

Monday January 4, 2021 PAC Meeting Minutes

1. Meeting called to order 7:03.
2. Amendments to the agenda
 - Joyce made motion to adopt
 - Kara second motion
 - Agenda adopted
3. Adoption of Dec. 7, 2020 minutes
 - Joyce made motion to adopt
 - Megan second motion
 - Minutes adopted
4. Call for open positions
 - Treasurer – tabled until next meeting
 - Vice Chair – tabled until next meeting
5. Chair Report
 - 2 other positions are needed – School Board Liaison and Playground Co-ordinator. This will be discussed next meeting.
6. Principal's Report
 - Happy New Year!
 - Staffing change – Elizabeth Wright will be teaching grade ¾ in the morning and Denise Hucko will be the teacher in that room in the afternoon.
 - Grade 7s and 8s started remote learning today. This will occur until Jan. 15, 2021.
 - On Dec. 16th it was announced that May 31st will be the 3rd professional development day as requested by the province.
 - Curt is in discussions with the school board to remove walls to accommodate the classes which are currently using 2 separate classrooms.
 - Painting the school timelines – will likely be happening in the spring!
 - Due to costs and other priorities the scorpion logo will be used in Shamrock School another year.
 - Traffic issues at the beginning of the day have improved. There is not as much improvement in the afternoon. Sia has brought this issue to Audrey Gordon.
7. Treasurer's Report
 - Balance PAC General account \$8,228 at the end of November
 - Balance Connects account \$11,986 at the end of November. In December a cheque for \$3,875 from the City of Winnipeg was deposited to the Connects account. This is money refunded related to the tire swing

replacement. This increases the amount in the Connects account to just over \$15,000.

- Fundraising profit update 103 - \$5 Menchie's bucks were sold in a winter fundraiser generating a net profit of \$103.

8. Committee Reports

i. Playground Bench Report

- Nothing new at this time. Chantel is waiting for options from the city to choose a bench. Matt Allard's office offered to cover cost of bench beyond the \$1500 we already have.

ii. Social Media Report

- Nothing new at this time. Engagement is not as high as last year. Possibly due COVID and people feel less connected to the school?

9. Old Business

i. Grant follow up – Building Sustainable Communities (see guidelines here <http://www.gov.mb.ca/grants/pdf/bsc-guidelines.pdf>)

- Audrey Gordon asked us what we would like to use this grant for as we must decide before the January deadline. It was asked if we could use the money to enhance the parking lot area. This may not be what the grant is intended to be used for. The PAC Connects money was raised many years ago. The money was used for 2 phases. The second phase was the walking path through the playground. Was there a third phase to this plan? It was asked if we could use this grant for a seasonal activity i.e. a skating rink. It was suggested that we talk to the city to see if they would be willing to put skating rink in. Chantel said that it may carry more weight if the request was made by the PAC and the school. Curt will talk to the Shamrock staff for input. Chantel will talk to Christina to see how to make this request. Sia will talk to Matt Allard and request the money that he would give us be used for the rink instead of the bench. We need a playground committee to create goals. The creation of a committee will be tabled until next meeting.
- The parking lot area has been an issue for many years. Discussion around child safety and staff parking spots occurred. Lynne said that there a blueprint was created of what the parking lot could look like. The cost was of this project was approximately \$100 000. This was too much to fundraise. A copy of the blueprint may be in Shamrock School and Lynne may have one too.

10. New Business

i. Increase Shamrock PAC's virtual footprint (i.e. new website, centralizing PAC meeting minutes for future reference, sharing monthly agenda on social media)

- We need a way to post meeting minutes, meeting agendas etc. online. This may be done by creating a website. Stan Scott offered to help with website design. There would be a cost to having a domain (approximately

\$8-\$15 a month). Would this be worthwhile? Other PACs have a link on the school website. Would the Shamrock staff be willing to add documents for PAC? Curt said that this would be something the school could do. It was asked if there were any stats regarding hits on the websites. Curt said that he will look into this.

ii. Email from LRSD parent re: LRSD School Resource Officer Program

- free information session on January 6th
 - for parents to suspend or cancel this program for police free school
 - meeting details
- https://hashicorp.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_5tnl85HSTyvPo3cmDQaWQ

11. Questions and Adjournment 8:01.

Monday January 4, 2021 PAC Meeting Attendance

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Erin Adams
Sia Erlendson
Cheryl Lisowski
Curt Krahn
Sara Razos
Joyce Fernandes
Megan Saydak
Ito Affia
Kara Buchanan
Chantel Stadnyk
Alysa Friesen
Lynne Elwood
Karen Morgan