



École Irvine Elementary School

PAC Annotated Agenda

November 9, 2022 (7:08 pm to 8:41 pm)

Participants: Kathryn Berry-Einarson, Marc Fernandez, Marie-Eve Kirkpatrick, Michaela Ross, Kathy Simmonds, Shawna Vincenzi, Pauline, Dennis Shannon, Zi Mensah, Janae Walters, Eleanor Tso, Kristell Keely, Melissa Rhal, Louise Farrell, Briana Peddle, Colleen Morel, Emily Luney, Tara Torrell, Jassi Toor, Harpreet Khangura, Jennifer Trumpour

Adoption of agenda – Melissa Rahal

Motion: Shawna forwards

Motion: Colleen seconds

Adoption of October minutes – Melissa Rahal

Motion: Shawna forwards

Motion: Colleen seconds

Principals Report - Dennis Shannon:

- Remembrance Day Assembly in the gym on November 10th. It will start at around 11:00am and will last for about half an hour. Parents are welcome.
- There is no school on Friday November 11th.
- The FSAs for grade 4 students have been done.
- The information about extreme weather events was sent last week.
- Volleyball has started for grade 5 students and there will be a jamboree at the end of November.
- November 30th is an Early dismissal day.
- Breakfast with Santa will happen on December 3rd. The deadline to donate for the raffle is December 1st.
- Christmas concert is planned and more information will be sent closer to the time.
- Report card will be sent on December 2nd
- There will be changes for report cards coming next year (sept 2023)
- There will be christmas activities such as caroling and dress up days
- The crane that was scheduled to move the portable didn't do it because the landing was too soft. They are hoping to do it on Monday. Renton ave will be closed for part of the day. The residents should be notified.
- Are kids affected by dealing with less outdoor space for play? Haven't heard of any kids being upset about that.
- There is a request for a gaga ball court.

DPAC Debrief – Michaela Ross and Marc Fernandez

- 1st meeting in person
- Budget
- Talked about the Education Series
- Superintendent report
 - Above average literacy and writing
 - Improvement in human and social
 - Work to be done for indigenous who live on reservation
 - Each school has a 4 page action plan

- Action plan should be accessible on website
- For the 2nd part of the meeting, 4 indigenous teachers in the district gave a presentation and guidelines for land acknowledgment.
- There are resources for the Truth and Reconciliation Commission's Call for Action
- The PAC should consider adding a land acknowledgement to the agenda for PAC meetings.
- People often share personal stories when doing a land acknowledgment
- Parent education opportunities can be advertised by email or Facebook
- There was one about PAC in October and one about online safety in November
- ICBC, the police and RCMP gave "thanks for thinking of me" flyers to drivers and feather reflectors to the kids. There will potentially be another event like this in the spring.
- There will not be a 4 way stop added at the intersection because apparently that usually causes an uptick of accidents.
- If anyone witnesses dangerous driving, please report to Michaela.
- Please be mindful when it's slippery and be extra careful while driving.

Budget Update - Shawna

- Shawna is thinking of the best way to present the financial information monthly, which is probably presenting the numbers spent against the budget.
- She wants to talk to the bank about the bank fees that are too high, she knows someone at RBC who she can talk to.
- Two signatures are needed for PAC checks, that is why the PAC can't send or accept e transfers although it used to be possible.
- One teacher hasn't cashed a check from last year.
- We got the \$7,800 gaming grant. The gaming account is used less often because of restrictions.
- Someone asked if we can put the money in something that would generate interest. Not the gaming money because the restrictions are very strict.
- The gaming account can't be merged with general because of the paperwork and report required.
- There was talk about switching to TD. Right now we are with CIBC for the general account and RBC for gaming.

Grade 5 Committee Update – Kathy Simmonds

- How much will the Sasamat field trip cost? roughly \$100 a kid
- Used to think it was going to be \$11,000 total but that's not the case
- The Neufeld Farms Fundraiser is set up.
- Someone asked for a recommendation of what to get from Neufeld : the cookies.
- It's too late to do the Christmas cards fundraiser. That would need to be organized in September. Blank cards or Thank You cards could be done instead.
- Fundraisers : door to door chocolate almonds sale and bake sale
- There will be a meeting on the 15th.
- They will be making centerpieces for Breakfast with Santa and sell them.

Discussion Items – All

- Fundraiser Ideas
 - Reflectors. Melissa brought samples. We would need to buy 250 and then sell them. Michaela Emailed to ask if we could do less than 250.
 - First aid course

- Pub night? To help build the community after covid. This would need to be done after Christmas.
- Provincial cocktails - order online with code. We should start this one as soon as possible and ask for how long we can keep it going.
- Purdys is set up. It is live now. The pick up date will be Dec 7th.
- The babysitter course is not worth it financially for fundraising.
- Movie night
 - There is no date yet. We need the machine and approval for movies.
 - We will also need a new blu ray player if we are not streaming the movie. If we go with streaming, the movie would need to be pre downloaded.
 - It might be hard to do a Christmas movie night with the Coast Salish concert schedule.
 - Coast salish is doing a movie night on Nov 25th
- Loose leaf tea
- Popcorn fundraiser (Kernal?)
- Fundraising magic - magic show
- Plants & seeds fundraising
 - West coast seeds fundraising- flowers and veggie seeds
 - Growing Smiles hanging baskets is a possibility although storage can be an issue. Hold off until Spring.
 - The Plant Place
 - Triple tree (expensive)
 - Urban Roots
 - Amsterdam (expensive)
- Carnival
 - Somebody needs to organize the carnival in May
 - Someone offered cosplay people for carnival
- Replacement Playground
 - We need to start a Playground Committee. Tara, Colleen, Michaela & Melissa volunteered.
 - It would be good to ask for an official letter to bring to companies to ask about fundraising for the playground.
 - Shawn offered to film the christmas concert in high quality and take donations for the playground to get the link.
 - Having a visual and more information about the playground would help for donations.
- A buddy bench would be a good idea for kids who are looking for friends.
- If people want to donate money directly to the PAC, they should give it to the school for tax receipts and the school keeps that money in a trust.

Adjourn meeting – Melissa Rahal

Motion: Colleen forwards

Motion: Shawna seconds

Meeting adjourns at 8:41 pm