



Eagle Mountain Middle PAC General Meeting & AGM

Tuesday October 8, 2024

7pm at Eagle Mountain Middle and on Teams (12 in person, 5 online)

Attendance in Person:

Administration

Andrew Graham (Principle) Jennifer Pank (VP)

PAC

Katie G., Julie C, Nadege S, Tracy, Adel, Sonny, Jane,

Regrets - Michelle M, Annie T,

Parents:

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Jane Woodward janewoodward@gmail.com

Arlene Spracklin akspracxklin@gmail.com

Colleen O'Neill Colleen.oneill@yahoo.com

Marnie Shachar marnie.shachar@gmail.com

Attendance Online:

Parents: Miranda, Dana, Nicole, Aaron, Oscar,

Regrets: Annie T

Meeting was called to order by Katie Golbey at 7:03 pm.

- 1. Land Acknowledgement** Katie Golbey
- 2. Approval of Agenda** Tracy Lindberg & Katie Golbey
- 3. Introductions**

There were a few new faces, so a quick introduction of PAC members and a confirmation of online attendees was done.

- 4. Approval of meeting minutes from Sept 10, 2024** Natasha Douglas & Katie Golbey

Meeting minutes were sent to Katie ahead of time. Reminder to send meeting minutes in advance of PAC meeting.

- 5. Admin Report** Andrew & Jennifer

Andrew reported that the mural inside the gym is finished. It is a combination of the Thunderbird (our school mascot and protector), the 5 indigenous animals that represent our teams, and the environment we are in. Kids seem to like it and it ties in nicely with the Mural finished outside last year.

Terry Fox Run was held today and went well. Also, an exciting addition was having Bob McGill come in and speak to the students. Bob was Terry Fox' teacher and trainer. He was with Terry during the marathon of home. He spoke about Terry and how he wasn't the most academic student or athletic kid, but with a good work ethic and perseverance he was accepted to SFU and also played basketball at a high level in high school and University. He spoke about how Terry woke up each morning and set a goal for the day. That he reminds himself that even when things get hard, that we can still work hard and persevere... Just Like Terry Did.

We have not reached our fundraising goal of \$13,750 for the Terry Fox run. If you would like to donate please go to : <https://schools.terryfox.ca/78491>

Enrolment has been submitted and we were allotted an extra 30hrs of EA support. We are hoping to add another teacher. Some changes to student services and teaming services are still underway, and although change takes time, things are progressing. Thank you for your continued patience.

The round about at pick up and drop off has been going well. Everyone seems to be following the rules and making it easy and pain free.

Jennifer reported that interim report cards will be going out on October 21st. Parent/Teacher meetings will be during the afternoon and evening of October 28th and 29th. Teachers will indicate if they would like a meeting, but parents are also able to request meetings with their student's teachers.

FSAs: Grade 7 parents will be sent information from the Superintendent about FSAs. They will be going on for the month of October. They will not be used for marking or grading students. Parents can contact the admin to opt out of these tests.

Phone Free – Staff are very happy with it so far, but we will see the true benefits in the future. Parents are asked to aid in the no cell phones during class time. PAC/Administration are looking into to inviting a speaker in to explain the benefits of no cell phone use at school and the link to mental health and cell phones. Possibly Screenager, Shawna Martin or Paul Davies

6. **Co-Chair Report** Katie Golbey

Katie reported that WhatsApp for the executive is up and running. We need an extra person to assist in going through the PAC email to ensure nothing important is missed. Nadege has offered to do this.

Gaming grant is received. Jane spoke with the music teacher who has requested new tables and chairs and a xylophone from the gaming grant money. Mr Conville requested a wrestling mat. It's part of the PE curriculum and around 60 students participate in wrestling each January.

7. **DPAC Report** Adel Cotchini

Adel reported that no one attended the last meeting and that it was mostly introductions and information about what the DPAC is. Next DPAC meeting is October 30th and they will be talking about accessing report cards soon through the MyEd website.

8. **Treasurer Report** Tracy Lindberg

Tracy reported that we received our gaming grant of \$10,700. Everything has just been passed over from past treasurer Stephanie Lyster.

We now have 4 signing officers: Katie Golbey, Michelle Malpass, Tracy Lindberg and Natasha Douglas. We have \$6,882 (not including gaming grant) in the gaming account and just over \$11,500 in the operating account. There is a small positive discrepancy but Tracy will be looking into that and will report back next meeting.

9. **Fundraising** Sonny Mann

Sonny reported that we're working on setting up the following fundraisers:

- Cobs bread (in progress)
- Return It Depot (in progress). We will be providing a number as the account verification that families can use to print off tags.
- Port Moody Liquor Store has a balance of just over \$11.00. Looking into policy around using BC Liquor with the PAC and will report back next meeting.
- Pizza Night (in progress) we are currently looking for a pizza place (maybe Plateau Pizza) to have a night where EMM families can use their order to raise funds. Considering offering this the 1st Wednesday of the month (excluding December).

10. **Events & Initiatives** Katie Golbey

Julie (on behalf of Oscar) reported on Hot Lunch and that if we are using the multipurpose room we need more volunteers to get lunches up on time. Left over lunches (absent students) will be collected by a student in each class and brought to the office. Parents will have until the end of day to collect their student's lunch.

Katie & Jane reported that the storage room was cleaned out and there were several useful items for the winter market and the tunnel of terror. Winter market - set up day will be December 16th and the market will be December 17th and 18th. Tunnel of Terror – looking for any Halloween themed items to be donated to the school. Especially from Anmore Mansion to get this up and going for next year. Grade 8 Leaving Committee – Katie, Nadege and Colleen will connect and organize a committee to get planning started.

Next Meeting November 5th, 2024 @ 7pm

Adjournment Meeting adjourned at 8:24PM