



Hawthorne Elementary School PAC

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Parent Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes

Date: Monday, March 3, 2025

Call to Order: 6:08pm

Adjournment: 8:05pm

ATTENDEES:

- In person: Stefanie V., Ashli O., Heather M., Tricia S., Mel S., Darryl P., Jenna A., Lindsay H., Anjel K.
- Online/Zoom: Mardie C., Kelsey H.

Call to Order Welcome Acknowledgement: Stefanie V.

- Approval of Agenda: Lindsay H. put forth motion to approve. Second by Ashli O.
- Approval of January 29/25 meeting minutes: Ashli O. put forth motion to approve. Second by Stef V.

Principal Report: Trisha S.

- The school practiced a Hold and Secure Drill (previously called Code Yellow) where the perimeter of the building is secured, but inside the building goes about normal activity. This would happen if there was a risk happening in the community. Empowers students with understanding of what to expect and why, allows them to feel safe, supported and secure in their environment in these moments.
- A lockdown practice will happen this year, an email will go out beforehand so parents are aware of what is happening and why.
- Lots of field trips happening in the school in the coming months
- School Goals tab has been added to our school website, it's now updated with our Math goals.
- Report Cards will come out on Wednesday March 12th, they are accessible on Parent Connect. If anyone needs a paper copy they can contact the office.
- O'Brian School of Irish Dance will be coming for a performance Friday March 14th.
- Ms. Stec is looking into Hip Hop lessons from 1Vibe (Mike Figs), there is availability in May & June. The price for our school is \$4500 for 7 days of lessons and 1 day of performance. Will be brought up at the next PAC meeting.
- Educator Performers online site called Kbam! - Look into Hula Hoop Girl, Duffle Bag Theater as backup to Hip Hop Dance. They all run around \$1200

- Angel brought up celebrating Vasaski in April (would come on April 14th) and getting in Bungra Dancers.
- Hardship Hot Lunch - Not sustainable to pay full price for food items, needs to be provided at cost. Would like to continue to support one hot lunch a month if PAC can change that otherwise families will be told they no longer get Hot Lunch, but will keep getting food security in other ways groceries etc. Stef V. & Jenna G. will discuss how to make this work while respecting the privacy of the hardship program.

Vice Principal Report: Darryl P.

- Basketball season just finished it was very successful
- Jump Rope for Heart just finished, we have raised \$600 out of our \$1000 goal
- Anti-Bullying/Kindness Assembly happened last week
- Grade 6's are currently on their skiing trip, Mr. Penny has been attending
- Grade 7 is coming up in April
- Track and Field will be starting in April for Grades 4 - 7

Treasurer Report: Anjel K.

- \$48,085.35 in General Account
- \$13,335.06 in Gaming
- Working on a new PAC reimbursement form where everything is submitted online instead of the old paper form. Tricia will send info out to all teachers.
- Anjel is working with Jenna A. on celebrating Vaisakhi at the school on Monday April 14th. Suggested bring in Bangarra dancers during the week. Darryl will help look into this as well.
- Mardi C. had lots of great cultural performance suggestions via Zoon. Offered to look into various companies for pricing and information.

Lindsay H. put forth a motion to approve \$2000 in the budget for a Cultural Performance (Bangarra dancers) in April. Jenna A. seconded. Motion passed. Unanimous YES by all present and on-line.

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DPAC Report: Lindsay H.

- DPAC Meeting was on Feb 24th
- Will provide Ashli with a report/update to post on the PAC website
- **Delta School District:** @ DPAC meeting discussed budget and approval. Would like to get everyone involved, hear as many voices as possible. There is an online survey for feedback - deadline March 14th @ 5pm
- Draft budget will be released on March 17th (looking for feedback on it)
- Presentation from Vision Zero on Traffic Safety and Hot Spots. Key Points - 22 people are killed or injured in Delta each year and Ladner is the biggest red zone. 52% are in vehicles and 48% are not; these do include bikes and motorcycles though. Highest groups are youths and seniors in these percentages. Lots of requests coming in to them for traffic calming, highest survival rate is at 30km/hr. Step 1 - between

2024-2026 getting more information out there and working within school zones and bad intersections. 2029-2030 want a 25% reduction.

