



PEXSISEN PAC Meeting Minutes

Location: PEXSISEN Elementary

Date: November 7, 2023

Time: 6:30pm

Attendees: Admin: Karen De Cicco (Principal), Ceilidh Deichmann (Vice Principal)

Executive: Kara Guan (President), Heather Morin (Secretary), Louise McKenzie (Treasurer), Jenn Thompson (Event Coordinator), Heather Fulmore (Fundraising Chair) Tory Davis (virtual), Melissa Austin (Hot Lunch)

PAC Members: Jennie Nilsson, Laura Phillips, Haley Larman, Jenn Adams

Agenda items:

- Call to order and territorial acknowledgement
- Admin Update
- President's report
- Financial report
- Fundraising report
- SPEAC report
- New Business: End of Year Event
- Adjournment

Call to Order:

- 6:35pm motioned by Kara Guan and seconded by Heather Morin
- Territorial acknowledgment
- Introductions
- Adoption of agenda motioned by Heather Fulmore and seconded by Melissa Austin
- Adoption of minutes motioned by Jennie Nilsson and seconded by Heather Morin

Admin Update:

- Parking - there is a small number of families that have been given permission to temporarily park in the staff parking lot. When other families that have not made arrangements do the same, it is creating a dangerous situation.
 - Families have also been parking/driving in the bus loop which is causing problems.
 - Request: There is supervision until 3pm, if you come at 2:45 or 2:50 there will be no traffic and no need to park.
 - In the morning there is supervision beginning at 8:10am
 - Parents can be confident that their children will safely make it to their classes/lineups without being escorted there by their parents
- Dec 21, written reports will be going out
- Informal reports - can take format of a phone call, interview or shorter written report.
- November 23 is an early dismissal day but not a date for parent teacher interview unless pre-arranged by the parent;
- Parents can reach out anytime to arrange a meeting with a teacher;
- Family game night was a huge success;
- Trying to celebrate holidays from all over the world - celebrated Day of the Dead. Spanish speaking students explained the celebration in Spanish and also in English. Next holiday will be Diwali.
- Remembrance Day - Remembrance Day will be acknowledged through a school assembly. Individual classes will be taking part in different ways - student driven.
- Map of catchment boundary for SCIANEW STELITKEL Elementary School on Latoria Road discussed (November Newsletter) (Happy Valley and Wishart will potentially be affected)
- Railings continue to be dealt with
- Art Cards - the art is looking great
- School continues to grow as new students join the school community
- Concert -February - looking at options - possibly both a live performance and recorded
- Handball has started - jamboree is November 22
- Looking at a couple of weeks of intramurals at lunch
- Looking at a school wide project to bring indigenous learning into the school - The Seven Sacred Teachings
- Respect club
- Drama club - a book is read, the children discussed the theme and then went out and completed an activity related to the theme
- Communicating out the school-wide learning themes.

President's Report:

- Registered for SPEAC
- Parent Education - something to be planned in the new year
- Virtual PAC meeting is up and running
- Gaming Funds - application is still in review

Financial Report:

- Sitting at \$9600
- Put out expenses - classroom funds, bought a banner, meet the teacher, music supplies
- Still don't have bottle drive amount
- Games night profit close to \$1500
- Receipts to be sent to Treasurer electronically

Fundraising Report:

- Purdy's has been launched and will close on November 22;
- Bottle Drive - still waiting for total;
- Donuts was successful;
- Night of Light tickets - Sunday November 19th tickets are available for \$5 (100% of proceeds go to the PAC)
- Art Cards have or will be sent home for ordering

Events

- Gift Day - December 7, 2023 (by donation)
 - o Volunteers are needed
- Pancake Breakfast - December 21, 2023
 - o Cst HALL will be in attendance
 - o Pajama day

Hot Lunch

- Hot Lunch has been going well
- Finalizing Jan/Feb menu
- Parent volunteers have been great
- Parents need to email hotlunch.pepac@gmail.com If they wish to pick up hot lunch from the school if their child is sick

SPEAC Report:

- Position still vacant

New Business

- Multiculturalism and ant-racism grant
- Spirit Wear - contact has been made and an on-line store will be created
- Pink Shirt Day - contest (shirt design)

Adjournment:

- 8:00pm motioned by Louise McKenzie , seconded by Heather Morin

Action Items:

- End of the year event - tabled to next meeting
- Haley Larman will be making the application (deadline November 20, 2023)
- Karen to determine where Gift day stuff will go

Next Meeting:

- January