

Strathcona Elementary School Parent Advisory Council  
General Meeting Minutes (Final)  
January 28th, 2025, 7:02pm

1. Call to order, Welcome and Introductions

Attendees: Allison Phelan, Barbara Dekkers, Ritu Mann, Korina Gratton, Scott Fiddes, Mike Kotanko, Cary Moore, Maria Jenner, Holly Ewing, Melissa Wallace

2. Approval of November 19th<sup>th</sup>, 2024 General Meeting Minutes.

Motion to Approve General Meeting Minutes – Korina Gratton, 2<sup>nd</sup> – Cary Moore, All Approve

3. Reports

Treasurer:	General Account:	Currently sitting at: \$6,021.20
	Gaming Account:	Currently sitting at: \$0
	Technology Fund:	Currently sitting at: \$0
	Playground Fund:	Currently sitting at: \$11,547.71

Principal:

- Mrs. McIvor off until spring break
- Mrs. Beauchene – medical leave until spring break
- Welcome: Victoria- EA practicum and Richelle- student teacher
- Student total: 354
- Multi purpose room is being used for 2 hours for a integrated care support plan student
- Feb 26<sup>th</sup> – Anti bullying day
- February- Black history month
- Flags will be at half mast for important dates: Please see weekly emails for these updates
- QR Code (located at the front office): this is for PAC and the community who might experience an accessibility issue.
- Health and safety committee – regarding scents/smells: Popcorn Day: closing hallway doors, opening windows/outside doors.

BCCPAC:

- Gaming Grant now done online.
- Need an BCEID to apply for all future gaming grants

DPAC:

- DPAC Facebook page to find information on Anti bullying and Anti Racism initiatives
- Strategic Plan – find information on school district website
- For those PAC that use square readers an alternative: Zeffy.com

#### 4. Old and Ongoing:

- Xmas Sale: \$595.55 – money goes back to the school
- Bottle drive: \$84.90
- Pink shirt day: 1 hot dog, 1 ice cream

#### 5. New Business:

- Funding request Charlene Toews: \$65 including tax for a laminator for all kindergarten classes to use.
- Motion to approve \$65 plus tax for laminator – Maria Jenner, 2<sup>nd</sup> – Korina Gratton, All Approve
- Funding request Michael Kotanko: \$1700 for Indigenous Day.
- Motion to approve \$1700 for Indigenous Day from General account– Barabara Dekkers, 2<sup>nd</sup> – Holly Ewing, All Approve
- Melissa Wallace – Re: Road way traffic. Ongoing battle but would like the support from the PAC and community to go forward with making our roads/crosswalks safer for everyone.
- Worlds Finest Chocolate: no returns, no mint meltaway and no caramel
  - o \$3 and \$5 bars
  - o 200 boxes
  - o Need to purchase prizes and 2 pizza parties
- Motion to approve up to \$600 for prizes and 2 pizza parties for the winning classes (K-2 and 3 – 5) – Allison Phelan, 2<sup>nd</sup> – Lindsay Abernethy, All Approve
- Carnival community asking for \$10,000 towards this years Carnival for food, games and entertainment.
- Motion to approve up to \$6000 and the remaining \$4000 pending fundraising for Carnival – Barbara Dekkers, 2<sup>nd</sup> – Korina Gratton, All Approve

#### 6. Discussion

- Barbara Dekkers: a university student in the Drafting and Engineering program is in a contest to design an accessible playground. Winner of the contest wins an accessible playground to be donated to a school of their choice. If this student wins, they would like to donate it to Strathcona. They are looking for accessible playground ideas.

8. Next Meeting is February 25th, 2025 in the MPR at 7:00pm

Adjourned at 9:12pm

Minutes recorded by Allison Phelan