



**Minutes**  
École Coquitlam River  
Elementary  
Parent Advisory Council

March 3, 2026

**Attendance:** Nicole Spindor, Tanya Wu, Tara Morton, Angie Morton, Alysha Hackett, Lina Grajales, Aynsley Pescitelli, Veronika Sakovich

**Meeting Called to Order:** 7:07

1) **Approval of minutes:** Alysha Hackett

2) **Approval of agenda:** Alysha Hackett, Nicole Spindor

3) **Principals report:**

-Student Led conferences were successful and great feedback from parents and teachers. Those that couldn't attend are able to connect with teachers and set up an alternate time.

-Basketball has started for the grade 5s as well as Track and Field for 4 & 5's

-Pink Shirt Day and Ninja Kindness were very successful

-Reading Link is this week, it is a school wide challenge (anyone can participate). One team will go and represent the school against other schools at the end. There are 5 books that the students are reading which they will be quizzed on.

-Spring Concert tickets are available to reserve we encourage families to try to come to the afternoon show if possible and to be mindful of the numbers

-There has been a lot of activity in the school with maintenance and painting (hallways and some classrooms) over the last two weeks, the refresh has now been completed.

-Learning Updates will go home next week; Nicole can help if people need access so please do so prior to spring break. If you need assistance (no one will be available to help over the break) as the office is closed.

-The teachers have responded regarding the PAC sponsored event. They would like to have small group science presentations ideally scheduled in May.

-Teacher Wishlist ideas: squeeze machine, portable Bluetooth speaker with microphones to go outside, microwaves for staff room, handheld microscopes, printmaking supplies.

\*Microwaves will be purchased with the funds that the PAC would have used for the coffee cart. Teachers will prioritize other requests and PAC can purchase those when a decision is reached.

**\*Vote to use the coffee truck money to purchase microwaves for the teachers - Passed (6 in favour 1 abstain) budget \$500**



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-Nicole has put in a request for estimates for the shade project options. These include the outdoor classroom as well as the option of tearing up some blacktop to replace with bark mulch and trees.

-question for Nicole about the student washrooms (there are no trash cans in the bathroom stall) Is it possible to put trash cans in the washrooms in addition to the one in the middle, as well as looking into the faucet timers for the sinks? Nicole will look into both items and let us know.

#### 4) Treasurer update

### CRE PAC TREASURER REPORT School Year 2025/2026

Meeting date: March 3, 2026  
Prepared by: Lina Grajales

#### ACCOUNT BALANCES – as of March 2, 2026

General Operating Fund - \$37,287.91

- To be withdrawn: \$ 1767.97
  - Strong Start, Subway, TCBY
- To be deposited: \$ -

Gaming Fund – \$ 4,555.97

- To be withdrawn: \$ 100
- To be deposited: \$ -

Playground Fund - \$ 13,561.60

Grade 5 Account - \$ 3,138.04

#### SUMMARY OF RETURNING PAC SUPPORTED PROGRAMS

- Classroom Fund: \$150 per division
  - Following divisions have not used the fund: 3, 4, 8, 11, 12, 13, 14
- Field Trip Fund: \$5 per student
  - The following divisions have not used the fund: 7, 8, 9, 11, 12, 13, 14
- Teacher Wish List: \$2,500

#### GENERAL NOTES:

\*In the budget we have \$500 allocated to tennis. This occurs every two years.

**Vote** to change the name of this allocation to 'physical education fund', or something similar.

**\*Vote to change the name of this allocation to “Activity Fund”- Passed (unanimous 7 in favour)**



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Item: General Account	Proposed Budget 2025-2026	Spent to Date	Current Balance
Babysitting (\$17.50/hr)	\$ 700	\$ 385.00	\$ 315.00
Social Committee	\$ 300	\$ 22.28	\$ 277.72
Classroom Funds	\$ 3,000	\$ 755.12	\$ 2,244.88
Teacher wish list	\$ 2,500	\$ -	\$ 2,500.00
Snowflake Ball/ DJ	\$ 1,400	\$ 860.70	\$ 539.30
Pac Movie Night	\$ 1,000	\$ 565.60	\$ 434.40
Grad Funds	\$ 500	\$ 500.00	\$ -
Christmas Hampers	\$ 500	\$ 500.00	\$ -
Strong Start	\$ 500	\$ 496.96	\$ 3.04
PAC Supported Lunches	\$ 5,000	\$ 2,680.00	\$ 2,320.00
Munch a Lunch	\$ 280	\$ -	\$ 280.00
Miscellaneous Admin Expenses	\$ 500	\$ -	\$ 500.00
Volunteer appreciation gifts (draws)	\$ 200	\$ 51.96	\$ 148.04
PAC Zoom	\$ 245	\$ 240.69	\$ 4.31
Carnival	\$ 5,000	\$ -	\$ 5,000.00
Teacher Appreciation Week	\$ 500	\$ -	\$ 500.00
<b>TOTALS:</b>	<b>\$ 22,125.00</b>	<b>\$ 7,058.31</b>	<b>\$ 15,066.69</b>

