

General PAC Meeting Minutes
February 28th 2019

In Attendance:

Executives: Carolyn Forth, Danielle Dunlop, Laura Bottiglieri, Renata Clements

Hot Lunch Coordinator: Leisau Clifford

Principal: Lauretta Fenrick

PAC Members: Erin Evans, Mina Sahota, Carmen Wight, Jasbir Basra

Meeting called to order at 6:30pm.

Adoption of Agenda - 1st Danni, 2nd Erin

Adoption of January Minutes - 1st Leisau, 2nd Carolyn

Principal's Report

Great details on what is currently happening school wide can be found in the latest NewsFlash email, including Parent Teacher Interviews, Smashball, Basketball, and upcoming Clayton Idol, Badminton, Track and Field and Games/Sports Day which is scheduled for June 14th. Park day at Langley Events Centre is scheduled for June 25th as well. We are continuing with our Family Groups, along with pink shirt and twins day events. Jump Start has started and Mad Science registration will be coming soon. Choir for grades 3 and up is on Tuesdays and our Band Concert is on March 13th in the afternoon. Our grade 7's attended Salish Secondary to sign up for their grade 8 courses.

Mrs. Fenrick attended a conference on Educating with Empathy

We are on the right track with all we are doing.

Key ways to build empathy:

- Build community
- Mediation with kindness to self practices
- Explicit teaching
- Growth mindset

We will continue to work together to focus our inquiry on how our community building is affecting our students and their learning - working towards a place where we can gather evidence.

Buddy bench update

Buddy benches back on the table as we have been given a quote from the district for a cost of \$1500 per bench, for a regular wooden bench, granted it is placed on an existing concrete pad. They would pay \$1000 of this cost. Option to have our children paint the top 3 wood panels discussed to make it identifiable as a "buddy bench."

Request for commitment of \$500 for a wooden district bench made.

Motion to pass: 1st Laura, 2nd Danni. Passed for \$500, if district pays the remainder of the cost which is about another \$1000.

Healthy Schools Initiative - learning evening - school received 25 responses to the survey
-All of these responses were yes or maybe to attending
-65% would like a family night - maybe have a combination of child and family rooms
-Healthy eating and mental wellness (anxiety/stress/resilience) are the most stand out topics
Please have a look and complete the survey if you have not, it is now anonymous.

Gaga Ball Court - \$10,000 - something we want?
Was agreed to be too costly. Will continue to look for other things for intermediates to do.

Answering machine for the school is now working again.

Treasurer's Report

Our general account is at \$8,778.94.
Gaming is \$6,535.57
Petty Cash is \$144.40
Term Deposit is \$6,306.51
Grand Total of \$21,765.42
For details see attached excel sheet.

Hot Lunch Report

Hot Dogs are coming up next week, our lunch monitors are helping to deliver the food with is helping our coordinator tremendously.

Fruit & Veggie Report

Apples and milk are coming up after Spring Break during the first week of April.

Old Business

Buddy Benches re visited as school district has offered to pay a large portion of a regular school bench and allow us to paint some of it to make it a "buddy bench." \$500 committed to for this project.

Peer Mediators for recess and lunch time a no go at this time. Only 3 applications from grade 6 & 7 students received which is not enough to make the program work. Mrs. Fenrick will try and speak to the older children again to get more interested, however may have to be postponed for next school year.

The Fruit & Veggie Sales Fundraiser put on by a few of our teachers was not easy and not very successful sadly. Some children did get a discount towards a field trip from some of the profits, thank you to those who participated.

New Business

Paint Me A Sign Fundraiser coming up March 15th. We will make \$15 per person who attends! Please join us, and look for the email or notice for link to purchase tickets * update thank you to those who participated, we made \$195.00.

Book Fair coming up April 10th

Perogie Sales coming up in April as well (dairy and gluten free options)

Talk of bottle drive, hanging basket sales for fundraising in the spring to come.

Open Forum

Discussion of where to possibly place the new school bench. It would be for the primary students, as older intermediates would not utilize it but some may be tasked with monitoring it for children who need help joining groups/finding a friend etc.

Discussion as to what we can do to help intermediates enjoy active play and have things to do during breaks. We have a need for balls and various sports equipment. Donations of various balls to the school would be appreciated. PAC has \$500 allotted as well for balls and equipment.

Meeting adjourned at 8:00 pm.