**Prospect Lake Elementary PAC Meeting Minutes**

Thursday January 18, 7:00 – 8:30 pm

**In Attendance:** Alicia, Tynke, Shelly, Andrea, Ian, Tracy, Jon, Nina, Desiree, Carolyn, Wendy, Harp, Sheri, Jenny, Liesbeth, Nina, Andrea, Holly, Suzanne, Cameron, Derrick.

**Welcome, Introductions, Approval of Minutes & Agenda, Meeting reminders.**

Territorial acknowledgement. Happy New Year to everyone. The PAC feels fortunate to have a large PAC-community, it is so important to make everyone feel welcome in the school and be part of our child’s education.

Motion to approve agenda by Nina, Suzanne seconded, approved. Move to approve minutes by Jenny, seconded by Shelly, approved.

**Principal’s Report – Sat Lail**

Jan 9 We had members of the Victoria Symphony visit the school, shared their knowledge of the violin and perform a number of pieces

Jan 15 Swim club started, there is still an opportunity to join in, Mondays 3 pm at Commonwealth pool

Jan 17 knitting club started, during lunch break

Jan 18 basketball started for grade 4/5

Jan 24 Kindergarten info night at Sidney Elementary 7-8.30 pm

Jan 26 family read in-morning (8.40-9.05) read around the school

Jan 29 Non Instructional Day, staff will be engaged in whole district inservice around the New Curriculum

Jan 29-Feb.2 Kindergarten registration

Jan 30 Mad Science visit program will start, program is full

Jan 23 Deadline for Hot lunch orders for the Mosi Feb 2 Hot lunch

Jan 24 Parent Math night at School house teaching

Feb 26 whole school skate at Panorama (1-2 pm)

Andrea asked Sat if there was any chance to do some kind of structured activity at lunch recess? Maybe Grade 5 leaders? Sat will follow up with Anita.

Alicia asked about funding for Reflex Math. A parent had asked why we hadn’t supported it and why teacher(s) were paying for it themselves? We will need to follow up with Anita about this.

A safety issue is brought up by Cameron about the structural integrity of the climber since it was taken down and put back up. It seems shaky and loose. Sat will follow up on this.

**COPACS report – by Alicia, in absence of Amy Greenfield**

COPACS is paying for six early bird tickets to the 2018 Vancouver Island Parent Conference (<http://vipc.ca/)for> any parents from our district wanting to attend.  Please let the PAC know and we will forward your name to COPACS.  The conference takes place Saturday, March 3 8:30 -4 @ Royal Bay Secondary.

The district is experiencing space pressure, particularly at the elementary level.  Prospect Lake, Cordova Bay, and KELSET, will not be accepting any out our catchment enrollment next fall except for siblings of students who are at the school.  There may be some class sizes that are out of compliance next year because of the space pressure.  There is not suitable space for a second portable at Prospect to relieve the pressure.  The district is looking at further measures to manage the enrollment pressures at the schools.

Wednesday, January 24 @ 7 is the Kindergarten information night at Sidney Elementary (7-8.30 pm).

White Road property- Central Saanich

The district is considering what to do with a piece of land that they own and would like the input of parents in the district.  [Here is the link](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdFfF60qnmV8TgCvT45Mre2vc-u7Fx9fr1vspucFKCPEB5FYA/viewform?c=0&w=1) to a survey. And for more info go to: <https://www.sd63.bc.ca/leadership-governance/white-road-consultation>.

**Treasurer’s Report –Tynke provides a quick update in Sam’s absence**

Fundraisers until now: We raised $2000 for dance, $2400 for art cards, 900 Purdy’s, 330 coffee and bake sale at the Winter concert. Red Barn cards (300) are a bit slow this year. Hot lunch has not made a lot of money but we paid for the subscription to hotlunches.net and cover some families in need.

So far we funded: 2360 class funds, 2400 field trips, 1500 artist in residence and other various items. We still have approx. $22,000 in the bank.

We are looking into a way how families can donate some extra hot lunch money when ordering hot lunch to help families in need.

**President’s Report – Alicia Pine, Tynke Landsmeer**

-ROMS open house for Grade 5’s on Feb 1 (6.30-8 pm, all garde 5 students and parents are welcome)

-ROMS principal will meet and greet April 18th here (2-4.30).

- Clothing sales (T-shirts). If Grade 5’s are ordering do we as a PAC want to offer to the school as well? Jon to check if Grade 5’s are ordering and get back to us.

- Purdy’s – Easter sales, Holly will do

- Spring Flowers. We have always gone through C&C Growers. ROMS went with Wildwood last year and were happier with the product. Less expensive as well. Perhaps we should look into Wildwood and do a Mother’s Day plant sale. If anyone is willing to help organize, please let us know.

- Spring Art Cards- Shelly will organize again. We will go with smaller cards 3x5 for the Spring as opposed to the large ones we do at Christmas.

- Spring Fair – On Thurs May 17, because we are leading in to a long weekend. Looking for a similar vibe to last year. Hoping for the same sunny weather. Basket raffle (themes per class), Games2U, Cake walk, Concession, ride on animals (like in the mall), dunk tank…

- Leads. Anyone who is happy to take a lead in either Cake walk, Dunk Tank or help otherwise, please let Tynke or Alicia know. We will likely do a bbq like last year.

- Staff Appreciation Lunch – we want to aim for April as June gets busy. Proposed date is Friday April 27. Staff is now 35-40 people. We try to decorate it nicely and do a good job for the staff. Possible theme for this year- Asian, Summer bbq, farm to table? We will use sign up genius to organize. We can host in the library or gym. We can use the gym and make it nice. Tynke to confirm with Anita. Please let us know if you have nice ideas, want to help organize or help with flower arrangements.

**Upcoming PAC Meetings:**

Tues, Feb 13, 2018

Tues, March 13, 2018

Tues, April 17

Tues, May 22

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Your PAC Executive

• Members at Large – Suzanne Richards, Ian Hallas, Andrea Rantucci

• COPACS Liaison – Amy Greenfield

• Secretary – Tracy Johns

• Communications – Victoria Santiago

• Grade 5 liaison - Jon Waters

• Treasurer – Sam Beecher

• Vice President – Shelly McIntyre

• Co-President – Alicia Pine & Tynke Landsmeer

Please help us raise funds for your children and school with these ongoing fundraisers:

• Please save your receipts from Country Grocer and your Canadian Tire money. Place them in the bin on Secretary, Mrs. Blackwell’s desk

• If you shop at Cob’s Bread, please mention Prospect Lake School before you pay. 5% of what you spend comes back to the school.

• If you shop at Peninsula Co-op or buy gas at Save on Gas, please quote membership number #79184

• Red Barn gift cards: we offer these for sale each month and Red Barn gives the school 10% back.

• Please make sure to thank these local businesses for the support they provide our school.