



Shannon Lake Elementary PAC Meeting

General PAC Meeting

Shannon Lake Library

Monday September 9, 2013

Attendees

Malia Cater, Shannon Thurstan, Kristine Vodarek, Nicole Mauro, Kristy Fetcher, Christen Wilson, Kelly Scott, Amber Encksan, Cristy Slozka, Sherri Dodd, Melissa Weidlich, Rochelle Neels, Kerri Joyce, Selina Hickson, Mandy Kadziolka, Rebecca Ashley, Cherie Hauca, Lori Simard, Sara Gramiak, Cody Woodward, Andrea Pal, Ricki Kristunsen, Alida Privett, Jessie Bruce.

- 1). Meeting was called to order @ 6:04 pm held in the Shannon Lake elementary library.
- 2). Welcome to our first PAC meeting of the year, Thank you all for attending. Introductions were made of all who attended.
- 3). Principals report was presented by Mrs. Alida Privett and Mr. Jessie Bruce.

Principal's Report to PAC ~ September 9, 2013

Shannon Lake Elementary School

A warm welcome back to all parents and a special welcome to any parents new to SLE!

I'm happy to report that as of today we have registered 507 students at SLE in 21 classrooms. 84 of these students are new Kindergartens who had their first half day today, another tomorrow, and their first full day on Wednesday. This year those little people will have the playground to themselves at lunchtime each day: they will eat when we play and play when we eat! They will also have their own afternoon recess time from 1:10 – 1:25 pm each day. Any parent volunteers willing to come from 11:15-12:00 until we get ourselves established are most welcome!!

Kiss and Ride is up and running with just a few slots open for volunteers – schedule here and in the office for sign up. There have been parent concerns from Shannon Woods re: bus travel this year – also a request from Tallus Ridge for a car pool for an ill parent. A general reminder as well that criminal record checks need to be completed by September 30th. Forms are in the office and the school district pays all costs.

Kristine Vodarek is already establishing our Parent Ambassadors Program to facilitate communication from the PAC and the school directly to each classroom. Please see her for sign up, with my sincere appreciation. A message from our Ambassadors : \$40 school fees cover all school supplies at SLE as well as our cultural performances. We shop in bulk for what the teachers request, and it's a great deal for parents!



Looking forward to the PAC Welcome Back Barbeque and would request the possibility of a 20th Birthday Cake there for SLE J.

Other important dates include School Photos on Sep 23, and the Terry Fox Run on Sep 26 – another occasion where we depend on volunteers along the route – please see Mr. Bruce or me tonight if you can be there at 1:00 pm Freezies from PAC would also be a gift! J

October 2 there will be another Open House in our gym hosted by the DWK to continue the planning for traffic calming in our school area – you can see it's coming up the hill towards us now that the corner at Shannon Lake Road and Shannon Way is nearly done.

Of great importance to us all is the construction of Mar Jok, the new elementary school being built in the Rose Valley/Shannon Lake catchment and expected to open for September 2014.

Initial consultation with us began in June and our director, Dr. Rick Oliver will host a second session with us on October 1 from 6-8 pm at SLE. I'll keep you posted, but there has been nothing definite yet regarding any changes in catchment areas or processes for redirecting families to the new school. This is all yet to be decided. All new currently out-of-catchment families were given a letter at registration this year stating that they were accepted at SLE for this year.

As we look at fundraising for the year ahead let me take this opportunity to thank you so much for the hours of time, energy and commitment you give to this learning community! It is such a pleasure to collaborate with the loyalty and energy you have and give so freely to us all. On behalf of our staff I submit our requests this year for your consideration:

Field Trips

\$7605 (\$15 x 507)
\$2275 (\$35 x 65 Grade Six students on year end Field Trip to Thetis Island)
\$9880 Total request for Field Trip Funding 2013/4

Other

\$1000 (Tennis BC materials to allow teachers to teach tennis each year)
\$7000 (\$400 x 16 classroom rugs + shipping)
\$ 500 (Author/Illustrator visit by Canadian Barbara Reid)
\$8500 Total other requests

Total request to PAC for 2013-2014 school year \$18,380

Respectfully submitted,



4). Presidents report presented by Nicole Mauro

Reminding all parents of SLE that all PAC information, meetings and info etc is all on the school's website. <http://www.sle.sd23.bc.ca/Pages/default.aspx>

If you are unable to make a PAC meeting all the minutes will be posted as there as well.