- Adult School Crossing Guards - 42 employees
- Hub Cycling learn to ride courses from grade 3 - 6 being offered
- Active School travel - Walking school bus started at Gibson

School Enhancement Committee Updates + Reports

Fruit & Veg Program Update: Mel S., Grace B.

- Carrots were handed out last week, next one will be snap peas March 10th

Office Décor Update: Mel S.

- Mel will work for Jenna A. for Vaisakhi display for office

Communications: Ashli O.

PAC website annual renewal: will provide Anjel with the invoice for reimbursement

Yearbook Update: Stefanie V.

- **Yearbook Lead:** Jacklyn K.
- **Yearbook Support Volunteers:** Sarah C.

Sure Copy: local, can turn around yearbooks in 5-14 days

- > 50pg Coil Bound **\$14.84**ea (\$13.35 + tax)
- > 52pg Saddle Stitched **\$13.10**ea (\$11.70v + tax)
- > Tricia to connect with Jaclyn as well

Fundraising Committee: Current, Past & Upcoming Fundraiser Updates

Westcoast Seeds Fundraiser Update:

- Fundraiser closed on Tuesday, February 25th. Delivery of seeds within 30 days (pick-up at Hawthorne or on Fenton Dr.) Final numbers will be shared when they come in

Trivia Night Fundraiser Update: Jenna G.

- **Event Lead:** Jenna G.
- **Date:** Saturday, April 12th @ LCC
- **Time:** TBD
- **Planning Meeting:** Tuesday, March 4th
 - Create a timeline and action plan, Licenses (Stefanie and Ashli), Updates to follow

Bingo Fundraiser (Spring) Update: Stefanie V.

Event Lead: TBD; looking for lead volunteer(s)

- > Ashli will post a call for lead and interested volunteers
- > Saturday, June 7th is available at the LCC

Pedalheads Fundraiser Update: Stefanie V.

- **Registration Code: HAWTH25**
- Fundraiser is live and \$25 code is valid until June 30, 2025
- *\$25 off bike, trail & swim camps (Hawthorne receives \$25 each time a code is used)*

Grade 7 Meridian Market Fundraiser

- **Fundraiser Lead:** Aimee W.
- Meridian dates will run sometime in March/April
- **Grade 7 PAC donation** provided (\$500)

Executive Communications + Updates

Library Author Visit Update: Heather M.

Lee Edward Fodi: Went very well

- Students were engaged, inspired and enjoyed themselves. All grades participated

Sexual Health Educator Update

- **Parent Info Session:** Feb 26th @ 6:30pm
- **School Sessions:** March 10th, 13th & 14th
- **Lindsay H.**
- Advised DPAC has appointed a Sexual Health Liaison and is working on a document that outlines all Sexual Health Educators, their education, curriculum content and other pertinent information.
- Advised DPAC has been working on this support document since September 2024 and has been building on it. Some information has been shared in regards to educators/programs and DPAC has booked some educators to attend DPAC meetings to share more information and answer questions.
- Advised on concerns that were shared at the last DPAC meeting in regards to various concerns that have brought forward surrounding sexual health content due and educators, including Saleema Noon.
- Advised that she has somewhat become the school liaison for sexual health and will share all information as comes in for DPAC and do her best to answer any questions that the PAC membership, parent/guardians, or school staff/administration has.
- **Tricia S.**
- Advised that she did not feel comfortable bringing the decision between 3 Sexual Health Educators to a parent vote as she does not feel comfortable bringing in any other sexual health educator aside from Saleema Noon, or an educator who works for/with Saleema Noon. Advised that the majority of the teachers share similar feelings about only wanting Saleema Noon.
- Advised that she was unable to locate alternate sexual health educators online or by word of mouth. She reached out to other schools, colleagues and administrators,

and was unable to find/receive any information on any other sexual health educators as Saleema Noon appears to be the only one used in Delta. Shared concerns/reservations about the content and curriculums of alternative sexual health educators, aside from Saleema Noon.