Item: Gaming Account	Proposed Budget 2025-2026	Spent to Date	Current Balance
BCCPAC Membership	\$ 100	\$ 100.00	\$ -
Field Trip Funds	\$ 1,600	\$ 626.67	\$ 973.33
December Treat day Charlie's Chocolate	\$ 675	\$ 595.35	\$ 79.65
End of year freezie day	\$ 100	\$ -	\$ 100.00
Dance Class (Hip Hop)	\$ 1,500	\$ 1,500.00	\$ -
Activity (performance, etc)	\$ 1,500	\$ -	\$ 1,500.00
Welcome back coffee and donuts	\$ 200	\$ 190.01	\$ 9.99
<b>Tennis* Vote</b>	\$ 525	\$ -	\$ 525.00
MISC (Cheques)		\$ 104.52	\$ -
<b>TOTALS:</b>	<b>\$ 6,200.00</b>	<b>\$ 3,012.03</b>	<b>\$ 3,187.97</b>

**5) Chairpersons report**

*March Hot Lunches/Treat Days*

- March 5- Little Caesars
- March 6- TCBY
- March 12- A&W

Please volunteer for hot lunch if you can <https://tinyurl.com/crehotluch25>

*Upcoming Fundraisers and Events*

- Teacher's Appreciation Week- March9-13 <https://tinyurl.com/creteachers26>
- Scholastic bookfair April 13-15, sign up details to follow
- Carnival- Monday June 1 after school, next meeting March 4<sup>th</sup>



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- Pedalheads code RIVER26- \$25 discount on any program and PAC gets \$25 back as well (code must be redeemed before June 30<sup>th</sup>). This is valid for any program in BC until August 31, 2026.
- Rocky Point Ice Cream gift cards, coming in April

**6) Input from parent's present**

None.

**7) DPAC**

-pac family survey will be distributed at the beginning of April and the results will be reviewed at the April 29<sup>th</sup> meeting

-safety protocol updates regarding Tumbler Ridge and protocols in place, police have increased presence in SD 43

-Kinsight free workshops in the coming months for parents' info on the SD 43 DPAC website

-Ben King (principal of career and trade programs) was the guest speaker talked about options for grade 12 students including trades etc.

**Grade 5's**

-Facebook group for all grade 5 families

-fundraisers: Purdy's ongoing and Growing Smiles coming up

**8) New business**

- Upcoming AGM/Bylaws

Next month we must elect an (Elections Chairperson) they cannot be running for a main executive position. Responsible for tallying the votes and ensuring that there is only one vote per household. If you are interested in holding an executive position on the PAC please come forward. Will put out details to families on social media.

- Tumbler Ridge PAC donation-will discuss as a group

**9) Next meeting:** Tuesday April 7<sup>th</sup>

**10) Adjournment** 8:02



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## **Current and Ongoing Fundraisers**

**Pedalheads-** Pedalheads code RIVER26 will give you a \$25 discount on any program and gives \$25 back to the PAC as well (code must be redeemed before June 30<sup>th</sup>). This is valid for any program in BC until August 31, 2026.

**Mabels Labels-** go to [mabelslabels.ca](http://mabelslabels.ca) and click “support a fundraiser” search for CRE PAC and get shopping. There are a wide variety of labels you can create.

**Return it Depot-** Walk up with your bottle returns in a clear of see-through blue plastic bag and put in the school’s phone number (604)-942-0241 into the express return machine- print out your labels and place them on the bags to leave the express return area for you deposit to go to the fundraising efforts. Don’t forget to scan the bag! There is a maximum of 12 glass bottles per bag and 6 bags per day.