Due to the catchment changes PAC will possibly be changing needing to find a few parents/volunteers to help fill the rolls next year as well as some already open positions.

Vice President

Treasurer

Secretary

Fundraising Coordinator

Spirit Wear Coordinator

Event planner helper to share with Joni

Keep in mind all positions can be shared to help ease the burden.

A survey was completed on the schools website. One of the main questions was day and time of the meetings. With the majority of voters, Monday was chosen as the best day with a starting time of 6:00pm. This has been implemented with the hope of having more parents attend the PAC meetings.

Kiss n ride is in need of a few more volunteers. If you can spare 20 minutes any morning to help out please contact Mrs. Alida Privett or see the signup sheet in front office.

Good News this year!

Walmart will be sponsoring SLE school this year!

We are to contact the West Kelowna Walmart when we are in need of anything. Example of things would be for our welcome back BBQ, Freezes for playday. They will also grant match up to \$5000.00. A BIG THANK YOU to Walmart!

5). **Treasurers report**

Gaming account	\$17.90
Bank account	\$29,814.07
Playground fund	\$15,000.00
Playground fund Interest earned	\$333.03
Bank account interest earned	\$129.59

SLE has applied for the gaming account grant, but has of yet to hear back.



For the last 3 years we have voted to put \$5000.00

Every year into our playground account. We have quite a bit of money in the bank should we increase the amount to \$10,000.00?

6). **Event Planning**

WELCOME BACK HAPPY 20th BIRTHDAY BBQ

- Bouncy castles are booked
- Sheri and Mandy will do face painting
- A big Thank You to Jennifer James preschool for sponsoring SLE with all the tattoo supplies.
- We will need about 5 volunteers to run the concession
- Joni will write up a letter to Walmart for some of our needs.
- Need a cake for SLE 20th Birthday.
- BBQ will be held Friday Sept 20th 4:30-7:00pm
- Birthday themed

HALLOWEEN DANCE

- Possible date October 30th
- Sheri Dodd and Christy Slozka will work together and coordinate details.
- Will look into having pizza again, or just a small concession.

MOVIE NIGHTS

- Christen Wilson and Kelly Scott will work together and plan details.

GIFT CARDS

- Will ask Julie if she still wants to run the program.
- At this point it is not doing so well. Not worth the amount of work.
- Promoting it well before Christmas to see if it will be more profitable
- The survey sent out said 60% of the parents would not use it.

FAMILY PHOTOS

- Fall and or Spring Photos
- Rachelle Neels will work with Photographer Lori Simard on the details and dates.

7). **School Planning Council is starting up with their goals and preparations.**

Looking to close the gap and reach the goal of 92% of our children meeting or exceeding in writing.



8). Parent Ambassador Program is being organized finding 1 parent representative per class room. Program will start soon.

9). VOTING

A total of 22 voters were present.

A). All 22 voters were in favour of \$15 x 507 School field trips .

B). All 22 voters were in favour of \$35 x 65 Grade Six students on year end Field Trip to Thetis Island.

C). All 22 voters were in favour of \$1000.00 Tennis BC materials to allow teachers to teach tennis each year.

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When possible PAC does give the school a little extra money to help with whatever is needed at the time whether it is for class rooms or other needs. We also voted on the question of, do we let Alida divide it where it is needed or give directly to classrooms

F) 22 voters, 16 voted in favour of letting Alida decide where it is needed.

G). 22 voters, 16 voted yes to give an extra \$50.00 per class room \$1050.00

H). 22 voters, 3 voted yes to give an extra \$100.00 per classroom \$2100.00

I). All 22 voters were in favour to give an extra \$75.00 per class room \$1575.00

J). All 22 voters were in favour to increase the amount put into the playground fund to \$10,000.00 from \$5000.00

10) Hot lunch will be running soon looking for a few volunteers to help out once a month for 1 hour on Fridays please contact Katherin Beselt or Mandy Kadziolka.

11). Winner of the FREE Hot Lunch for a month is.....Sara Gramiak!!

12). Meeting was adjourned @ 7:31pm