

South Sahali PAC Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, January 21, 2026

Attendance: Allison Tremblay, Katie McArthur, Kelsey Olsen, Sonia Corea, Alain Blais, Jacqueline Ellis

Chair: Allison Tremblay

Meeting Begins at 6:30pm

1) Review of meeting agenda, adoption of meeting agenda

Motion: Katie McArthur **Seconded:** Allison Tremblay

2) Principals Report: Sonia Corea and Alain Blais

- Started Basketball, 6 teams: 2 tier 1 competitive, 2 tier 1 rec, and 2 tier 3 teams.
- The school is in the process of updating LART room, including building a sensory room. Students will be able to sign in, set a timer, choose activities that will support them, then go back to class. Sonia's office will move to accommodate this.
- Mid-year review meetings with parents for IEP's
- Sonia Corea will be off on Feb 3 for surgery, Andrea Dwyer will be stepping in as VP. First experience as a VP, has been a LART for 6 years and speaks French.
- Mme Bauhuis and Mme Wallace and Mme Magalie are both back in their classes after taking leaves.
- Greg Stewart spoke to the school last week about resiliency, Blazers played hockey with students today.
- Carnivale is coming up Jan 30.
- Maple Syrup candy will be made for students. Bonhomme costume will arrive to wear for the day.
- Next week is staff appreciation week
- K registration – 52 as of today. 28 siblings.

3) Funding Request:

a) Mme Shem – School meals – Fund sets of reusable cups – 6 or 7 sets x \$19.80 each.
Funding request \$150 (order on Amazon) – Approved.

b) Blais & Corea- Ask to buy lunch for staff for staff appreciation week next week Friday. Blais will look at how much is in the school account, and PAC has approved \$1000 staff appreciation for the year (usually used in May). Can be used, May will not be done then.

4) Financial Report:

a) Community Account:

- Dec. was a busy month collecting hot lunch fees from families and paying hot lunch out to vendors
- Starting balance \$72843.75
- Closing Balance \$84519.11
- Money out: \$400 back to school bounce (rotary), teacher allotment \$4680
- Deposits- Art Cards \$2638, approx. \$600 Mitchell's soup.
- Hot lunch – \$15,575.65 was spent to vendors
- Revenue for hot lunch \$29060.70 - this has drastically decreased (\$8000 difference) Did people order less? Did they not pay?
- Purdy's and DeVries cheques will be coming in soon.
- Wendy's did a great job with short notice – they could be a hot lunch vendor for us in the future.

b) Gaming Account:

- Opening Balance: \$8927.11
- Closing Balance: \$4179.16
- \$5000 for busing, cash deposit for raffle for seats at the Christmas concert.
- Adaptable picnic table and drama club have not come out, nor have goal post padding, library books.

5) Executive Report:

- Need more members for PAC next year.

6) Committee Reports:

- Hot Chocolate Day:

- Friday Jan 30, Tim Hortons - we are buying at full cost the hot chocolate and Timbits. They are donating the carafes.
- Will get a schedule for hot chocolate distribution from Sonia Corea – 15 mins at each station during Carnival.
- Staff wondered about students bring their own cup? PAC has them premeasured, cups are recyclable, etc. To be efficient, volunteers pre-pour the hot chocolate so it is ready when students line up. This would be a

management issue and would slow down distribution, along with cups spilling, being dirty, breaking, students not having a cup, etc. It is a great idea, but is difficult to support at this time. The cups used are recyclable.

- **Spring Event (SSES 50th Anniversary) May 8**
 - Looking at possibilities for events on this day. Will be brought up at the next staff meeting and have teachers join a committee.
 - Could be a night market idea with Gr. 7's selling items (as a class project).
 - Size of event will depend on number of volunteers
 - Having past members of the SSES community come back for the day
 - Talked about how two events (this, then the June BBQ) would be too much, and not enough volunteer support.
 - Event could be combined with the June PAC BBQ.
- **Ministry Grant Audit**
 - Not much to say at this point, still looking for bank statements.
 - Records may not have been complete/thorough.
 - Katie will look into this.
- **Online Auction or Value Village or Spring Plants**
 - Could be possibilities for fundraisers this spring, but not sure who will take it on.
 - M. Blais can put this into the Friday memo to see if parents can support.
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Meeting Adjourned at 7:25pm

Next meeting is Wed. Feb 18 online via Zoom at 6:30pm