

SEXSMITH PAC • GENERAL MEETING

March 31, 2021 • 6:33pm –6:55pm

Online Zoom Meeting

EXECUTIVE

Chairperson:	Mandeep Sidhu	Treasurer:	Angela Wong
Vice-Chairperson:	Deljit Beesla	Secretary:	Jacqui Crawford
Fundraiser:	Penny Wong		

APPOINTED

Hot Lunch Coordinator: Eva Jung and Amit Sisodia

GUEST

Joel Levine, Principal

MEETING MINUTES

Meeting called to order at 6:31pm.

1. Determine quorum - 16 members present
2. Welcome and acknowledgement
 - 2.1. Voting eligibility reminder
 - 2.2. Online meeting procedures
3. Introductions
4. Approval of Agenda (no objections, no items to be added). Approved by Angela Wong and seconded by Penny Wong
5. Approval of January 13th 2021 Minutes (approved by Mandeep Sidhu and seconded by Deljit Beesla)

6. Guest - Principal Levine's Report

- 6.1 Updated information has been distributed from the superintendent office, everyone Grade 4 and up needs to wear a mask full time in school. There are some exceptions and if someone can't do it we will work with that situation. The teachers have shared the information with the kids. The new protocol for staff includes logging where we are in the building and update it if we move around. At the moment vaccinations are on hold for K-12 staff.
- 6.2 School fees for next year are \$35, this includes pencils, erasers and paper. The agenda fee is \$5. Typically, we would also charge a performance fee, previously \$10 per person, VSB have asked us not to collect that fee right now, as the students will not be attending any performances in person. In addition, we have some money left over from last years funds. We are looking for opportunities to get online productions. There is a First Nations play that has been turned into a film, we can buy rights for 2 weeks, and we recently bought the rights to a Bollywood module. We are finding ways to bring culture into the school safely. There will be a \$20 fee for classes that use the Jump Math program. There always is a hardship policy, therefore, if you need financial help with these fees, please let Mr. Levine know.
- 6.3 Grade 7 grad, something within the cohort at school, where it will be just the kids and teachers. We were hoping to have a lunch for them, such individual pizzas. We would like to ask the PAC to contribute about \$600 towards for lunch. Previous monies collected will be used for awards and decorations.
- 6.4 Initially VSB refused any school photos, however they announced today that school photos are allowed. We are working out how to do this safely. We will email out details when we have the information.
- 6.5 Sports Day is May 21st, we can't do our normal sports day as a whole school. Individual classes will do their own sports day. Can the PAC participate or contribute to the sports day?

QUESTIONS:

- Any update for the Grade 6 immunisations? *No updates, the last time I asked about that they explained that they are too busy with Covid to deal with the vaccinations right now. I will ask the school nurse if there is any other information*

No further questions.

7. Treasurer's Report – Angela

7.1 Our current funds available are	\$39, 090.66
breakdown as follows:	
PAC General Account	13, 526.52
PAC General Account Hot Lunch Funds	11, 656.65 (restricted)
PAC fundraising – Nil	-----
Total	25, 183.17

Included in the above amount are;

Lanyard fundraiser	\$600.00 (estimate)
I-Ride	\$600.00 (approved last year)

Total	\$1200.00

Gaming account	13,901.38
Members shares	6.11

Total	\$13,907.49

Committed PAC funds	
Christmas decorations	\$300.00 (approved in December)

Total	\$300.00

7.2 Funding for the Grade 7 Grad, individual pizzas, will meet the criteria for using money from the Gaming Funds. We still have money from 2018 that hasn't been used yet. We have 3 years to use this money and we can apply to have an extension on the 3 years. We may consider not applying for the Gaming Fund in September, as we have not used the monies we have already received. Some of the PAC executive will be attending a Gaming Funds Webinar, we will have more information about the Gaming Fund uses at the next meeting.

7.3 We will put forward a motion at the next meeting in May for the request of Grade 7 graduation monies

No further questions, Treasurers Report has been filed as submitted.

