

# École Rochester Elementary PAC Meeting Minutes

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Wednesday, October 27, 2021

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## **Call to order at 6:38**

Attendance:

Executive: Lucia Sousa, Brenna Biln, Grace Inoue, Jill Robillard

Other attendees: Cheryl Lloyd, Erica, Alice

## **Agenda:**

- Call to order
- Adoption of agenda
- Adoption of previous minutes: February & September
- Co-chair's welcome
- Principal's message
- Treasurer's update
- Grade 5 leaving committee update
- Fundraising update
- New business

## **Adoption of agenda**

- Motion to adopt the agenda. Moved: Brenna, Second: Lucia, carried.

## **Adoption of previous minutes**

- Motion to adopt the minutes from the February and September PAC meetings. Moved: Grace, Second: Lucia, carried.

## **Co-chair's welcome**

- Lucia welcomed people to the PAC meeting.

## **Principal's message**

- Principal Cheryl Lloyd shared a written report and went over highlights:
- Successful Parent-Teacher meetings. Much more conversation than last year.
- PAC notices by Brenna posted, no parent reaction yet
- If parents want to hear something. In the meeting or in advance for next week.

- Thank you for the money from PAC
- Halloween: thank you for pumpkins from Jill, there will be pumpkin decorating competition, & take pictures on Friday. Lots of excitement about the pizza lunch.
- SD 43 wellbeing framework presented. SEL & Mental Health committee, team leaders connected with all of the quadrants of the framework.
- Will use all 4 fences as visual reminder and involve community, each class will contribute throughout the year.
- Numeracy - manipulatives sorted on movable carts
- Students are doing announcements, acknowledgment. Strategy for calming down.
- Discussions about Rochester Hockey League, conversations for Jan what kinds of things can we do?
- Peer mediator group starting (gr 4-5) starting to help out. Used to have Maillard kids at lunch but can't now.
- Place maillardville started this week.
- Q – Christmas concert talked about? Not yet, probably after Halloween. Need to know with regulations are. Have to wait and see what the parameters and volumes are.

#### **Treasurer's update**

- Support teacher support, student services support, EA support paid out.
- \$330 from produce box fundraiser, entertainment books didn't run.
- Raise the dough at Cobb's is ongoing.
- Received gaming funds, deposited Oct 15.
- No other changes, but cheques input & output coming and will show up on next report
- No change to gr 5 accounts

#### **Grade 5 leaving committee update (Erica)**

- Focussing on hoodies. Template is going around and being signed. They have sizes, and putting together a letter and order to send out same day that cash online update goes in. Aiming for Friday or Monday.
- No fundraising yet. Didn't want to overlap fundraising with PAC, so will do it in Jan.
- Not sure if they will do Sasamat. There's only 1 week left in May. Waiving cancellation policy for covid-related. Hesitant, how much do we jump into, & pay out deposits. Wild & immersive was suggested.
- The biggest problem is transportation. Might be able to borrow bus from Charles Best what about driver? Lucia mentioned that Centennial has 2, they will book driver and let you know cost. Other idea might be looking at parent drivers but it's not allowed right now. Maybe by May.

## **Positions to fill & opportunities to help out**

### Purdy's dates

- Sales are not great and less selection than last year. There were some problems with site, requiring Purdy's ID code. They changed how fundraising portion works, tiered percentage based on sales, delivery is 5-day window. Cut-off is Nov 15, pick up is Nov 27

### b. Growing smiles (poinsettias)

- Bigger selection. Feedback was that people like to pick up both Purdy's and Growing Smiles at the same time. Cut-off is Nov 13, pick up is Nov 27.
- Lucia created QR codes to put on the posters.

### c. Neufeld

- Need volunteers (2) by November 5th to go ahead with this. November 12-26 approximately for early December delivery. They have gone back and forth on how to do it. Suggested running through Munchalunch but we would have to enter all categories and all items into it. Vanessa called and they have created a website where people can go and pay. It's a possible go. Haven't had any volunteers/interest.

### Scholastic

- They suggest it a week with 1-2 after school times/evening, would have parents help out during day. We need volunteers to run it. They are running in-person events. Issue about whether parent volunteers, and parents, might not be able to come through the school. Lucia said other schools are doing it, will find out if SD43 schools are doing it.

### produce box

- 4 families didn't pick up. 4 new volunteers signed up on the sheet. Sold a few more than normal: 66 (40-60 is normal). Considering smaller boxes, an all fruit box, or all veggies. Parents were saying they want more, considering once a month. Add the option to donate a box to a family who might need one. Cheryl and school counsellor can connect the families.

### Readathon

- Considering when as it would impact language arts program, so maybe build up to it? Don't want to interfere with Terry Fox (April), or Scholastic. Maybe in January but not during registration.

### Hot lunch

- Nov 25. Juice is ok. Cheryl will get numbers of students, not names, so we can include Rochester families in need for hot lunch, etc.

### **New business**

- Traffic Cheryl got 2 sandwich boards, donated by Terry Fox school to put at each end of alley about pick up & drop off. Jill will measure and get signs made. Someone would need to put them out and bring them in. Jill and Erica to arrange.

- Jill spoke with Traffic at city hall, they want a meeting and to come to alley. Also want to move parking lot and mentioned they could pave alley. Get signs made. Jill needs to measure. Someone would need to bring in and out.
- Skate, could we even do it evening. SD 43 gets better deal?
- Breakfast at school – Coquitlam Kinsmen? It could be combined with a special day, e.g. PJ day. Can be done as long as there's a process. Classes are no mixing masks off yet. Jill looking in to selling tickets and giving them a donation.

**Meeting adjourned** at 7:58 PM