



Parent Advisory Council MINUTES

South Kelowna Elementary PAC Meeting MINUTES

Date | February 19, 2025 Time | 7:00 pm Location | Beaver Lodge and Zoom
Meeting called to order by | Kay Bowering

IN ATTENDANCE

Jasmine Lemon	Jenny Kurnik	Roan Janyk (Zoom)	
Al Lalonde (SD23)	Jordana Steinberg		
Kay Bowering	Ruth King		
Amanda Stevens	Jess Broderick		

AGENDA DETAILS

- Opened with President's Welcome & Land Acknowledgement.
- Welcome and introduction of Al Lalonde, SD23 Assistant Superintendent.
- Meeting Called to Order by Kay (Mtg. Chair) at 7:03 pm.
- Motion to approve tonight's Agenda – Approved.
- Meeting minutes by Amanda Stevens.

REPORTS

1. PRINCIPAL'S REPORT (*Jasmine Lemon*)

- Numeracy Student Learning Priorities presentation (see Jasmine for slides).
 - Included priorities, pedagogical changes, how these changes have impacted classrooms so far, breakthroughs, approach, actions, and next steps based on feedback from teachers, students, and data.
- Draft calendar for 2025-2026 school year distributed for review and feedback.
- Art card orders completed – beautiful and will be ready before Spring Break.
- Intermediate students going to Brier Cup early March 2025.
- Spirit Week and Pancake Breakfast coming up.
 - Looking for GF pancake cookers for March 14th.
 - Doing Primary and Intermediate students separately this year.
- Kelowna Gymnastix coming in April.
 - Will be about \$18 per student; Parents to cover cost and there will be subsidies available.
- Thank you to PAC for crazy carpets – They were put to good use this week!

2. PRESIDENT'S REPORT *(Kay Bowering)*

- Google Drive will be used for all PAC documents (Dropbox will be eliminated).
 - Kay, Ashley and Jennifer have access and people can send documents to them to be uploaded.
 - Kay to give access to Jess B.
- SKE PAC Bylaws:
 - Kay has updated as per agreed-upon changes.
 - Our members were unable to attend COPAC Bylaws workshop on Feb. 6th.
 - Kay to request slides; Roen to share details when the next one is announced.
- Spring Fling April 11th:
 - DJ Haymaker available; Deposit has been paid; Planning in progress.
 - Request made to have volunteers monitor the hallways and exits.

3. TREASURER'S REPORT *(Ashley Bush via Kay Bowering)*

- Deposited cheques for Purdy's fundraising: \$3,835.61 profit.
- Indigenous Garden signs have been paid for (\$954.80); We're close to maxing out the Green budget for this year.
- SKE not going ahead with Indigo grant application because school still has money left over from the insurance claim.
- Ashley looking into Gaming Grant process.
- Profit from Sonic Wash fundraiser was \$1,226.
- Profit so far on fundraisers this year has been \$8,704 (not including MunchaLunch which has profited close to \$10K so far this year).
- Current PAC account balance for operating account is \$42,413.96, which has been reconciled.
- We have \$4587.23 in the gamin account; Some of this will go to DJ Haymaker for the Spring Fling.
- Ashley to give Jasmine a cheque for \$253 for Ms. Morgan from ReturnIt.
- Ashley to look into getting an updated phone number for ReturnIt Grade 6 fundraising account (it is no longer under Michelle's number).

4. FUNDRAISING COORDINATOR REPORT *(Jordana S. and Jenny K.)*

- Decided to not do Fresh to You produce fundraiser; Takes a lot of time and relatively little profit.
- Bingo Night Feb. 28th:
 - Still collecting donations and looking for volunteers.
 - Jasmine to resend Sign-Up sheet.
 - Have some great silent auction items already.
 - Jasmine (with help of kids) to be the caller. Kids love this!
 - Ordered more tables this year.
- Rolling out Spirit Wear for first two weeks of March.
- First two weeks of April launching the Growing Smiles (greenery).
- Last two weeks of April launching the Your Green Kitchen fundraiser.

- Dance (Spring Fling) in April.
- Family photos in the works for May (Basil Cooper or other).
- Looking into a movie night.
- Looking into creative with ways to fund garden boxes (eg. private sponsorship within SD23 limitations and considerations).
- Need to follow up on application for Park and Play; It has been submitted.

5. FOOD COORDINATION REPORT *(Amanda Stevens)*

- Hot Lunch program running smoothly; currently providing 3 lunches per week and have profited close to \$10K so far this year.
- PAC currently providing \$30/student subsidy per session for about 10 students.
- Kay volunteered to check in on classroom utensils and restock as needed.
- Dish soap, sanitizer, and baggies to be restocked.
- No update from Carleigh on Fruit & Veggie Program.

6. COPAC REPRESENTATIVE *(Roen Janyk via Zoom)*

- Dyslexia Simulation event Feb. 27th at 7pm on Zoom; Roen to e-mail the link to PAC.
- STEM (Science, Engineering, Technology and Math) can come into various school events and set up interactive activity stations; Contact COPAC to the list of partners to reach out to.
- Business BCeID account recommended for Gaming Grant applications; Ashley looking into what needs to be done for this; Surrey DPAC created a guide for the process, which Roen will share with our PAC.
- Ongoing PAC Enhancement Funds Survey – We continue to fill out and express frustrations with the backlog of projects.
- Roen to follow up and share all relevant website links.

7. COMMUNICATIONS *(Jess Broderick)*

- Continuing to collaborate and streamline communications.
- A lot of new people have recently joined the SKE Facebook group, which is being updated with news and events.

8. GREEN COMMITTEE *(Ruth King)*

- Signs for indigenous garden are done and ready to install.
- Outdoor Classroom:
 - Currently in early stages of planning.
 - Ruth distributed a flyer highlighting examples from other schools and considerations such as capacity, accessibility, activities, design details, etc.
 - Jasmine to reach out to operations staff and determine next steps.
 - Outdoor learning spaces are a priority for SD23 Enhancement Projects; however, due to the current backlog we will likely have more success going

through other avenues such as the City of Kelowna or RDCO given our unique location with the park adjacent to the school grounds.

- Consider that if going through SD23, a suggested approach is to propose doing it in stages and keeping it very low maintenance.
- The City or RDCO probably allow more flexibility for fundraising, community use, and grants.
- Ruth and Roen to follow up on creative options to get this project moving as quickly as possible.
- Consider reaching out to SKE parent community for design/drafting expertise in order keep things moving and save on professional fees.

9. HEALTH AND SAFETY REPRESENTATIVE (*Vacant Position*)

- No discussion.

10. COMMUNICATIONS COORDINATOR (*Vacant Position*)

- No discussion.

11. KLO REPRESENTATIVE (*Vacant Position*)

- No discussion.

NEW AND OTHER BUSINESS

12. FinS (Fish in Schools, Okanagan Nation Alliance) (*Amanda Stevens*)

- Sockeye Salmon Eggs (100) have hatched and alevin looking good! Tank is in the library.
- Mission Creek Fry Release in May, date TBD.

13. TRAFFIC (*Jordana Steinberg*)

- Request to improve traffic flow in the drop-off loop; Parents parking in there and it is causing traffic congestion.
- Jasmine to communicate a traffic etiquette reminder to parents.

MEETING ADJOURNED AND NEXT MEETING

Meeting adjourned at 8:20 pm.

Next Meeting: Wednesday, April 16, 2025.