

Minutes  
École Armstrong Elementary  
Parent Advisory Council (PAC) Meeting

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Date and time: November 16<sup>th</sup>, 2022 at 7:00pm  
Meeting called to order at 7:00pm by Jessica Narayan

**In Attendance: (10)**

Principle: Jennifer Griffin

PAC Members: Jessica, Manisha, Gurshawn, Namsu and Salima are helping.

Staff: Ms. S.

Members at large: approx. 10 Members

**Principals Report: Jennifer Griffin**

- Opening land acknowledgement
- Movie Night recap
- Division 10 letters
- Affordability grant - could be used as needed, no schoolwide decision
  - Money is used for families who cannot afford certain activities such as: camps
- Health and safety update - Keep kids at home if sick
  - request was put in for Clorox 360 spray machine, which was done last week and request for it will continue
- District is suffering with staffing shortages, aware of impacts for EA support etc.

**Denis Mealah Report:**

Young Peoples - Grades 4 to 7

- Live theater and outings
- Michael J. Fox theater (\$20)
- Expected learning and arts (Next Thursday)
- Not finding enough interest
- Grade 6/7 leadership - bringing spirit back, more community work - will be different every month
  - Angel project: toy drive with unwrapped new gifts
- Dental Kit
- Operation Elf - Holiday cards
- Science World bursary application is open

**PAC Report: Jessica**

“What if a teacher cannot come in and there’s no one available to teach?”

Jen: No updates yet, maybe look at 2 classes coming together or asking support

Kavita asked: When does the accessibility grant need to be spent (June 30th)

What levels of bleach is sprayed, does it damage anything?

Jen: We are advised it is safe and no damage

Jessica: Coats for kids clothing drive

Christina: Suggested to do it later in January/February

Jessica: Movie Night was successful, Sold 275 tickets and used the PA system, parents suggested the time should be a little earlier, 15 minutes earlier or play a shorter movie

Purdy's chocolate fundraiser spread the word as it ends November 30th

Pancake breakfast - no firefighters available so there are no grills

- we could rent big grills and have parents cook
- or have a different breakfast menu
- there are not enough stoves in school
- find out more about butter packages from Nova Foods, Mcdonald's, Flapjacks, White Spot
- approximately 500 students including pre-school will be invited
- expanding budgets to \$500, double the budget by \$500, total \$1000 as renting a grill will take up the first \$500 of our budget

Vote - Jessica put up to increase budget by \$500

Rebecca seconded the vote

Parent - asked about having upcoming events such as a science/tech fair

- as an Entrepreneur fair for Grade 5,6,7 has been done in the past
- Applied skills development could be talked about with the teachers

Parent - Concerts to happen April/May

- Parents will be allowed to attend

### **Treasury report: Manisha**

- Added \$500 to Pancake Breakfast
- Asked employers to donate to children school

### **Other Business**

Kavita - approved GAGA ball enclosed last year but did not do well

- need to get information from district to place an order
- cost is \$1000
- funded from a Coast Capital account (under spent the grant from 2 years ago)

Jessica - Motioned forward to change account from Coast Capital to Gaming

Rebecca Seconded the motion

Erin\* - bring back year book

- Maybe create a digital yearbook
- however may have privacy concerns
- suggested for grade 7 to do their year end year book themselves

**Meeting Adjourned at 8:15pm**

**Next Meeting TBA**

If any parents have questions for the PAC between now and the next meeting please send them to:  
[ArmstrongSchoolPAC@gmail.com](mailto:ArmstrongSchoolPAC@gmail.com)