

Cedar Drive PAC 2022/2023 PAC General Meeting

Opening

The first General meeting of the Cedar Drive PAC 2022/2023 was called to order at 6:55pm on September 22, 2022 in the library at Cedar Drive Elementary by Erica Salemink, Chairperson.

General Present

Kirsten Albrighton, Kara Ramsay, Danielle Mitchell, Alex Josephson, Carissa Lohm, Aly Neufeld, Trisha Favre, Andrea Kronshage, Tara Ataya

Exec Present

Rick Dhaliwal, Erica Salemink, Kate Head, Queenie Wong, Stacey Gokool, Gurvinder Chima

Regrets

Laura Klement, Jane Adams, Katie Zoladek, Marcy Harvey

Approval of Agenda

Approval of Agenda by Kirsten Albrighton, seconded by Alex Josephson. Motion was passed unanimously.

1. Treasurer's Report

2022-2023 Budget

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Line 1	Grade 5 Camp	\$560.00
Line 2	Classroom Funding	\$3200.00
Line 3	Fieldtrip Funding	\$3,250.00
Line 4	First Day School	\$50.00
Line 5	PAC General Meetings	\$140.00
Line 6	Gifts and Honouraria	\$300.00
Line 7	Staff Appreciation	\$900.00
Line 8	Special Miscellaneous	\$400.00
Line 9	Performing Arts	\$2,000.00
Line 10	Life Leisure Learning	\$2,000.00
Line 11	Year End BBQ	\$1,500.00
Line 12	Dance	\$1,400.00
Line 13	Survivor	\$1,000.00
Line 14	Kilometer Kids Tokens	\$500.00
Line 15	BCCPAC membership	\$75.00
Line 16	Parent Student Education	\$1,000.00
Line 17	Fruit & Veggie	\$250.00
Line 18	Calendar Magnets	\$0.00

Line 19	Bank Fees	\$140.00
Total		\$18,665.00

- **Grade 5:** PAC gives \$10 per kid
- **Classroom Funding:** Every classroom and student services
- **Fieldtrip:** Usually school buses or in-class field trip
- **First Day:** First day back coffee for parents. Coffee and treats were donated this year.
- **PAC General:** Babysitting
- **Gift:** For secretary and leaving PAC members
- **Staff Appreciation:** Luncheon. Catered lunch since COVID.
- **Life Leisure Learning:** Tennis/ Hip Hop
- **Dance/Survivor:** Pending decision on events
- **KM Kids:** Tokens for Kilometre Kids
- **Parent Student Education:** Saleema Noon last year. Maybe online safety this year
- **Fruit & Veggie:** Provincial Program. PAC expenses include cups to serve food in and cleaning supplies.

Motion to approve the Treasurer Report by Kirsten Albrighton, seconded by Aly Neufeld and Andrea Kronshage. Motion was passed unanimously.

2. DPAC

- DPAC duties: Attend meetings and report back at Cedar PAC meetings.
- DPAC meetings are once a month. Some meetings are at Winslow, some will be virtual.
- October's PAC 101 is in person.
- Alex and Tara won positions by acclamation

3. Fruit and Veggie

- Will need a new Fruit and Veggie volunteer as this is Rocheil's last year.

4. Grade 5 Committee

- Fundraising for yearend activity
- Neufeld orders will go out in the fall and spring
- Hot lunch twice a month
- First meeting will be scheduled after gathering parents' emails

5. First Day of School

- Coffee and Timbits were donated.
- Some parents at the back of the school some did not know coffee was served at the front of the school.
- To keep up with events, read through Dayna's newsletter and follow Cedar PAC Facebook page.

6. Pink Shirt/Orange Shirt

- Orange Shirt were available for purchase at \$15. A Grade 9 Indigenous student from Burnaby South designed the shirt. Limited sizes left.
- Pink Shirt: Kindness Day used to be the last Wednesday of every month. October will be the first Pink Shirt week. May use district design for pink shirt this year. Old pink shirts kids have grown out of have been donated and will be displayed for parents to take.
- Kindness Assembly: A teacher used to pick a theme, sometimes a presentation, or an activity.
- Parents would like to see antibullying and diversity incorporated into Kindness theme.

7. Fundraisers

- **Art Created by Kids:** Card stock papers will be handed out at school. Kids make artwork, then Photo Express will create orders. Launch in mid Oct, and orders should arrive in December.
- **Provincials Spirits:** Place order online using the link, specify Cedar Drive, and 20% of sale go to Cedar PAC. Fundraiser is going on until Dec 15th (in time for egg nog drink).
- **Lunch Lady:** PAC receives a small kickback. It is scheduled for every Wednesday. (Should inquire about round up and “purchase for someone else” options)
- New fundraising ideas:
 - **Aly Neufeld’s cookie company (Designer Cookies):** Could be a fundraiser <https://www.designercookies.ca/>
 - **Parking Spot Auction:** Auction off parking spot half a year at a time

8. Charity of Choice

- Previous charity of choice include: Gabi Davis Foundation, Camp Zajac, Camp Good Times, Access Youth Outreach, Crossroads.
- Starfish Pack <https://starfishpack.com/> - created by a teacher from Abbotsford to address hunger in the community. They bring in boxes/backpack with 2 breakfast, 2 lunches, 2 dinners and snacks.
- All in favour of Starfish as charity of choice

9. Events

- **Book Fair:** In person Thurs Oct 20th. Open 3-8pm in the gym
- **Holiday Movie Night:** Dec 2nd, bring your own chairs/sleeping bags. Grade 5 does concession; PAC takes donation at the door.
- **Parent Ed:** Presentation on social media awareness, digital citizenship and cyber bullying in January. There will be separate presentations for students, parents, and teachers.
- **Carnival:** Saturday Feb 4th. Games in the gym with silent auctions and raffle baskets. Each division should “adopt” a game and be in charge of staff their game.
- **Sports Day:** Parents would like to volunteer at Sports Day again
- **Dance/Survivor:** Event must be split. It used to be mother-son/father-daughter. It has not been decided how the events can be divided (Odd/even number grades?) These big

events need a lot of volunteers and will have to be scheduled apart to avoid volunteer burnout. Some suggested ideas are Amazing Race and scavenger hunt.

- **Paint night** was also proposed.

10. New Business

- **Food insecurities** are identified through observations and parent conversations. There are many new families. The school is in the process of identifying families in need. School covers school supplies for some students. Other suggested ways to help families include holiday hampers and gift cards.
- **Security:** The school is mindful of which doors are locked to strike a balance between being careful and being safe. In addition to fire drills, lockdown drill is done once a year.
- When planning events, can volunteer parents talk to EA regarding accommodating needs? Questions should be directed to Skill Development teacher instead.
- May alternate general meetings between in-person and virtual meeting.

11. Principal's Report

- Rick feels fortunate to be here with the community and is looking forward to working with parents.
- Parents can reach out to classroom teachers about classroom volunteering.
- The school currently has 279 kids. When the extra division was created, space was built in to allow open spots for new students.

Adjournment

Motion to adjourn the meeting by Alex Josephson and Tara Ataya, seconded by Erica Salemink. Motion was passed unanimously.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:25pm by Erica Salemink.

The next general meeting will be at 6:45pm on October 19, 2022.

Minutes submitted by: Queenie Wong