

PAC Meeting Minutes

Date: November 7, 2022

In attendance:

Principal -Ms. Debbie Stapleton

PAC President -Valerie Li

Vice-President – Jennifer Giesbrecht

Treasurer – Dawn Dyck

Secretary – Kristen Witt

Hot Lunch Coordinator–Lana Carrusca

Parent/s in Attendance – Suhki Cheema

Laurie Cazander

Monica Lindeboom

Jackie Day

1. Principal's Report-

- 2. Student and Family Affordability Fund:** Gift cards were handed out to families who expressed a need. Of the \$17, 000, \$12, 720 remains. Another round of gift cards will be going home in early December. Funds are being used for food, shoes, and to supplement or pay for field trips and hot lunch orders.
- 3. Food Support:** We have seen an increase in the number of families who are on the Starfish Backpack program, who are requesting school lunches and in the number of students who use the breakfast and snack program. We do, however, have adequate resources and funds to ensure that those who need it are getting the support they need.
- 4. Cross Country:** A huge thank you to Mrs. Cadwell for organizing this event for our grade 4s and 5s. The races were held at Upper Sumas Elementary on Sept. 27, Oct. 4 and 11.
- 5. Early Dismissal/Parent Teacher Conferences:** Both afternoon and evening conference times were offered to families to meet with the teachers. The conferences were very well attended.
- 6. Diwali:** Thank you PAC for providing samosa and a sweet treat in celebration of Diwali. It was great to see so many students and staff in fancy dress. It was a great day of learning and fun.
- 7. Movie Night:** This event was a huge success and was well attended. Thank you, PAC, for hosting this event!
- 8. Field Trip:** Mrs. B's and Mrs. Smith's classes went to the Apple Barn.
- 9. Halloween:** Halloween was enjoyed by all! We were able to bring back the Halloween Costume Parade and enjoy a variety of Halloween-themed activities. Thank you, PAC, for providing the popcorn.
- 10. Enrollment:** Our current enrollment is 216 students. We are anticipating the arrival of 8 new students over the next few weeks.

11. Noon Hour Supervisors: Pastor Lyndon joined the NHS team earlier this month and another Central Heights member will be joining us starting today. We are still in need of a few more supervisors.

Staffing Changes:

On Thursday, Nov. 3 we welcomed Kira Krause (EA) to our staff. She is here on a permanent contract.

Monthly Virtue:

In keeping with the Jackson 5, we will be focusing on "Peacefulness" for the months of November and December. Our bulletin board features a "Peace Begins with Me" theme, where every student, by making a handprint and adding it to our BB signifies their promise to choose peaceful ways to engage with others and to solve problems.

Upcoming Events:

November 11: Remembrance Day – no school
November 21 – 25: Jungle Gym
December 2: First Term reports go home
December 15: Christmas Concert
December 17 – January 2: Christmas Break!

12. Treasurer' Report –

General Account \$10,490.90
Gaming Account \$11,215.90

Coupon Books Sold 70 books	Profit \$308.00
Pizza Hut Hot Lunch	Profit \$253.32
Samosa Lunch	Profit \$-129
Movie Night	Profit \$538.02
Popcorn Day	Profit \$114.50

13. PAC News –

November 18-Wok Box Hot Lunch
Christmas Set-up December 2nd
Santa Claus candy cane hand out? Bring a donation for Adopt-a -Family for a picture with Santa.