

Sangster PAC meeting minutes
Tuesday, October 8, 2024

Present:

- Monty Raisinghani, *President*
- Kara Beach, *Vice President*
- Nargis Kiewiet, *Treasurer*
- Meagan Bagnall, *Secretary*
- Jessica Dovanne, *Fundraiser 1*
- Bonnie Barazzuol, *Fundraiser 2*
- Jessica Alva, *Hot Lunch 1*
- Justine Howley, *Hot Lunch 2 (onsite coordinator)*
- Carla Charles, *Media Relations*
- Allison Hyatt, *SPEAC*
- Camille McFarlane, *Principal*
- Katrina Snook, *Acting Vice Principal*
- Sophie Clodge, *Parent*

Absent:

- Sarah Fitton, *Past President*
- Alanna Goodman, *Emergency Preparedness*
- Sarah Baidoo, *Member at Large 1*
- Krista Molia, *Member at Large 2*
- Tonya Crowther, *Member at Large 3*

Territorial acknowledgment by Camille

Meeting called to order at 6:42pm

Principal's Report – Camille

- Sangster is now fully staffed; 6 new division teachers out of 14 total divisions
 - We now have 19 EAs
- Game Ready program is running after school for Grades 4 and 5 on Wednesdays
 - Goal to promote physical literacy and positive connection
 - 22 students currently involved; capacity for up to 30 students
- School district is continuing to look at options for after school care on site
 - Likely for 2025 school year
- Affordability grant; \$7250 available this year
 - Plans to support the book fair this year; \$10/child
 - Currently supporting families via Feeding Futures, Backpack Buddies, cold weather clothing
 - Other ideas planned for whole school trip (swimming or skating), cultural programming, some school supplies
- MAR update
 - MAR emailed earlier this week to notify that they are unavailable to do school assemblies moving forward
 - Parent program likely still available
 - Idea to revisit MAR book bin program, especially for new classrooms

- Camille to look into other options for school assemblies with a focus on anti-racism
 - Request for anyone with ideas/connections to reach out to Camille directly

President's Report – Monty & Kara

- BIRD construction has committed to \$3000 donation
 - Monty will connect with Camille regarding possible programming/activity offered from BIRD with students (focus on engineering, project planning, construction, etc.)
- Kara has pre-booked Board Game Café for October 2, 2025
 - We will look into adding another date for late Feb/early March before Spring Break
- Justine will reach out to Chris Poynter re: possible dates for Family Dance

Treasurer Report - Nargis

General: \$30 810 (no update)

Gaming: \$4200 (no update)

- Nargis noted that she is in the process of obtaining access to the bank account information

Approval of the 2024/2025 Budget

- See attached budget
- Motion to approve - Bonnie
 - Second – Justine
 - Voted – approved by all

SPEAC – Allison

- September notes from Allison to be sent via email with October minutes by Meagan; no major updates

Fundraising – Jess D & Bonnie

- Created By Kids art fundraiser
 - Decision to organize for after the winter break
- Purdy's is ready to go; deadline to order is November 22
 - Pick up December 10
 - Carla will start advertising that ordering is available
 - Bonnie and Justine will work on prepping and distributing flyers to classrooms for distribution to students
- Giving Store scheduled for Monday, December 2
 - Gym is booked for Friday night prior for set up
 - Kara volunteered to take the lead on organization
 - Collection of items to start beginning of November
 - Flyer to go home to families
 - Need bins for collection at front door and under cover area of school
- Christmas concert scheduled for Thursday, December 19, 2024
 - Tentatively 2 afternoon shows (Wednesday and Thursday) and one evening show (Thursday)
 - Camille will be looking into options for ticketing due to capacity constraints
 - PAC to offer small concession & online 50/50

- Online 50/50 for fall/winter season; draw on December 20, 2024
 - Krista and Sarah F to organize
- Monks school supplies update from Carla: cheque should be mailed to school any day
 - Fundraising total unknown; will be shared once cheque is received

Hot Lunch – Justine

- First hot lunch went very well last week; lots of volunteers and ran very smoothly
 - Small issue with pizzas; foil wrapping stuck to the toppings on some of the pizzas
 - Royal Bay Bakery has offered a refund; Jess A and Justine will work on refunding each family's pizza order in coming days/weeks

Emergency Preparedness – Alanna

- Extra socks, gloves, toques, and granola bars have been purchased to help top up our stock
- Vote to discontinue the comfort kits in coming years
 - Latest research has shown that children are picked up quite quickly; little to no need for a full comfort kit
 - Instead we will ensure that our shipping container is stocked with fresh water, granola bars, and warm socks/gloves/toques in coming years

Meeting adjourned at 8:59pm

Next Meeting is Tuesday, November 12, 2024 at 7:00pm