

South Nelson PAC Meeting Minutes

October 11, 2022

Attendees

Dan Rude, Cheryl Lowe, Claire Philipson, Anna Sangster, Sam Van Schie, Dave Ellis, Helen Marshall

Motions

- Minutes from the September meeting are approved.

Principal's report

- Next meeting, we will do a budget transparency presentation.
- We will be hosting an open house. It will be on Nov. 16 (one of the early dismissal days) from 2–5 pm. Parents will get a one-page learning summary. The open house is not a replacement for parent-teacher interviews. If parents want to book an interview, there will be an opportunity for that.
- Does the PAC want to host and table with snacks and volunteer sign-up sheets?
- The musician-in-residence program with April Lavine has started and is going really well. April wants to be paid by cheque in two equal installments: one after the fifth session and one after the eleventh. The first payment will be due around Nov. 3.
- Artist Shayna Jones is starting a project with the Grade 4/5s on Nov. 3. Payment is half at the beginning and half at the end. The total is \$5,460. The PAC is contributing \$4,000.
- On December 15, the students will be presenting their music and storytelling work for parents.
- The Nelson Police department is doing a toy and food drive. We need to provide general details for families in need. If you can think of anyone who might benefit, please contact Dan.
- Superintendent Trish Smilie was unable to make it last week. She will be here on the morning of Nov. 2 from 9-noon, and any parents/PAC members who are able to make it are welcome to meet her.
- Halloween for Hunger is organized by the Nelson Community Food Centre. We gather donations and take them down. The children will be distributing flyers in the neighbourhood.
- Volunteer orientation sessions are taking place.
- Cross-country running race is happening this Friday at Lakeside. Leanne Douglas is looking for parent volunteers. If you can help out, please email Leanne Douglas directly.

Treasurer's report

- General account: \$37,857.23
- We paid off the pavilion completely this month.
- We have made \$2,317.50 (some credit card fees will be deducted) from lunches this year up to Dec. 16, 2022.
- The grocery cards made \$448.68, and we had a donation of \$218.27. The total profit was \$666.95.



Account	Balance	Owing	Incoming	Allocated
General	\$37,857.23			
				\$4,000 (Shayna Jones)
				\$5,000 (Artist in Residence)
				\$6,000 base amount for account
				\$6,392.00 (cheque for Save on Foods)
		Payment to lunch vendors (totals not known yet).		
Gaming	\$4,243.82			

Lunch report

- Ham and red pepper pizza didn't sell well, we will not offer it again.

Fundraising report

- Tanji to do the Purdy's fundraiser again this year. The ordering will close on Nov. 27. Pick up by December 10.
- Anna to do the art cards this year.
- Cheryl to follow-up with Melanie about the Shop Local Christmas fundraiser.

Follow-up

- Claire to touch base with PAC exec about open house. We will each write a description of our role.
- Claire to ask Kate if we have any toques left and if we can sell them at the open house.
- Helen, Dave, Anna, and Cheryl to power wash and stain the picnic tables.
- Dan and Cheryl to think about a process for the school community to apply for gaming grants.
- Next meeting, we will talk about upcoming exec roles and how to connect with kindergarten parents.
- Cheryl to put together a list of PAC accomplishments.
- PAC to discuss if we have the funds to accommodate any teacher wish lists.
- PAC to discuss another sale of hoodies and toques.
- Dan to follow up about the book fair with Amy Stewart.
- Dan to look into parent-run clubs.
- Dan to look into hybrid in-person and remote meetings.
- We need to focus on succession planning. We will write PAC role descriptions to circulate. The goal will be to have pamphlets and have a table at the open house.
- The next meeting will be Tuesday, November 8.