

North Otter Elementary PAC Meeting Minutes November 3, 2022

Minutes taken by: A.Kollewe

Attendance:

K. Chilvers (KC) President		L. Powell (LP) Treasurer
K. Savage (KS) Vice President	C. Leeper (CL)	D. Woelders (DW)
A. Kollewe (AK) Secretary	K. Wingate(KW)	H. Dunn (HD)
R. May (RM)	A. Gates (AG)	J. Sutlow (JS)
M. Nelson (MN)	K. Kissack (KK)	L. Poole (LPo)
	R. Al Lawati (RA)	F. Ali (FA)

1. Call to Order

KC called for a motion to call the meeting called to order at 7:03pm
Motion HD; Second LP. Carried.

2. Land Acknowledgement

Given by KC

3. Approval of Agenda

KC called for a motion to approve the agenda with addition of discussion on the Facebook Page in "New Business"
Motion; KS. Second; HD. Carried.

4. Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes dated September 27, 2022

KC called for a motion to approve the PAC Minutes for the Meeting dated September 27, 2022.
Motion; KS. Second; HD. Carried.

5. Message from Principal

Staffing Updates; Grade 1 teaching position Ms. Mason (Gr K last year) will take the open position next year but the numbers will determine a possible shuffle of how many teachers are needed in Grade 1/2. Ms. Threlfall is currently in the Grade 1 position for this school year. DW ran numbers with the district to discuss when we need to consider adding another division, but we should be ok for a while as there is room in the intermediate grades. Next year Ms.Sutlow will be in the school 5 days a week. Ms Donnely doing PE with the Grade 1/2/3 one day a week. Another resource teacher added part time, still short a resource teacher 2 days a week. TOC shortages are still affecting us.

Events; Assemblies are back. Had a rock and roll performance which the kids enjoyed, poppy choir is coming, remembrance day assembly will happen. Field trips are happening (Grade 7 camp, Pumpkin Patch). Volleyball is up and running. After Volleyball season, basketball will start up. Nov 25th is end of term.

6. New Business

a. DPAC Update -KC

Nov is diabetes awareness month. Many kids go undiagnosed, in children symptoms are missed or attributed to something else. There was a presentation by Fraser health.

Presentation by Aboriginal teacher explaining presentations that are available, 2000 self identified aboriginal students in Langley, only 30 of those are local. Gave some great book recommendations.

School trustee election happened, 3 re-elected and 4 new trustees.

Enrolment; Langley saw 1100 new students to the district this year, discussed continued labor shortage.

Donations can now be made to the Langley school foundation and designate it to a specific school (tax receipt given)

b. Use of funds ideas -KC

Gaming money must be spent on something that can be used school wide that isn't curriculum based. Last year we used it to refresh the line painting (basketball courts, four square and hopscotch) and the Photo Booth at the pancake breakfast. Last year we brought up accessibility in the playground. Looked at something that would benefit the intermediate grades.

Ideas were discussed of what we would like to see the funds go towards.

c. Treasury Report -KC

KC went over the treasury reports

d. Movie Nights - KS

Chairs and mats will be put out, no charge to come watch the movie but there will be a concession, funds from the concession will go towards covering the cost of screening the movie and supplies. Movie will start at 6, gym will open at 5:30

e. Fundraisers - KC

- i. Munchalunch – Ongoing
- ii. Scholastic Book Fair - Successful as always
- iii. Fresh to You Produce Bundle - will arrive in the next few weeks
- iv. Purdy's - Currently on, closes Nov 16
- v. Art Cards - Kids are currently working on their artwork
- vi. Holiday Decor - Currently on, closes Nov 15

f. Committee Updates

- I. Wellness – KC

Teacher appreciation day at the beginning of October went well. Got traffic cones for the crosswalk area to make it as visible as possible.

II. Greenspace – KC

RM has resurrected the green space with the help of some other volunteers, cleaned up the court yard, hostas were donated and lots of overgrown/dead was removed and cleaned up.

III. Food Programs (Breakfast/Lunch) – KC

Always looking for volunteers, please reach out to any PAC member and we can put you in touch with Cheri.

g. Facebook Page

Currently it is public and can be seen by anyone, it used to be private. There are pros to having it public but with Facebook changes there are some things that are less safe now.

7. Open the Floor to Questions

More discussion on fundraisers and ideas from the floor

8. Adjournment

KC called for a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:23pm

Motion; KS. Second; LP. Carried.