

General PAC Meeting Minutes January 12, 2016

Call to Order 6:34pm

Adopt Minutes from December – Sarena, Rochelle

Principals Report

Chess, Lego, Boys Club (Social Skills Club), Floor Hockey, Battle of the Books, Grade 6 Basketball (Boys and Girls) have begun.

The library renovation is coming along nicely. We also have new white board tables in the library.

Just a reminder to be careful of where parents have been parking...no parking on corners and in front of stop signs. Any complaints can be directed at the schools traffic liaison Dave Gibson at the District of West Kelowna or Sherry Lund at the West Kelowna detachment of the RCMP.

Education Through the Arts – There will be an artist coming in to teach the art of drumming to Grades 1-6. There will be an assembly January 29/16 @ 10:15am. There are also a few more cultural performances left this year – parents are always welcome to attend. Please check the school calendar for dates and times.

Together We Learn newspaper to come home. It will showcase things like the new library, our garden project, team teaching and the new kindergarten class.

Grade 4 FSA – all students are to write the FSA. Any children that are struggling will have all support that is available to them prior to testing. Parents can request for child to opt out of the test.

Parents As Partners Event – Parenting Anxious Children with Mary MacDonald. Tuesday January 26, 2016 @ 6:15-7:45pm. Childminding available.

Treasurers Report

Advised of account balances

Suggested to start putting more funds into the playground account

COPAC Report

New career planning program for Grades 7-12 available now.

All About Me program to be available for Grade K-6 in 2016.

Parent Workshops

Teens w/ASD and Anxiety - Erin Rodier, Stepping Stones, [January 11, 2016](#), Sopa Square, 7pm. rsvp to Lisa Watson at kelowna@autism.bc.ca

Building a Bounce Back Kid - Raymer Elem PAC Hosting Amanda Swoboda fr CMHC - Tuesday, [January 19, 2016](#) - 5:45pm - 7:30pm - It's their PAC mtg but invite all SD23 parents, the event is free but you need to register, free child minding, <http://raymerpac.weebly.com>

The Hidden Strategy for Raising Remarkable Kids & Teens - Andrew Portwood. Tuesday, [February 2, 2016](#), 6:30pm to 9pm - Rotary Arts Centre, tickets at [eventbrite.ca](#). Cost is \$26.25/person or \$47.25/couple. Coupon for a free counselling session with Andrew Portwood in pkg at event worth \$126.

Meditation and Mindfulness in Relation to Well-Being & Families Living w/Autism - Dr Clifford Saron Ph.D., Friday, [February 5, 2016](#), 6pm to ?, Coast Capri Hotel, tickets \$6.16 to \$94.96, tickets at [eventbrite.ca](#), or see more at [autismokanagan.ca](#)

ADHD Inside Out Seminar - Dan Duncan, Saturday, [February 13, 2016](#), 9am to 3pm 2410 Ethel St, Kelowna, tickets \$150, addtl family members \$30/each, repeat participants, \$55/entire family, tickets at www.bcinterioradhdclinic.com

OKM PAC - Mental Health First Aid, 4 Tuesdays starting January 26 to [February 16, 2016](#), \$125/person, contact OKM office for registration and information.

Unplug and Play Week - [January 23](#) to 30, 2016, includes a SafeOnline parent education event on the 27th, Parenting in the Digital Age, see www.okanagan4kids.com or catchcoalition.ca

Events and Fundraising

Cookie Fundraiser – Ms. Buchanan's class won the pizza party. Our total proceeds from the cookie dough and catalogue sales was \$4,490.

In April we will need to start planning the Fun Fair. June 10th will be the date. Aimee will look into booking bouncy castles.

The next PAC Meeting will be February 16, 2016.
Parent Teacher Interviews will be February 4/5, 2016.

Hot Lunch winner – Kaleena

Meeting Adjourned 7:34pm