- Advised that the school/administration makes the decision of who is to be brought in / voted on and not the PAC.
- Advised Swell was going in the right direction and the presentation was great but there are concerns about the approach and philosophy of "meeting students where they are at" vs following the same curriculum for students in each age group.
- Declined to have a sexual health educator/sexual health education brought in annually. Feels comfortable with bringing it in every two years, as we have been and as most schools do. Advised that the teachers prefer every two years as well.
- Advised that she is open to looking into other alternative sexual health educators in 2 years.

Outdoor Equipment/Basketball Hoops:

- Parents have advised that they have requested new hoops/nets
- One Family has purchased new ones (2x) and replaced them on their own
- Families have offered to pay; PAC has inquired about hoops (and balls for tetherball)
- Tricia will reach out to the District to inquire about hoops and nets; what can be done here. Unable to hang new nets as many hooks are broken off.
- There are not a lot of basketball courts in Ladner, it's a shame Hawthornes are taken down in the summer (due to noise/gathering complaints by neighbors)

Earthquake Kits for Classrooms:

- A teacher has reached out to the PAC re: fundraising for new/updated EQ kits
- She previously purchased one through a Holly PAC fundraiser
- Is this covered within the \$10 students paid the district for Emergency Preparedness? Emma Cross approached us with this fundraising option
 - Stefanie is reaching out to Emergency Kit Companies who offer fundraiser\
 - Tricia advised to look into to see what Mommy Pow has offered in the past
 - Will provide feedback as it comes in; due to recent events, this would be beneficial
 - Vanessa Heal; bulk purchasing items for school emergency preparedness bins

PAC Housekeeping

***NEW* PAC Reimbursement Form Procedure:** Anjel K.

- PAC is moving internal processes to electronic/online platforms
- Scan and email all reimbursement forms, invoices and receipts (with all required info/amounts) to: pac.hawthorne.treasurer@gmail.com

- Discuss the most effective way to communicate the new instructions, and send a digital reimbursement form, to all Staff/Admin
- Update: Reimbursements are moving to the new system; going well

Executive Roles

The PAC is looking to fill multiple executive roles for current and upcoming vacancies.

PAC Executive:

- > **PAC Chair** *can be a shared role*
- > **PAC Vice Chair** *can be a shared role*
- > **Member-at-Large** *3 positions to fill*

Communications Committee:

- > **PAC Communications Lead** *can be a shared role*

Hot Dog Day Committee:

- **Reporting, Vendor/Parent Communication & Ordering Lead** *can be a shared role*
- **Day-Of Lead, Volunteer Communication & Ordering** *can be a shared role*
- No one has stepped up as of now; **make April 10th meeting a social?**
- Ashli to post a call for nominations for any interested volunteers

Questions

Sexual Health: additional info/dialogue

- > Lindsay H. had some Sexual Health Questions/Conversation
- > Suggested feedback survey(s); will look into further as an executive
- > Need to clarify a few questions re: alternate delivery model and DPAC meeting info session; will update after I connect with Lindsay
- > Tricia will send out a schedule as soon as she can, waiting for a few things to fall into places and things are busy; very relatable and understandable

Fundraisers

- > Anjel K.: squares fundraiser (\$20 a square, \$1000 to the winner/\$1000 to the PAC)
- > Heather M: Stapleton Sausages fundraiser (Stefanie to look into)

Meat Draws

- > Stefanie V: Meat Draw at school on sports day (near the end)
- > Ashli O: Meat Draw at trivia night
- > Lindsay H: Has a meat draw contact who can assist/run this on our behalf
- > Require licenses; Ashli and Stefanie to look into

Meeting Adjournment: 8:05pm