities inside, just in case it rains. Two portables that are not used for classrooms, LLC, library and gym could be used for the Fun Fair. The food can be kept outside.
 - Décor and Signage are the committees that we need, and we need at least 2 volunteers per station.
 - Cake walk can also be done – the last person standing gets a cupcake. So we still need to source the cake or a tray of cupcakes. We can do this on the half-hour mark, so that you don't have to line up and wait for this activity. Alternatively, it can be run continuously. It can also be a cookie walk. The kid could also stay and play until they win the cookie. Once the kids sit down on the chairs, you roll the dice, and what number comes up – that kid gets the cookie. Another kid replaces the winner in this game.



- It would be great to do away with the cash transactions – if we can use tickets as much as possible, it's the best. Maybe we can do Munch-A-Lunch sale for tickets.
 - Each ticket is \$1 → so when you do the bouncy castle, you'll do 1 ticket. If you do face painting, then it's 5 tickets.

Students from Bateman could come out to volunteer, and it will be hours towards their community engagement. Jen will create a promotion to share at Bateman.

- b. Growing Smiles maybe a good one to do at the end of the year for plants.

6. DPAC (Corinne)

During January 26th meeting the following was discussed:

- a. March 9th - Public Budget Information Night at the School Board Office. Next one is in Mid May.
- b. DPAC General Account as of Jan 26th was \$1,955.18
- c. DPAC Gaming Account as of the same date was \$9,055.72
 - i. It was approved to use the Gaming Account of up to \$5,000 to bring in Dr. Jean Clinton to Abby Arts Centre on Feb 16th 6-7pm for a Parent Information Night. Rising to Resilience.
- d. Open discussion with Assistant Superintendent Nathan Ngieng focused on "Fostering Middle School Student Success" and "Student Voice in our Middle School" that explored changes in the middle schools so students feel more valued and heard.
- e. Open discussion with Trustee Stan Petersen discussed Bus Cancellations and parent concerns. Staffing shortage of teachers in the district and a comment made about bringing in uncertified teachers as opposed to ongoing substitutes.
- f. If ATEP Parents have any questions they would like Corinne to bring forward at the next meetings please reach out to Auguston PAC gmail (augustonpac@gmail.com).

7. Committee Updates/Needs

- a. Traffic and Safety Report (Jessica)
 - i. Nothing new to report. The traffic cones haven't been put out in the last few weeks. If a parent would like to get involved, please reach out to Auguston PAC gmail (augustonpac@gmail.com).
- b. Hot Lunch/Popcorn Days (Lacey/Krista) – no updates.
- c. Yearbook (Alicia)
 - i. The orders will be opening up in May. We have photos up to December. Teachers are taking pictures and they will be shared with Alicia for the yearbook.
- d. Grade 5 (Jessica)
 - i. Year end to follow on the same day after graduation ceremony. The field has been booked for June 28.



- ii. Fundraising initiatives are rolling out: Friday Freezies, Recycling, Cookie sales. Please attend the meetings. The next meeting is on March 8 6pm online.
- iii. The sticker on the recycling bags doesn't need to be scanned. It can be simply handed in.

8. New Business

- a. Mr. Wayne our School Custodian is retiring on June 1. Executive vote was done to spend \$100 on a parting gift. He's been a great asset to the PAC team
 - i. Mr. Wayne loves burgers. If there's a good burger place, a gift card for this purpose would be great.
- b. AGM was scheduled for May 30th. We are moving the date to May 17th. Everyone who's running for the role, must attend the AGM.
- c. Spring Book Fair was Cancelled because it was difficult to get volunteers to run the Fall Book Fair.
- d. Executive Positions are resigned. The nominations open up on April 1st. If someone is not running, they can do the voting for us.
- e. Sports Day is on June 15.
- f. Concession is done by the PAC (clearing out concession from movie night, earthquake granola/juice supplies etc). We need volunteers to run the stand.

9. Old Business

- a. Book fair credit has been partially spent. Scholastic has good deals on several titles, so voting is done this week to order books for the classrooms. The librarian will buy the books using the left-over credit.

10. Question & Answer – none

11. Prize Draw - Congratulations to Haley for winning the Starbucks gift card.

Meeting adjourned at 8:17pm. Jen 1st Alicia 2nd .