8. Hot Lunch Coordinator's Report – Eva

- 8.1 The PAC executive have decided that it is no longer fair to hold onto the Sports Day money and Hot Lunch funds. We are proposing to give 2 options, either donate the funds or a refund.

The Hot Lunch program is the PACs biggest fundraiser for the year and previously the funds have been used for the playground equipment and technology equipment. We have not raised any money for 2 years and therefore we are giving parents the option to donate the funds to our long-term goal of another MACBOOK cart.

A Google form will be emailed out with options;

- Option 1 to donate funds, which will be restricted towards computers and technology funds only
- Option 2 refund

Mr. Levine states that refunds for 300 students is a big job, we aim to get the refunds out by the end of June.

Questions:

- Can you choose how much to donate? *Yes, you can request to have a portion donated.*
- How will the refund or donations options work for students that have already graduated? *All grade 7 and anyone has left the school has been refunded already.*

No further questions, Hot Lunch Report has been filed as submitted.

9. Fundraiser Report – Penny

- 9.1 Lanyards fundraising campaign has officially ended and we raised about \$1,500 net.
- 9.2 Purdy's Fundraiser has ended and considering this was our first time it went smoothly, we raised just over \$1,000.
- 9.3 We have Oliver Labels as an ongoing fundraiser and so far we have raised about \$50.
- 9.4 We have Fundscrip gift cards as an ongoing fundraiser. The sign up link is: <https://www.fundscrip.com/Sign-Up.aspx?IID=2CBHHR>

9.5 We have 2 new fundraising ideas.

9.5.1 50/50 fundraiser – because we have a gaming account we can apply for this fundraiser. 52 cards for \$10 each card, means that it moves us up to a different type of license as the revenue obtained will be more. The money generated from this fundraiser will still be restricted like our gaming account. We have money in our Gaming Account that we have not used up yet, so we may use it in the future

9.5.2 Bedding plant sale, we would obtain vegetables, herbs and flowers and do plant sale in gravel field. Parents would come to pick them up after pre ordering. Mr. Levine was concerned about large crowds gathering and Angela was concerned about how it can be done safely. Penny will investigate the logistics of how to do this fundraiser, maybe easier to do it in the future with more time to plan.

9.6 Thanks to all the volunteers Eva, Lana and Pandora, they did an amazing job with the lanyards.

No further questions, Fundraisers Report has been filed as submitted.

10. New Business

10.1 Currently we use DPAC licence for Zoom, DPAC are asking for a contribution. We would like to own our licence, it's approximately \$20/month and we would use it for next 2 meetings, including the AGM, then cancel it for the summer and resume the licence in September. A motion was put forth by Mandeep and seconded by Penny.

10.2 Au shared information about the Filipino Festival. We have celebrated Filipinos festival at Sexsmith for the past 8 years, we missed last year but we would like to celebrate it this year. We will celebrate in May, the date is not finalised yet. Normally we would have performances. This year we would like to decorate the hallway and in front of office. And give out individual packages of sweet buns for each child. I would like to ask the PAC for \$300 towards sweet buns for each student. Au will try and find sweet buns that are pre-packaged. Mandeep put forth a motion to approve the amount of \$300 donation towards the Filipino Festival, seconded by Angela and approved unanimously by the PAC.

11. Other Business/Questions/Comments

- 11.1 AGM is upcoming in June, if anyone interested in any of the executive positions please email sexsmithvolunteers@gmail.com if you are interested in volunteering

No further questions

The next PAC meeting is set for May 5th at 6:30pm.

AGM date in June 2nd at 6:30

Meeting adjourned at 7:32pm

Note: The above meeting was held while B.C. was in State of Emergency. Under the Emergency Program Act, Ministerial Order No. M116 ("the order") was in effect at the time the meeting was held. The order allows electronic attendance and electronic voting at the virtual meeting irrespective of any provisions under the PAC's corporate enactment.