

Trafalgar PAC Meeting Minutes

Date: November 8, 2022, 5:30 pm

Location: Online Teams Meeting

Present: Denise Morris (Treasurer), Brandy Kormany (Acting Chair), Lily Andersen (Secretary), Randy Neen (parent), Breanne (parent), Kristine (parent), Mark Bonikowski (Vice Principle), Tim Mushumanski (Principle)

Meeting called to order at 5:30 p.m. PST

Agenda / Action Items:

- Introductions of the current PAC
- Adoption of previous minutes from October 2022
- Adoption of the agenda
- Principal's Report: Tim Mushumanski
 - Attached report (pdf)

Denise: Financial Report

Gaming \$16,559.89

General \$4134.07

Discussion items:

1. School request for funding

Winter Dance right before the winter break (2 dances) and a hot dog lunch for students on Dec 16th.

Would the PAC be interested in helping for these events? Approx. cost for Lunch - \$1675

Approx. cost for two dances - \$2310

(these numbers are based off of what we paid last year)

Motion to fund dance from gaming: \$2400. Carried

Motion to fund term end lunch for \$1700. Carried

Motion to fund: Running jerseys – track and cross country \$800. Carried

Items for discussion at next meeting, after clarification of what items are needed:

Tools for building raised garden bed – \$500

Weight room items – \$1500

Water fountain filling station – \$2400

Crafts and celebratory décor items for Saga group – \$750

2. PAC Meetings online vs. in person? – Consensus with PAC is online is better for now. Will revisit at each meeting to discuss options for in person.

3. Brandy: DPAC Update: - Last DPAC meeting included the AGM October 20.

- BCCPAC membership is due \$75. PAC can pay and be reimbursed by DPAC.

- BCCPAC leadership summit November 18/19. DPAC is sending 2 representatives to attend.

- parent engagement sessions have been running. Recently: Youth in Trades and Inclusion.

There is a list of events sent out by the school.

- DPAC purchased a zoom license. This can be shared with PAC's to use for their meetings.
- 4. New Volunteers – suggestion to have an orientation meeting for new PAC members between now and next meeting.

Meeting adjourned: 6:36 pm

Next Meeting: December 13 @ 5:30 pm

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Principal's Report

Communication about concerns If you have concerns with an SD8 process or decision, check out the following (<https://www.sd8.bc.ca/parents-students/communication>) to see proper channels to address the situation and resolve the concern. Your principal can help with any situation!

Cell phones We are still working on getting all of our students to place their cell phones in our cell phone hotels. We continue to see progress in this area and really notice a difference in engagement when the phones are put away.

Outside recess and lunch Similar to what we have done in our elementary schools, students and supervising staff will be outside for our morning break (maximum 17 minutes outside) and lunch break (maximum 27 minutes outside). The fresh air and space are good for us even if it is cold.

Student affordability fund The Ministry of Education has provided funding to school districts to make some of the costs of school more affordable for families. The fund is designed to improve students' access to nutritional food/meals at school and directly offset costs to families such as school supplies and other cost pressures. We are looking at reducing all hot lunch costs for the remainder of the school year by subsidizing costs from this fund. We also have some transportation, school sports and hardship funds to administer as well.

Reporting in November November 15 is deadline for a written report on literacy, numeracy and learning requirements (Careers) to be sent home by classroom teachers. This is the first of 4 reports during the year plus a fifth at the end of June. A second report out to parents will happen during parent-teacher conferences on November 16 and 17. Some teachers are offering a few spots outside of those days but most are on the Wednesday and Thursday of that week. Dismissal times and busses will be one hour earlier than normal.

Last Day for LLE Q1 November 9 is the last day for quarter one Life Long Explorations. Students will get their second quarter schedules on the same day.

Yearbook for Trafalgar We have surveyed our parents (and students) around their interest in a Trafalgar yearbook for 22/23. We have 177 parents who have responded to the survey so far but we would like a few more parents (along with their child) to respond before we make firm plans.

Budget SD8 requires schools to provide their budgets, spending and reserve funds to their PACs on annual basis. Principal Mushumanski will provide full details at the December PAC meeting.

Important Dates Coming Up:

Nov 9	Grade 6 immunizations
Nov 10	Remembrance Day assembly
Nov 11	Remembrance Day holiday
Nov 16+17	Early dismissal (one hour earlier) to accommodate Parent-teacher conferences
Dec 7	Band concert @ 5:30 pm
Dec 16	Last day before winter holidays