

**Arrow Heights Elementary PAC Meeting Minutes**  
**6:30pm March 1st, 2021**  
**Location: Zoom**

**In Attendance:** Suzy, Courtney, Amber, Cindy, Krystal, Angela, Tanya, Stacey, Amy, Jen, Becky

1. Call to order and introductions - 6:31pm
2. Adoption of February 1st, 2021 minutes - Courtney, Angela
3. Treasurer's report – Courtney Beruschi
  - a. Regular account balance \$6,427.89
  - b. Gaming account balance \$7,986.22
4. Old Business
  - a. Compost / Garden Update –Becky - money approved for bins, outside structure - location on cement right behind the school. Mike Manson thought it was a good location, building a cover and enclosing it (District may or may not pay for that - could be a PAC cost - Rita will find out). Need to find out if French school is still on board for compost and purchasing it. **Action:** Suzy will follow up with Rana. Rita will get a quote and timeline from Mike.
  - b. Hot lunch/ Subway Feb 11th – how did it go? Went well.
  - c. Hot lunch March/ Pizza March 12th - **Action:** Suzy will touch base with April regarding getting forms out this week. Suzy will drop pizza/juice boxes and will touch base with Paola.
  - d. Buddy Bus walking group - on hold - Action: Suzy - take this item off agenda - will take a look at it next year
  - e. Spirit Week Waffles – how did it go? Short on waffles, but worked out anyways, kids were happy. Thanks to Save On for the donation.
  - f. Yearbook - Silverwinds - \$2,900.00 Lakeside from Salmon Arm - \$1,875.00. \$1,200 - quote from another Salmon Arm company. Lakeside is the only one that can do the artwork for the cover. Decide to go with Lakeside as we know what to expect, and they will ship them to us free of charge.
  - g. Hot Chocolate for Spirit Week – Went well. Had some left over, but not a huge amount. Every kid got a reasonable sized cup. Thanks to the PAC for paying for the hot chocolate. Cost approx. \$195 (Starbucks).
  - h. 2021/2022 School district calendar – Another week to provide input.
5. Principal's Report – Rita Tedesco
  - Officially back tomorrow after being in self isolation
  - Almost done FSA results literacy, reading, writing, numeracy - gives us information as if our school is on track. Grade 4/7 kids - parents will get a summary to see if child is on track
  - Kids - volleyball has started, once a week.
  - Spirit Week - it went well, was a big hit.

- Battle of Books - school based battle and interschool battle online
- Grade 3/6 ski program went well
- Grade 4 Nordic went well
- Grade 1- skating started this week
- Grade 2's and 5's pool
- K's - gymnastics
- March - next week - portfolios will be going home. Kids/Families will go over portfolio during the week. Week of March 16/17 book a conference with teacher for a 10 minute session. Encourage child to be on the call.
- Wear green on the 17th
- Progress profile has less comments - snapshot to go hand in hand with the conference.
- Updates - Covid - Kindergartens are back on Wed. Protocols haven't changed. Government has updated COVID guidelines - additional health check to come out to teachers and parents with links. Also a new health check app - runs you through the symptoms. Other changes are minor.
- Future Reno's inside the building are going ahead -adding sinks and creating different user space in the wet areas, changes to the office space. Making the flow of the building better - scheduled to start this summer.
- Compost - Rita will talk to Mike Manson to see what we can do to go ahead.
- Jen - IHA - our COVID numbers in Revelstoke are drastically down over the weekend.

6. Teacher's Report – Amber Thompson- Mrs. Just - running different activities over lunch time for intermediate students - Grade 5 beading club, Grade 6 authors club, grade 7 - Free to Be club, Math competition - students grade 4, 5, 6 - next competition in April. Mrs. Uremovich - has an in-student teacher - teaching grade 3. Approved for a Go grant -for field trips to the flats. Purchasing supplies for wetland investigation. Cost \$618 - grant covered most of cost, but short \$111 - Motion for PAC to support the wetland investigation program and pay the outstanding fees totalling \$111.00. Stacey and Tanya

Outdoor classroom - keeping supplies in the shed that the classes can use to use in the Outdoor classroom. For example, shovels, measuring tape. Rossland has something like this.

**Action:** Amber will chat with Teachers on Wed to see what items would be required - bring back to PAC for discussion.

7. DPAC Report – Amy McGiven - 9 international students arrived in Canada - Rocky Mountain School Exchange - here for the rest of the school year. They were looking for more families for the next set of students arrive in Sept. Discussed COVID exposure in high schools Mission, vision -values on website if interested. CPE - Annual seed fundraiser, bought snowshoes for the school, did a Taco club lunch that went well, renovations almost done, doing grab and go breakfast daily, and hanging basket fundraiser. BVE did another hot lunch. There is a lot of crosswalk chatter. Trying to work with the City of getting a path across Queen Elizabeth park in the winter. They are trying to collect some data to bring to the City. (Begbie/view and high school). Begbie view - qualified grant for outdoor classroom, cookbooks for sale, doing an art club in their class cohorts. Ms. Newton taking kids out Nordic skiing. Grade 5 class got the therapy dog for the high school for the day. A success. High school -did parent teacher conferences. Students planned a theme week. Grade 8's and 9's are starting earlier than 10's 12's.

Prepackage meals for students who forget lunches - We don't have the need at this point, and we do have some backups at the moment = probably 10 meals in the freezer right now.

8. Correspondence - **Action:** Suzy to follow up with Oriana
9. New Business
  - a. Hot lunch April - **Action:** Suzy to touch base with Rita for April. Sarah from Old school - Chris was willing to do Mac n cheese/lasagna. April 16th - a good date to work with. CPE used Chubby Funsters for chicken fingers. Suzy will follow up with Joel w/ chubby's
  - b. Purdy's Easter fundraiser - March 8th is the deadline for submission.
  - c. Mental Health options for students – School Board - Suzy reach out to Brit to write a letter re: mental health options. Amy can bring it to DPAC on Wednesday. One counselor for the school - one counselor for 500 students. We should be asking for another counselor for outreach.
  - d. Any other fundraising ideas? - Stacey - multi use path that has been approved to connect the resort - up - multi use path paved - project approved, municipality has funds to do the project. Now is the time to make sure the path benefits the school residents. Far from a done deal, sooner that someone gets to the table to talk about it - to be heard to make it more useful to kids. Stacey recommended that our PAC write a letter to the City to see if an opportunity would benefit the kids. Steve Black from City is planning on attending DPAC meeting. **Action:** Amy - Ask for a copy of the plans and then try to get them to commit to working with us.
  - e. Any other big projects/ideas to spend gaming account - outside bins
10. Chair's Report - none
11. Adjourn - 8:05 pm

**Next meeting date:** April 12th, 2021 6:30pm