

MINUTES

Peachland PAC Meeting

Date: Oct. 16 2020 – 8:48 am | *Meeting called to order by:* Leath Strench

Meeting adjourned 9:52 am

September Minutes *Motion to Approve:* Leath Strench, *1st:* Rose Prexler *2nd:* Daeshel Heidelberg, *All in Favour*

In Attendance

Leath Strench – President	<u>Parents</u>
Emma Webber – Vice President <i>sends regrets</i>	Rose Prexler
Shawna Quinn – Secretary	Daeshel Heidelberg
Alicia Cardiff - Treasurer	Keri Firth
Ross Hett – Principal	
Moyra Baxter – School Trustee	

Introduction of New PAC Executive

Welcome to our new Treasurer, Alicia Cardiff, to the Executive team. Returning this year to their roles are Leath Strench, Shawna Quinn and Emma Webbber. Alicia Cardiff has been working with Vantage One to set up signing authority for the account.

Treat Day - Halloween Cookies Approval

Although the District has mandated no hot lunch program during Stage 2 of COVID protocols, Mr. Hett has tentatively approved a treat day for Halloween, allowing the PAC to facilitate Halloween cookies distribution for treat day. Currently we are still working out how to properly package the treats to follow safety protocols and minimize costs. Parents will have to pre-purchase cookies on the PAC website for their children.

Alicia Cardiff suggested that we ask IGA if they could prepackage the cookies in Halloween baggies so that we minimize contact on our end. Leath Strench also suggested that we may have to consider another pre-packaged source for the cookies to mitigate any safety concerns that might affect whether or not we can facilitate the treat day.

Communications

Leath Strench explained that there is a way to connect the calendar on the PLE website to populate real time information to personal electronic calendar accounts, which should be communicated to parents. Rose Prexler and Shawna Quinn will continue to collaborate on a communications schedule for our various channels.

Constitution and Bylaws Update

Our previous Constitution and Bylaws are 20 years old and needed updating. Moyra Baxter and Leath Strench have been working on revising the documents to make them more relevant and comprehensive, and to address issues that could potentially come up in the future. Leath Strench and Moyra Baxter explained, for example, that staff members at the school do not have voting power due to conflicts of interest. Also, we need to address the formalities that should be in place for voting, approving accounting records, signing off on documents, etc.

Leath Strench requested that Rose Prexler, our Communications Officer, should post these amended bylaws to the public through Facebook and the website. We are going to post these for a month to give parents a chance to review the content, and the new Bylaws will be voted on at the next meeting.

COBSS

We will need to vote on allocating \$500 to the foundation to go toward supporting post-secondary education for a graduating student at Mount Boucherie High School that was a previous student of Peachland Elementary.

Leath made a motion to approve **\$500 for the COBSS bursary for 2020-2021:**

First: Shawna Quinn

Second: Daeshel Heidelberg

All in favour

Leader in Me

Mr. Hett has been working very hard for the past few years to develop the Leader in Me program at the school and had recently suggested that parents utilize the resources online that are available through the program. The PAC has been given access to review these tools and the Executive intends to review these resources in detail over the past months and revisit this next meeting.

Fundraising

Poinsettias are confirmed for a delivery date on December 3 2020, and we will need to decide how to facilitate pick up in compliance with COVID protocols. Last year we started the campaign late, so we plan to start the campaign advertising one or two weeks after Halloween to avoid conflict in ordering with other schools that may begin their campaigns early. This will all be facilitated online this year through the website.

Book Fair

Details about this year's Book Fair are still being discussed, and the PAC will consult with Mrs. Hardman before communicating with parents.

Gaming Funds

We have approximately \$3100 in our Gaming Funds to support extra-curricular activities for the students that must be used this year. We can begin discussions on ideas for utilizing these funds, including sporting equipment.

Suggestions were made toward music equipment, as well as classes similar to previous years activities, including dance, Parkour, gymnastics, etc. Alicia Cardiff offered connections to teachers that may be affordable to the school, and Daeshel Heidelberg also mentioned that she would be interested in offering dance instruction.

Treasurer's Report

Updates were discussed, and an updated report will be available next week once our new Treasurer has had an opportunity to work with the Executive on the account documents.

Trustee's Report

Moyra Baxter expressed gratitude for the work being done within the District and the school.

Principal's Report

Mr. Ross Hett touched on developments regarding the possibility of a new Secondary School facility in Westbank. Documents provided.

Next Meeting Date

Nov. 13, 2020