



YCMS Parents' Advisory Council Meeting

May 29, 2023

Yorkson Creek Elementary School PAC
20686 – 84 Avenue, Langley, BC V2Y 2B5
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ATTENDEES:

Executive

PAC President	Jennifer Pyper
Vice President	Rachel Bailey
Treasurer	Vacant
Secretary	Donna Doradea-Cabrera
DPAC Rep	Stephanie Chow
Hot Lunch	Kara Eastgate
Member at Large	Alma Edwards; Dana George
Past President	<i>Kerry Campbell - Regrets</i>

Administration

Principal	Stephanie Labby
	Casey Durnin

Guests

Guest	Marnie Gobin
	Jane Clark

AGENDA:

1. Welcome – Jennifer Pyper

- Meeting called to order at 7:03 pm.
- Land acknowledgement provided by Stephanie Labby.
- Roundtable introductions.

2. Review & approve previous meeting minutes – Donna Doradea-Cabrera

- No questions raised or edits requested to the previous April 24, 2023 PAC meeting minutes as presented.

3. Principal's report – Stephanie Labby, Casey Durnin

- 2023/24 school year
 - The Language Arts curriculum will kick off in September with a Global Read a loud on "Insignificant Events in the Life of a Cactus" by Dusti Bowling which all grade 6-8 classes in Langley will participate in.
 - 32 divisions are planned for the 2023/24 school year (Grade 6 x 11, Grade 7 x 11, Grade 8 x 10). This is an increase of 4 divisions from the current 2022/23 school year with 28 divisions.
 - Portables will be opened next year to accommodate the increase in divisions and will house grade 8 students. Portable furniture is currently being built.
 - More expo classes are needed due to the additional divisions and will include Drama (for all classes) and Digital literacy (for some classes depending on the block order).
 - New teachers are currently being recruited for the new divisions.
 - There are no known teacher departures or additions, and no retirements.
 - Jennifer Pyper and Kara Eastgate will review the tentative school calendar to determine hot lunch and PAC event dates.
- Grade 8
 - Grade 8 farewell event scheduled for June 26 with two separate groups due to the number of students. Followed by a former grade 12 walk and grade 8 celebration events.
 - The Exhibition of Wonder (passion project) exhibition will take place June 2.
- Grade 7 students who applied for a Web Mentor position in the 2023/24 school year will be notified soon if they were selected. The position requires students to attend a 2 day mandatory training program in the summer which will be held at YCMS.
- New Grade 6 student information night is scheduled for June 6 @ 6pm.



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- June 21 National Indigenous Day will include multiple events including activities in the north gym, film festival in the south gym, and a final soccer tournament in the field with Vancouver White Caps attending. More information will be sent to parents.
- Great reviews were provided on the PAC planned events this school year. A big thank you to the PAC! The school administration is happy to help to create more opportunities and events for the students.

4. Treasurer's Report – Jennifer Pyper

- Account Balances as of May 29, 2023
 - Gaming Account: **\$15,615.97**
 - General Account: **\$26,000**
- Still waiting on field trips, bus invoices, etc. to be processed and in the process of finalizing bills which will impact the account balances.
- After all invoices are processed, the PAC will still leave YCMS in a great financial standing financially.

5. Fundraising Report – Jennifer Pyper

- Total fundraising: **Approximately \$15,000 profit**
- Hot lunch: **Approximately \$7,000-8,000 profit**
- Encourage parents to shop at the new Cobbs Bread when it opens on 80 and 204 and reference YCMS when you make a purchase to help fundraise for YCMS.

6. DPAC Report – Jennifer Pyper

- Farewell to DPAC president.
- Year end accomplishments.
- Funding for new Langley school in Latimer on 82 and 201 approved. Planned opening in 2025.
- Idea-X program, a one month program for undergraduate students to learn and explore digital media.
- District budget meeting scheduled on June 6 at the Board Office.
- DPAC member at large position available.

7. President's Report & Closing Remarks – Jennifer Pyper

- Planned work for the 2023/24 school year includes: Updates to YCMS PAC constitution bylaws, move AGM date out from end of May to mid-June.
- Approval of YCMS PAC constitution bylaws completed by sending the updated bylaws to parents within 14 days of a PAC meeting for parents to comment on at the upcoming meeting.
- Jennifer Pyper made a motion to spend \$6,500 from the General Account towards purchasing a new Kiln for the school.
 - All in favor. None opposed. None abstained. Motion passed.
 - The Kiln is one big accomplishment the PAC endeavored for for the year.
 - A reserve of approximately \$9,000 will still remain in the General Account once the Kiln is purchased.
 - Stephanie Labby confirmed the Kiln will not be installed until the School District builds a proper cover, which is currently in progress. The installation cost will be founded separately.
- Jennifer Pyper thanked the current PAC and acknowledged PAC members who are leaving YCMS.

8. Adjournment

- The meeting was adjourned at 7:51 pm.



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9. Election of 2023/24 PAC – Jennifer Pyper

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NEXT MEETING:

- PAC Budget Meeting
- Monday, June 12 @ 7:00 pm– YCMS Library