

January 27 2025 – PAC meeting minutes, 4:30pm

Location: AE Perry Elementary School Library

Attendance:

PAC Executive: Malcolm Atkin (Vice Chair), Krystyna Smoch (Treasurer), Christopher Dale (Secretary)

AE Perry Staff: Cammy Plumber (Vice Principal)

Attendance: Katie F, Julia T

Meeting commenced at 4:38

Agenda approved – Katie motions – seconded by Chris. Motion carried to approve agenda

Approval of November minutes Katie–, Julia seconds approved -. Motion carried to approve November minutes

PAC Principals report. See separate document. – Available on AE Perry Family Facebook page.

Financial report:

Gaming – \$6095.01 as of December 31st 2024

General - \$15456.12 as of December 31st 2024

Old Business:

- a.) Adaptive bike grant – Mrs Cattlemole submitted \$2224. \$224 for an additional fee outside of the initial \$2000 PAC agreed amount.- total cost \$224.00 eta for delivery is Feb 2025. Julia motions, chris seconds it – approved – request for receipt to AE perry
- b.) December movie night – resulted in \$208.00 deposit to the general account.
- c.) Constitution and by laws for the PAC – requests to have chris and jade to get copies – moving to next months agenda.

New business:

A –Mrs Cattlemole has requested \$600 for her students to make a string art project. Moved to the end of the meeting for discussion due to another last minute request for funding with Mrs Cowan’s class.

B. Responsibilities of PAC during after hours events

The PAC has requested clarification to the AE perry staff for the following during school events hosted by PAC

i.) what are we responsible for?

ii) will staff members be present for year end carnival?

C.) PAC has worked on getting a Safe on Foods accounts – not yet completed . A member needs to sign up for safe on more rewards card account. This will allow for store to take a PAC cheque for purchases. There is no eta for completion. The purpose for this account would be used for mainly for Christmas Hamper donations.

D.) Spring Fling – March 7 –

PAC dance is planned. As no staff members are confirmed for assistance, the question from the PAC went to Vice principal Cammy on how to obtain access to keys for the school. We were told that the district office handles requests – further discussion next meeting. PAC also asked do we need insurance for events. Vice principal could not confirm.

E.) – Teams or Zoom for future events. Check with District PAC meeting to see if they have Zoom. Post on facebook page for a interest and investigate if we want to do this on a yearly basis. Teams does have the need for a Microsoft 365 account subscription.

F.) Register for A BCeID. BCeID – to be setup by PAC treasurer for gaming grant is required going forward. We need to know what kind of account we need for this request. Yearly review as per members change on the PAC.

i.) required to apply for the gaming grant. This is a reminder that the PAC needs to complete the BCeID to apply for the gaming grant this year.

New requests:

Block Watch request for to the PAC by City of Kamloops. The city has reached out to schools to see there is an interest in starting a block watch in the area near the school. A weblink to the City of Kamloops website is below:

<https://www.kamloops.ca/public-safety/crime-prevention/crime-prevention-programs/block-watch>

The PAC has taken under advisement and will share the Block watch letter on the AE Perry Family. Facebook page.

Mrs Cowan request for funding by the PAC for two gymnastics days field trips at Tournament Capital Centre (TCC) for the classes Padden, Semenoff, Hansen, Anderson, Cowan.

The PAC would be responsible for a portion cost of \$19 per student with an estimate of 105 students attending.

Target dates are scheduled for April 10 & 17 for the gymnastics day at tournament capital center (TCC)

PAC decided use be paid out of gaming grant funds

Motion to approve Julia , Second motion by Chris. Motion to provide funding passes

Request for \$600 for string art by Mrs. Cattermole class – Julia motion to approve – Chris Second. Motion passes. Approval funds to come out general. Account.

We further discussed responsibilities and exceptions for Staff during PAC's events

- Not a school host event – no expectation for staff to participate.
- Carnival staff assistance? – nothing is guaranteed
- PAC is going to make Request for sign up sheet going forward for PAC events for school staff volunteers

Will table for next meeting for further discussion for defined responsibilities.

Julia provided some updates from the School district PAC (DPAC)

She mentioned that the topic of using Responsible adults versus CEAs DPAC has brought this up to the board.

As some parents and guardians know due to an accounting error of 2.2 million from the school board resulting in a deficit. As a result of this mistake, the school board is looking to use members of the public to replace Certified Education Assistant (CEA). Some of their role is listed below.

Certified Education Assistant (CEA)

- A CEA works with a classroom teacher to support students with diverse needs
- CEAs implement learning accommodations and strategies outlined in a student's Individualized Education Program (IEP)
- CEAs may also help with record keeping, transportation, and communication with parents and guardians

Further details can be found on the CFJC website below.

<https://cfjctoday.com/2025/01/16/union-up-in-arms-over-sd73-move-to-backfill-certified-education-assistants-with-responsible-adults/>

The Movie license that the PAC is using for our movie day is not expected to be renewed due to the budget shortfall

DPAC notes from their meeting can be found on this website below:

<https://www.sd73.bc.ca/en/community-parents-and-students/district-parent-advisory-council-dpac.aspx>

Katie brought up Parent and Ae perry staff parking lot – people are going the wrong way into the staff parking lot. She feels that this can endanger children. All PAC members and VP Cammy agreed this is an issue, however the problem of enforcement remains Short of someone speaking with parents and guardians who incorrectly use the staff parking lot and park incorrectly in front of the school.

As a first step Chris suggested placing the newsletter notifications higher in the list of items and escalate to these concerns to the wider AE staff.

Adjourned at 5:36pm