

Betty Gilbert Middle School
PAC – General Meeting Minutes
Date: Dec 11, 2024 | 6:30 pm

Call to Order at: 6:38 pm

We acknowledge that the Langley School District resides on the traditional unceded territory of the Katzie, Kwantlen, Matsqui and Semiahmoo First Nations.

Attendees: Jodi Stiglic, Adeana Zappone, Valerie Friess, Nicole Chadwick, Claire Burns, Mindy Guthrie, Allie Brush, Tiffany Harrison, Amy Synesael, Laura Wheway

Established Quorum

Approval of December 2024 Agenda: Motioned by Nicole, seconded by Laura. All in favour, none opposed.

Approval of November 2024 Minutes: Motioned by Tiffany, seconded by Allie. All in favour, none opposed.

Principal's And Vice Principal Report:

- We have been really intentional during our land acknowledgement of showing students where the traditional territories of the Katzie, Kwantlen, Matsqui & Semiahmoo First Nations are on a map of Langley.
- Milk and cookie day - thank you!
- Gr. 6/7 volleyball jamborees - so many students joined this year and this is consistent in other middle schools too! It's great to see how many kids are interested in sports.
- Gratitude/giving - Food & Coin drives for Hampers. Nice for kids to feel that sense of giving and sharing.
- Numeracy & Literacy Goals
 - bring the joy of math to kids - school-wide Tangram challenge
 - school-wide literacy initiatives - Librarian Ms. Laumann i.e. book displays created by students
- Singing Oh Canada every Monday. Students stand silently and respectfully to sing, great job!
- Hip Hop group -"Metaphor" rap group came to teach and perform, some brave students got up in front of the entire school and did freestyle rap!
- Upcoming: Gr. 8 vs. Staff volleyball games, Band & Choir Concert at ACSS, Pancake Breakfast, Spirit Week. January 16th White Hatter presentation.

Executive and Committee reports

President – Jodi Stiglic

- Thank you to everyone for all of your hard work!

Vice President – Laura Wheway

- Milk & Cookie Day was Dec 2. Cookies were pre-sorted the night before so handing out the next day went really quick. Save-On Foods Aldergrove donated 30 dozen bakery cookies - thank you!

Treasurer – Amy Synesael

- Chequing account balance: \$21,621.56
- Gaming account balance: \$11,686.88

Secretary – April Levine (absent, no report)

DPAC Rep - April Levine (absent, no report)

Members at Large – Allie Brush, Adeana Zappone, Nicole Chadwick

- Allie - we need to order more popcorn for January. Jodi will place this order soon.

Hot Lunch Coordinator – Laura Wheway

- Subway hot lunch went well. Not as many students purchasing hot lunch extras as in the past. Possibly more people are pre-ordering and not forgetting to order? This is fine, just affects how much extras we order.

Emergency Preparedness Coordinator – Tara Sutherland (absent, no report)

Scholarship Coordinator – Valerie Friess, Allie Brush

- New scholarship email address has been set up. Scholarship package has been updated, just needs to be sent to scholarship coordinator at ACSS. Goes out on March 7.

Bylaws Committee – Jodi Stiglic, Laura Wheway, Valerie Friess

- Has not met yet - tabled until the new year.

Fundraising – vacant

Dance Committee – Jodi Stiglic, Tiffany Harrison, Melissa Epp, Laura Wheway, Christine Storey, Allie Brush, Erin Reimer, Nicole Chadwick

- Have not met since the last PAC meeting. Next meeting time and date TBD.

Old Business:

Coupon Books Update:

- Please return un-sold coupon books to the school, there are a lot that have not been returned.

Pancake Breakfast Dec 19th:

- We need more volunteers, especially for the early morning shift. Claire and Mindy offered to take care of setting up tables and chairs the night before - thank you! Constable Moe (RCMP Liason) is coming to help the day of as well.
- Almost all of our food donations have been taken care of by parents, thank you! We have also received \$235 in donations from parents to purchase what hasn't been donated.
- Adeana shared that some parents were more than willing to buy items to donate but would have appreciated more notice.
- We need more pancake griddles. Options:

- Valerie shared that Turkeys Party Rental has large griddles that they rent for around \$100, propane not included. Allie will look into this.
- Perhaps we look into purchasing one? They can be purchased from Costco for around \$450. Mindy shared that possibly the school could purchase this through the Feeding Futures fund, so the breakfast/lunch programs can use it as well. More research is needed.
- We could also possibly borrow one from Parkside, but their pancake breakfast is the day after ours, so would need to return it that evening. Tiffany will connect with the Parkside PAC Executive about this.

Purdy's Update:

- Profit from our Christmas fundraiser was \$667.01
- So far this year, we have fundraised \$2,413.01 (not including hot lunch, our main fundraiser)

New Business

None

Next meeting date: Wednesday, January 15, 2025 at 6:30pm

Meeting adjourned: 7:49pm