

**Sangster PAC meeting minutes**  
**Tuesday, February 11, 2025**

**Present:**

- Kara Beach, *Vice President*
- Meagan Bagnall, *Secretary*
- Nargis Kiewiet, *Treasurer*
- Allison Hyatt, *SPEAC*
- Jessica Dovanne, *Fundraiser 1*
- Bonnie Barazzuol, *Fundraiser 2*
- Jessica Alva, *Hot Lunch 1*
- Justine Howley, *Hot Lunch 2 (onsite coordinator)*
- Carla Charles, *Media Relations*
- Sophie Clodge, *Member at Large 4*
- Ceilidh Deichmann, *Principal*
- Catrina Snook, *Acting Vice Principal*
- Vince Capitano, *parent*

**Absent:**

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

**Territorial acknowledgment by Ceilidh**

**Meeting called to order at 7:00pm**

**Approval of January's Minutes**

**Approval of February's Agenda**

**Principal's Report – Ceilidh and Catrina**

- Welcome to our new Principal Ceilidh Deichmann!
  - Ceilidh introduced herself and shared about her experience teaching in SD 62, most recently coming from Pexsisen Elementary School as the Vice Principal
  - Ceilidh noted that her and her husband both have a strong connection with Sangster from earlier in their teaching careers, and she is happy to be back at our school
- At the staff meeting earlier today, Ceilidh asked staff members to share their favourite things about Sangster; the common thread was Sangster's community
  - Ceilidh shared recognition that the PAC is an important part of what makes up Sangster's community
- Update on Kindergarten registrations
  - There were over 40 Nature K registrations; waitlist created
  - Regular K registration was strong as well
- School change requests have opened

- There are quite a few due to the new elementary school opening next year, and catchment boundaries shifting to accommodate
- Sangster is celebrating Black History Month and Kindness Month with ongoing activities
  - Upcoming assembly; RCMP Liaison Constable to attend
- There were 140 students absent on the recent snow day
- Leftover clothing items from November's Winter Clothing Swap have been put to good use
- Sangster's basketball teams are doing great; notably the Grade 5 boys had an awesome game at Crystal View yesterday
- Ceilidh shared that she enjoyed visiting Ms. Lund's Kindergarten classroom
  - The students were building with cardboard and safe tools
- Surveys coming out to families in coming weeks via email
  - The student learning survey provides important insight from the students' perspective
- Catrina shared that Sangster had its first Art Starts performance of the year
  - Bollywood dancing workshops with each classroom
  - Final performance took place with some classes participating; whole school was in attendance to watch
  - Brazillian dancers coming March 6

#### **Treasurer Report – Nargis**

- General Account Balance: \$38 259
- Gaming Account Balance: \$9643
- Nargis noted that we have received the secondary cheque from Purdy's for exceeding the fundraising threshold
- Final count from the Giving Store was deposited: \$2006.60

#### **SPEAC – Allison**

- Meagan to forward January meeting minutes
- February meeting is next week

#### **Fundraising – Bonnie & Jessica D**

- Family dance coming up on Thursday, February 13
  - Nargis spent approximately \$290 on snacks
  - Grade 5 Leadership students to help run concession
  - Pizza donated by Fresh Slice; PAC to organize pick up
- Spring Fair scheduled for Thursday, May 29
  - Committee formed; approximately 4 members
  - Committee to meet to discuss if they have enough members to move forward with planning ASAP, and bookings/reservations should start being secured
- Created By Kids art fundraiser – Jess D to organize
  - Timeline: March 31-April 23 art cards to be completed
  - Art Cards sent home for ordering April 25
  - Purchases returned to school by May 7<sup>th</sup>, to be distributed to families
- Remaining Bottle Drives:
  - April 12
    - Meagan to connect with Noelle Arnott to confirm if the Grade 5s would like to take over this Bottle Drive for their year end celebration fundraising

- June 14
  - Assigned to Divisions 12, 13, and 14 (Kindergarten classes)

#### **Hot Lunch – Jessica A & Justine**

- No updates

#### **Media Relations – Carla**

- Metrics updates:
  - 13 new followers
  - 16 000 views
- Request for everyone to continue liking and commenting on posts to help boost engagement

#### **Round Table:**

- Vince Capitano; Nature K parent
  - Owner of Island Chef Kitchens
    - Shared opportunity for fundraising: hot sauce & jellies, cookie making kits
    - Shared opportunity for hot lunch options; Jessica A and Justine have the information that Vince has shared via email
  - Vince offered to provide pizza for the Family Dance on Thursday to help solve our challenge of picking up from Fresh Slice downtown during rush hour – thank you very much Vince and Island Chef Kitchens!
- We discussed sourcing new Sangster Wear, now that we have our new logo
  - Catrina noted that Camille was hoping to obtain a simplified version of the logo that will transfer well to merch
    - Catrina and/or Ceilidh to connect with artist
  - Vince shared a local company to contact re: merch: Strong and Free
  - PAC to revisit this later in the spring or possibly in time for fall

**Meeting adjourned at 7:55 pm**

**Next Meeting is Tuesday, March 11, 2025 at 7:00pm**