



École Irvine Elementary School

PAC Annotated Agenda

February 10, 2021 (7:00 pm to 8:00 pm)

Motions to adopt agenda & February Minutes - both adopted without changes

Principals Report - Dennis Shannon:

- no major updates; will have more to report on after Spring break
- progress on new school is becoming much more apparent
- Initial district call for IM/IT equipment has come out; there will be phases
 - school has completed initial scan of what kind of IM/IT equipment could be used currently and useful for the new school and put in request for some new TVs.
 - anticipate call for laptops/tablets in May and will put something in at that time too

Grade 5 Fundraising update - Meaghan Burton:

- will get actual budget to Amara shortly
- anticipate only having to do one more fundraiser so PAC can take up other options they were looking into (e.g., Meridian Meats > giving 30% back on GCs)

DPAC Debrief - Michaela Ross

- DPAC changed it's format and will start having open roundtable discussion before the end of their monthly meetings to discuss relevant/important issues raised by members;
- two items they are currently promoting that are great:

DPAC 43 - 21 Day Racial Equity Habit Building Challenge.

- An initiative started March 1st, but it is not too late to join to facebook group to learn more and participate:
<https://www.facebook.com/groups/158235196064201>

FamilySmart

- FamilySmart is a 20-year-old organization which provides peer support, information, and mentorship to families of child, youth or young adult (0-24+) with mental health and/or substance use challenges. (Tri-cities parent in residence: Sarah Dover, Youth in residence: Moira Hazlehurst contact tricity@familysmart.ca).
- All services are free. No waitlist. No referral needed.
- Parents-In-Residence are parents and caregivers with lived experience.
- Monthly 'In the Know' (ItK) online discussions on topics of importance so parents can connect and learn. Access to online video library of past topics.
- Registration is required at www.familysmart.ca/events

Budget Update - Amara Garcia

- Budget with committed funds presented; anticipate having balance approx \$8000 in General account
 - this is not sufficient to cover general annual expenditures out of this account
 - lack of fundraising (unable to do largest event - fun fair for 2 years) has depleted funds
- still need to figure out how to spend the approx \$1500 from Gaming that will lapse this year

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- fundraising we are planning should help with general account

Amara

- generally like to carry over around \$15,000 so the shortfall is not insignificant.

Discussion Item: Coffee & Chocolate Fundraiser (Shawna Vincenzi)

- both fundraisers are well underway and we've had great response. Don't have an amount for coffee but chocolate so far we've raised around \$500
- need volunteers to help with sorting friday night and potentially saturday morning; also need volunteers to help with handing out packages on saturday
 - Michaela, Amara and Farbod have volunteered to help
- Farbod will have tents and tables for us to use on Saturday for set up.

Roundtable

Farbod

- anticipate the PoCo Community Grant instructions to come out soon.
- do we want to submit something? what would this look like? outdoor space for new school

Meeting adjournment - Motion Kathy motions 2nd Michaela