

**Shortreed Community Elementary School
PAC – Meeting Minutes
Monday February 9, 2024 9:00 AM**

Call to Order at 9:05 AM by Jodi Stiglic

Attendees: Jodi Stiglic, Laura Wheway, Amy Synesael, Kyla Des Mazes, Chris Wejr, Cashmere Roder, Melissa Epp, Jen Cooksley, Kaelin Nelson, Paula Halvorson, Allison Brush

Established Quorum

Round Table

Additions to Agenda:

Deletions to Agenda: None

Approval of February 2024 Agenda:

Motion to approve by Kaelin, Seconded by Cashmere. All in favour.

Approval of January 2024 Minutes:

Motion to approve by Laura, Seconded by Jen. All in favour.

Principal / Administration reports

Principal's Report – Mr. Wejr

- Pink Shirt Day/Respect & Diversity Week is coming up Feb 26-Mar 1. The focus will be more on Kindness, Respect, Diversity, Inclusion, etc. and not as much on Anti-Bullying. We believe kindness should be every day, not just one day, and we at Shortreed we talk about this from September to June. Focus on the positive, not on the negatives. If you don't have a pink shirt, that's okay! If any parents have questions about this week, please contact Mr Wejr.
- Spirit Wear: email was sent out with information and link to order.
- Kindergarten registration has moved online, and it has been a bit of a struggle. Mrs. Stoddart is following up with each registration to make sure all documents are submitted and all required information is there.
- 3 snow days in a row last month, this is rare! Appreciate parents understanding about how/when snow days are called, and thank you to the district for doing their best to make the call earlier in the morning for as much notice as possible.
- The school and PAC have been working together on equity in hot lunch. There are about 30 kids on our lunch program. This past hot lunch day, the school was able to order pizza for these kids so they don't miss out on hot lunch. The Feeding Futures fund is helping with this.
- Thank you for movie night! It was well attended and everyone was well behaved.

- Aldergrove Community is growing, the district is looking at adding portables at Shortreed/Parkside/Betty Gilbert for next year.
- Student Inclusive Conference sign-ups will be coming out next week, if parents are having trouble signing up please contact the office. We had close to 95% of parents sign up for conferences last term, which is great.
- Family Day - last year we moved away from celebrating Mothers/Fathers Day and focused on a more inclusive Family Day. We will continue this again this year. If you have any concerns about this, please contact Mr Wejr.

Executive and Committee reports

President – Jodi Stiglic

- No report

Vice President – Amy Synesael

- No report

Treasurer – Laura Wheway

- End of January balance in Chequing account: \$32,539.24
- End of January balance in Gaming account: \$11,493.21

Secretary – Susi Staples (absent)

- No report

Fundraising – Jennifer Cooksley and Susan Ngo (absent)

- Blueberries: 24 boxes sold so far (profit \$240). Closes Monday morning (Feb 12). Pick up Feb 21 from 2-3 PM at the church.
- Purdy's: info coming out next week. Orders due Feb 28. Delivered before Spring Break in time for Easter.
- Hot Lunch/Movie Night: \$3700 (includes first session of hot lunch and movie night)

Communications Coordinator – Kaelin Nelson

- Facebook post about movie night had a lot of engagement - lots of great feedback.

District Parent Advisory Council (DPAC) – Open

- We are still looking for a DPAC Rep for this year, to represent Shortreed PAC and bring back information from DPAC meetings.
- Meetings are 3rd Thursday of every month.
- Note: DPAC will pay up to \$50 for each parent for parent education, seminars, etc. Parents can submit receipts to DPAC to be reimbursed directly.

Members at Large – Allie Brush, Cashmere Roder, and Nicole Chadwick (absent)

- No reports

Bylaws Committee – Amy, Laura, Jodi, Susi and Susan

- No report

Shelter Committee – Susan, Jen, Jodi, Nicole, Laura & Mrs. Tarasoff

- The committee is still in conversation with Alliance regarding the details of purchasing the outdoor shelter.

Fun Fair Committee

- Our first meeting will be held after the PAC meeting today.
- Thank you to Aly Gallagher for offering to shadow Cashmere on the coordinating of the Fun Fair!

Old Business:

- Emergency Supplies (Jodi): no new updates. Still need to coordinate a time to bring in bins, organize and replenish, and return to storage container.
- Swimming lessons: Mr Wejr is still in conversation with Stephanie Eby (Community Schools Coordinator) and the Township. Tabled to next month.

New Business:

- Book Fair: gym is in use during SIC week (when we typically run Book Fairs). If we don't run it, teachers would miss out on their \$50 in books. The suggestion of running an online book fair was made, Jodi will check to see if it is an option. We could also run a Book Fair after Spring Break when the gym has more availability. Another idea would be to just give teachers the option to purchase their own books for their classrooms, and have PAC reimburse them. Jodi will look into it and PAC Executive will discuss.
- Valentine's Day Flowers: for the past few years PAC has provided a carnation for each student to give to someone they care for on Valentine's Day. This will be happening again this year. Shortreed parent Leanne Greig has ordered and will pick up the flowers from the wholesaler. Jodi has ordered cards to attach to the flowers through Vista Print. These will need to be hole punched and ribbon tied to them.
- Scholarships: Shortreed PAC provides one \$500 bursary to a former Shortreed student. Amy will update the scholarship form and send to ACSS.

Next meeting date: Friday, April 12, 2024 at 9 AM, at the school

Meeting adjourned 10:05 AM by Jodi Stiglic