

Strathcona Elementary School Advisory Council  
General Meeting Minutes (Final)  
Oct 27, 2020  
Zoom Meeting

1. Call to Order, Welcome and Introductions.

Attendees: Tanya Rath, Maria Jenner, Adel Klassen, Tara Lanyon, Jonathan Ferris, Kim Kass, Nicole Toews, Thomas Neely, Kristy May, Bouchra Brummell, Barbara Dekkers, Kristy Vandenbosch, Jonathan Funk, Jessica Clarke.

2. Approval of Sept 29, 2020 General Meeting Minutes.

Motion to Approve – Adel Klassen, 2<sup>nd</sup> – Tara Lanyon, All Approve

Approval of AGM – Motion to Approve – Tara Lanyon, 2<sup>nd</sup> – Bouchra Brummell, All Approve

3. Reports.

Treasurer – General Account - \$17,409.43, Gaming Account - \$8,969.85,  
Playground Account - \$11,112.42, Technology Account - \$11,112.42

Principal

Strong Start – Opened successfully

Costume Day – Oct 28 – students are permitted to wear costumes, no masks or anything bloody and gory

D.E.A.R. (Drop Everything and Read) – Nov 6

Remembrance Day – Nov 10 – District wide virtual assembly

Assessment Professional Day – Nov 16 – Reading, Writing and Numeracy – assessments done by teachers, no school for students

Rainbow Crosswalk – the front crosswalk has been chosen

Barbara Dekkers raised a concern – some visually impaired students may not be able to see the colours, and they would require the white lines to recognize the crosswalk.

Question: Will the white lines be included around the colours?

Answer: Yes, the outline would remain white

Covid-19 Reminders are sent to students to go straight home after school, as to not mix cohorts

Streetwise

Ongoing concerns on Clare Ave/Crystal Dr.

- People Parking right at the catwalk
- Advance warning and crosswalk signs are requested
- There's only one 30km sign, and it's hidden
- Requesting a white painted grid in the intersection to bring awareness

Killarney St – adding a crosswalk to parallel Strathcona Rd

- Add back into the conversation to Streetwise

- People still parking at the Killarney Stop line and beside the fire hydrant on the opposite corner.

Tara has contacted Sam Piper and bylaw has been out three times since September, monitoring parking in the bikes lanes.

Tanya to invite Sam Piper to a Streetwise Committee Meeting

Tanya to look into 4 PAC Safety Vests – “Strathcona Parent Volunteer”

Tara volunteered to handle a sign out sheet, parent volunteers can hold on to their vests for the year and turn them back in to Tara at years end.

#### 4. Old and Ongoing Business

GLCB – 172 books sold, \$1800 raised last year

Fundraising letters for funding requests: asking teachers to give a reasonable time frame

#### 5. New Business

Trustee Requests to attend a PAC Meeting

Trustee Dan Coulter is Strathcona Elementary Schools Trustee this year – this will be a non-issue as it is planned he will step down after this election if he wins.

PAC will wait to see if we are in limbo or receive a new Trustee.

Christmas Sale – Cancelled. Proceeds usually go towards the Angel Tree

Motion to Approve \$500.00 taken from General Account – Tanya Rath

2<sup>nd</sup> – Lisa Ball, All Approve

Fundraisers – Masks fundraiser – Tanya looked into 2 options. Staples - \$2.95 each for 500,

A company in the Tricities area- \$6.80 per mask with a logo, profit would be \$5 per mask.

Tanya to look into getting samples from both companies to look at quality.

Adel to discuss Survey Monkey on Facebook with Christopher Lister to see if there’s any interest from parents.

Worlds Finest Chocolates – they have no Covid-19 plan

Purdys Chocolate Fundraiser – Motion to Approve online Purdys Fundraiser – Jonathan Funk,

2<sup>nd</sup> – Lisa Ball, All Approve

If Purdys does well now, there’s a possibility of running it again for Easter

Tanya, Tara, Adel and Barbara to help organize and distribute

Fundraising goals – enhance and broaden the experience for kids to take away from school

- Make it measurable and attainable
- Make it relevant
- Time based

Carnival – Feb/March – what would parents like to see? Come to a PAC Meeting to discuss ideas

#### Garden

- Phase 1 – garden area, a grant was given and PAC funded as well
- Phase 2 – possibly achieving an outdoor learning space?
- Possibly an outdoor covered area for outdoor classroom instruction

Funding Request – Field Trips and bussing – Motion to Approve \$10.00 per student out of the Gaming Account – Tanya Rath, 2<sup>nd</sup> – Nicole Toews, All Approve.

Motion to Approve \$2000.00 for Petty Cash – All Approve

Motion to Approve \$200.00 towards Grade 5 Grad – Nicole Toews, 2<sup>nd</sup> – Lisa Ball, All Approve

Library – Christopher Lister – chairs. Couch has been removed from the library as it was falling apart, new furniture is needed. Motion to table to a future date.

Webcam (\$250.00) and handheld microphone (\$150.00) for virtual field trips, to be compatible with our smart TV.

iPads – Jonathan Ferris and Thomas Neely

Motion to Approve \$15,000.00 plus taxes – Tara Lanyon, 2<sup>nd</sup> – Adel Klassen, All Approve with the notion that we will actively fundraise towards the final amount of iPads needed.

#### 6. Discussion

Tanya would like to revisit our Bylaws and Constitution and add smart goals to it

#### 7. Next Meeting is November 24, 2020 @ 7pm via Zoom

Adjourned at 9:02pm

Minutes recorded by Tara Lanyon