

MINUTES

Dallas Elementary School PAC Agenda
Monday, Oct 19 on Zoom

Attendance: Megan, Jen S, Jana, Roy, Ashley, Amanda Robinson, Amanda, Andrea, Claire, Sharlene, Heather, Annette, Courtney

1) Approval of Agenda
Unanimous

2) Adoption of Sept 2020 minutes
Unanimous

3) Principal's Report

Communicating Student Learning

- First Informal Communication - going home October 19-October 26
- Second informal communication - Early closure Nov 19th. More information to come
- Term 1 Report Card goes home February 4th

New Staff

- Stephanie Read - LART/ K prep
- Mrs. Renee O'neil - .20 (Thursdays) grade 6/7
- Sandra Maskell - CEA Position/job share 2 days a week

Playground/Portable Follow-Up

- Picnic Tables arrived and partially (bases) installed - had to change locations on intermediate side
- Swings will be installed - haven't ordered/paid for those yet. Plan is for 8 bays to be installed in front of intermediate playground
- Portable arriving tomorrow, some carpentry work needed but the goal is to have students in their new classrooms by Monday October 26th. (Mrs. Brar return to her classroom from the community room, Mr. Whitelaw class to the new portable)

District Info Series

- Dan Duncan - Understanding ADHD
- ADHD - Video presentation - [Parent resources section](#) on the District website
- Many others resources on this site include "Parenting Through the Pandemic" video series by Katherine Gulley

Upcoming Events:

- October 23 - Provincial Professional Development Day
- Week of October 26th Grades 1-3 Pumpkin Patch Field Trips
- November 10th - Remembrance Day Celebration
- November 11th - Remembrance Day Holiday
- November 13th - Picture re-takes

Furtherance to attachment: Megan and Claire met with Tim Dempster on Friday morning to talk about the installation of the picnic tables. Because of the possibility of another portable being installed, the site of the picnic tables were slightly altered. The bases were poured and the seats are expected to be installed later this week. Importantly, Tim also confirmed that 4 bays of swing sets can be installed in front of the intermediate playground. A tree was pulled on that day to make room for these swings. Tim was saying that since the base can be built up instead of digging, it is not a problem to put the swings on the old septic field. This is good news as that was always the preferred site of the added swings. Claire and the PAC will look at the cost involved this week and get the swings ordered as soon as possible in hopes they will be installed this school year. PAC believes there is enough money in the budget to accommodate the ordering of the swings.

4) Treasurer's Report

Gaming monies – Received our grant at \$8420.00.

Amanda makes motion to fund the bussing for up to \$6000.00. Amanda Robinson seconds the motion. Passed unanimously.

Gaming Account: \$10,344.48

Main Account: \$32,930.81

We will have about \$21,000 after the picnic tables have been paid for.

5) Unfinished Business

Coupon Books – Still available until next Friday. Numbers are way down from last year. Total numbers will be known next week but it is way definitely down from previous years.

Bottle Drive – Wonderful turn out from the community. We are so appreciative. Will not know the total amount raised until the end of the week, but it will be announced as soon as it is known. Was about 8 pallets worth of bottles. Tentatively set another date for another bottle drive Jan 10th from 1-3pm.

Hot Lunch – Claire confirmed that PAC is welcome to run hot lunch in the school as long as there is fewer adults in the school and they have had their Covid Protocol Orientation completed. She can also organize some grade 6/7's to help run the food the classrooms.

Based on this information, PAC has decided to move forward with hot lunch every other week. Start date is unknown at this point. PAC is hoping to involve local restaurants to the Dallas area in the Hot Lunch program.

Fresh is best and Purdy's – PAC has decided to just run Purdy's this fall and save Fresh is Best for the spring. The information for that fundraiser will be coming out soon.

Dallas Clothing Order – Narrowed it down to Hansport. Jana reported it is almost ready to go. Just working out the final details.

Mabel's Labels – Will re-open and Claire and Amanda Robinson will make sure that it is advertised. It is appreciated by Dallas staff to label items.

Yearbook – Leanne Hooley has agreed to do the yearbook again this year. Yay! This will be her last year, so if anybody would like to train to do it next year, that would be appreciated. Amanda Robinson and Andrea expressed interest in learning the ropes.

6) New Business

Teacher Appreciation: In the past, we have done a Starbucks morning for all the teachers. This involved delivering hot coffee to all the teachers. During this time, it was decided to give the teachers a cookie and a gift card for a coffee in a sealed package to minimize the personal contact. It was delivered to the teachers today and Claire said the teachers were most appreciative.

PAC Election:

Jennifer motions for the following PAC Executive Nominees:

Amanda Robinson nominated for Treasurer.

Jana Hegyi nominated for Secretary.

Megan Provencher nominated for Chair.

Andrea seconds the motion and, with no opposition, it was unanimously passed. Congratulations to the new PAC Executive.

The **signing authority** for the bank will now change from Jennifer Strange and Amanda Russett to:

Jana Hegyi and Amanda Robinson. Megan Provencher will stay the same.

The **mailing address** for the Dallas PAC will change from Henry Grube Education Centre, 245 Kitchener Crescent, Kamloops, BC, V2B 1B9 C/O Amanda Russett to:

Dallas Elementary School, 296 Harper Road, Kamloops, BC, V2C 4Z2, C/O Amanda Robinson

7) Next Meeting

Nov 23, 2020