

## **Trafalgar PAC Meeting Minutes**

Date: February 21, 2023, 5:30 pm

Location: Online Teams Meeting

**Present:** Denise Morris (Treasurer), Brandy Kormany (Acting Chair), Lily Andersen (Secretary), Kate Walker (parent), Christine (parent), Jess Phillips (parent), Mark Bonikowski (Vice Principle), Tim Mushumanski (Principle), 3 additional attendees on Teams video (unidentified)

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

### **Agenda / Action Items:**

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

### **Denise: Financial Report**

#### **Accounts:**

Gaming (after approved Spending) - \$5,129.89

General Account - \$4370.07

APPROVED ITEMS – Motions to approve all items below. Carried.

1. Running (x-country + track) team jerseys ~ \$800 We currently have 8 running jerseys with over 20 students on the team
2. Craft, celebratory, and decor items for SAGA ~ \$865 Supplies for SAGA activities and décor
3. Squat rack + olympic bar + hexagon bar + elastics \$2000 To provide equipment to run a lunchtime/afterschool after school strength and conditioning club
4. School dance (December) \$1365 School community, etc.
5. School garden tools ~ \$1,000 Equipment needed to tend to raised garden beds, which will be built in the spring
6. GR9 girls volleyball team jerseys ~ \$1800 30 jerseys @ ~ \$60 each / volleyball is very popular / TMS has no GR9 jerseys
7. Alien Inline skating for PE classes (5 DAYS) \$3,600 successful supplementary program for PE at TMS for many years

Total Approved Spending - \$11,430

Items for next meeting:

-Bike upgrades and bike club.

Items for discussion in the new school year (September 2023):

-PAC to possibly pay for basketball jerseys for next September

Meeting adjourned: 6:36 pm.

**Next Meeting: March 14 @ 5:30 pm**

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**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!

**Enrolment Predictions** Mr. Mush has put the following enrolment prediction numbers together with help from the team:

Grade	Current year	23/24 year
Grade 6	154 students	94 students
Grade 7	143 students	158 students
Grade 8	151 students	150 students
Grade 9	166 students	151 students
Totals	614	553

**Black History Month** Trafalgar is marking Black History Month with multiple activities in all classrooms plus staff professional development on anti-racist approaches in the classroom and a self-guided staff book review. One highlight was Calgary Poet Wakefield Brewster meeting virtually with our grade 9 classes to share poetry and perspectives on resilience and culture.

**Course Selection** We are busy preparing for next year. Mr. Mush and Mr. Bonikowsky will be communicating to parents shortly about the process and what the options are for students. We are hoping to avoid course selections on paper that are passed back and forth. Instead, we wish to have students enter their course selections directly into our student info management system. Parents will be able to see their child's selections and make changes as they see fit.

**Increased Privileges for Grade 9s** It might be time to give our grade 9 students a few more privileges. We are considering opening the campus to allow grade 9s to leave during the lunch recess. With this privilege would come greater responsibility to be good neighbours, obey traffic rules, not litter and follow the school code of conduct.

**Carnaval** French Immersion staff are preparing for a Winter Carnaval celebration for our French Immersion students. Thanks to the staff for putting this all together. Carnaval happens this Friday, February 24.

**Coldest Night of the Year** Grade 6 classes are getting a closer look at the Coldest Night of the Year here in Nelson. The grade 6 team is hosting guest speaker Stefanie Myers from Nelson Cares on Thursday February 23 and the whole grade 6 team will walk one of the routes used by the community event.

**Pink Shirt Day** Trafalgar will mark Pink Shirt Day on Wednesday, February 22. Classes have been preparing for this annual celebration with a number of learning activities. Mr. Mush and Mr. Bonikowsky would very much like to see Pink Shirt Day on every day at Trafalgar. We all need to be part of the change we want to see.

**Important Dates Coming Up:**

Feb 21 PAC meeting  
Feb 22 Pink Shirt Day  
Feb 24 Carnaval at Trafalgar!  
Mar 2 Basketball game day  
Mar 7 Grade 8 Ski day  
Mar 13 Grade 6 Ski day  
Mar 17 Last day before Spring Break