

## Yarrow Community School PAC Meeting Agenda

January 28, 2025– 7PM – School Library

Attendance - Dana Swinden, Madison Kuyek, Natasha Vandiemmen, Leanne Letham, Jenna Gardner, Jaime Kampman, Charlotte Debryn

1. Welcome/Call to Order -
2. Approval of Agenda -Angela Johnson 7:05
3. Adoption of Minutes - Dana Swinden & Angela Johnson 7:06
4. Principal's Report
  - Report Card Data: English Language - Yarrow Vs District. 12% in the school are extended so we are doing a really good job in that area. Math - 9% are extending vs 2.3% in the district.
  - FSA Data - if we look at last year's trend we have a little more extending in literacy. Extending in numeracy as well. Since Covid we are getting better percentages.
  - Primary Reading 30 - Grade 1-5 almost all of our kids are reading PM 30. Over 60% of our kids are on track. Parents are also doing a great job at home with helping our kids read.
  - SNAP - Our stats are healthy
  - Writing - we are extending and the trend keeps going up.
  - We want our kids to feel comfortable here and love coming to school. It's our positive support and kindness is our focus.
  - Mentor Monday - Fitness, math, reading. Every 3 months we have this cycle.
  - Candy grams coming up. We've been selling them for the last few years. They are \$2 per bag. Kids can come at lunch and fill out a form. The teachers will hand them out on Feb 13 since the 14th is a holiday.
  - Parent input - 1 parent at the meeting thinks that every child in each class should put \$2 in and then every child gets one. Another parent says that the kids get a lot of other Valentine's things and so the candy grams are just an added item. - Input for this is valuable so please email pac. A question asked was if kids could purchase candy grams for the preschool or daycare but these are only for kids in the elementary school.
  - Daily barks tickets are still going strong.
  - Mrs. Bauml is coming back.

- Food Cart - the novelty is not wearing off like Mrs. Debryn thought it would. She is encouraging the kids to only take food when they need it. Kids are sneaking the food. It is not for after school snacks. It's only for kids at school who are super hungry and need that support. The cart will be back in the lobby. We did have left over bagels that were donated to the cultus lake school since they needed more food.
- Underwear drive - New underwear only! Ruth & Naomi's asked us to do this drive as they are very much in need of this.
- Mrs Motz might be going in for her surgery around family day.
- Parking lot - Too many people still speeding through the parking lot. Mrs. Debryn put pylons out there to help people slow down. She also ordered a sign to help with this. Do we think this is helping?
- Mrs. Debryn put in a ticket to ask for the ramp. We are still patiently waiting. Our handicap parking space is not in a good spot so we will be looking at that as well. The cones at the crosswalk where Prairie avenue is located is also helping.

#### 5. Chair Report

- Fun Fair Committee
  - We need a committee put together for this.
  - Kaite says there are plenty of games here to use
  - We need food
  - Leanne has been gathering ideas from the lower mainland PAC facebook page
  - We need to get started as it's the end of January. If you are interested please let us know on facebook or email the pac at [yarrowpac@gmail.com](mailto:yarrowpac@gmail.com)
  - April 11th is what we're aiming for

#### DPAC Report – Jamie-Lynn Kampman

- Movie license from the district we could use instead of the pac buying it themselves.
- BCC PAC renominated someone. They are not from Chilliwack

#### 7. Treasurer Report – Aimee McAllister

- Aimee not in attendance
  - Popcorn day in December made \$125.51
  - Movie night in November made \$729.83
  - Popcorn day in January made \$183.41
  - Gaming account has \$5,206.04

## 8. Committee Reports

- Fundraising – Marie Vroom
  - Marie not in attendance
  - Westcoast Seeds in February, Neufeld farms, and so luxury planned.
  - We need to do more fundraising this year.
  - Fun fair will help with fundraising as well
  
- Food Report – Natasha Vandiermen
  - Mary's Power Kitchen is a new supplier. We will see how it turns out

## 9. Events Report & Other Business– Leanne Letham

- Andrea is running the popcorn and that is going well.
- The movie license we have is good for 12 months, not a school year.
- Sherisse is looking for someone to sponsor the movie night.
- We are thinking of doing the sponsor donations differently. Possibly a lump sum of \$500 and then the movie committee can purchase the food. This takes the responsibility of ordering food off of the sponsor
- We only have 1 more movie night left
- Spring Parent Night? Would this be something of interest? Something similar to the Angela Murphy night. Possibly a technology talk. Leanne has said that The Mad Hatter would be a good option. They talk about technology and being aware of the good and bad. Janessa has been to one of these and says it was very informative.
- An idea to have someone come and do a 15 minute talk at the PAC meeting. Examples would be how to adjust to middle school, ect.

## 10. Adjournment - Jaimee Lynne & Jenna 7:33pm

Next Meeting – Tuesday, February 25, 2025. 7PM – School Library