

Watson Elementary School

PAC Minutes

Tuesday, January 28, 2025

Location: Watson Elementary Library

In attendance: Kelsey Ohs (Chair), Kele Nash (Co-Chair), Stephanie Dillon (Secretary), Jackie Berkes (Principal), Lisa Fugger (Vice Principal)

Regrets: Justin Nearing (Treasurer)

Call to order at 7:01PM

Adoption of the agenda: Kele

Motion to adopt last month's minutes: Kele

Chair Report

December recap:

Primary concert – only hosted K-2 (11 classes) for safety and space. No extra overflow into the halls like years past. We'd explored renting venues but ran into transportation and cost issues. Parent volunteers helped teachers bring students from their classes and the students were put on stage for easier visibility. Other requests were made but there would need to be many more volunteers to make more happen.

Holiday cheer – a few parents volunteered with homemade baked goods, and it was well received by staff.

Hampers – the PAC is happy to help families of our school in need during the holidays. We budgeted \$1,500 for this for 14 families. We had a few grocery stores around town donate items and an anonymous donor who gave \$715 that allowed many more items to be purchased. This 40+ item hamper may not be replicable in the future because of the donor's help this year. However, the PAC would like to continue making holiday hampers.

*If you'd like to donate or help in any way towards hampers, then please contact the PAC.

Fundraisers – Purdy's is upcoming – stay tuned for flyers.

Playground Update

The soft launch happened the day before Winter Break.

We've applied for several more grants to fundraise for phase 2 which is \$190,000.

To note: periodically the rubber will need the wood chips swept off.

No plan in place for a bigger unveiling. Will circle back at a later date.

Co-Chair / Hot Lunch Report

Thursday, January 30 – McDonald's

February 21 – Pita Pit

March 11 – Churros (treat day)

\$312 is still in the donation funds for purchasing hot lunches this term.

Those donations helped purchase many hot lunches last term and also were used to supplement with Fresh-2-You bundles for the Starfish program.

100 days of school – PAC is providing a popcorn treat for each classroom

Treasurer's Report (attached)

November and December revenue and expense reports are attached.

Grade 5 Fundraising

Nothing new to report.

Old Business

Stay Safe Course – the Cheam Leisure Centre is offering this course on Saturday, March 1. Ages 9-14 can participate and it's \$75 for about a 6 hour day. More info to follow. They have about 7 spots left.

New Business

Tropical Vacation Dance - We need at least ten more volunteers for the Tropical Dance to reach out to the PAC by this Friday, January 31 or the dance will be canceled. Only one person has reached out so far, and it takes many more for this event to happen. If you are willing to help with prep work/set-up/concession/clean-up then please reach out immediately.

Jaimie Vieira is asking for \$685 for Intermediate Activity Day. The SinAmen Bun fundraiser can go towards this. Put forth as a vote and all were in favour.

Principal's Report

Enrollment is currently at 437 students

Mrs. Clouston is on leave until the end of February and 2 teachers are currently filling her position

December – Concert and Entrepreneur Fair went well

Break the Rules Day fundraised about \$200. Staff is considering changing the name of it for the message it sends

Grade 3s are gearing up for their acts of kindness day with their weekly cupcake sales every Wednesday in February

February 3-21 - Jump Rope for Heart

February 19 - Ready, Set, Explore (PAC providing juice boxes, goldfishies, etc.)

February 27 - Parent Teacher Conferences 3:00-5:00PM

February 28 - Early Dismissal at 11:22AM

March 5 - Dress Like A Book Character Day

March 13 – Learning Updates will go home

March 14 - Talent Show at 1:00PM

The entire inside of the school is going to be painted. It takes about 9 months. One classroom at a time gets done so each class will be temporarily relocated to the portable for the week that their classroom is getting painted.

Accessibility – a provincial priority – not just physical, but also attitudinal

Artificial Intelligence – Our students are going to have to navigate this and there will be future workshops for parents.

Open Discussion

Upcoming meetings:

- Tuesday, February 25 7:00PM
- Tuesday, April 15 7:00PM
- Tuesday, May 20 7:00PM AGM
- Tuesday, June 10 7:00PM

Meeting adjourned at 8:30PM

Watson PAC Treasurer Report

Nov-24

Account Overview				
Account	Beginning of Period	End of Period	Variance	
General Account	\$21,783.39	22,577.54	\$	794.15
Playground Account	5,951.19	5,954.71	\$	3.52
Gaming Account	11,313.08	11,013.08	\$	(300.00)
Account Total	\$ 39,047.66	\$ 39,545.33	\$	497.67

General Account - Revenue		
Revenue	Amount	Note
ETransfer Fundraising	\$ 674.00	
Munchalunch Fundraising	\$ 930.93	
Revenue Total	\$ 1,604.93	

General Account - Expenses		
Expense	Amount	Note
Fall EASE Supplies	\$ 500.00	
PAC Treat	\$ 248.40	
Etransfer Costs	\$ 2.50	
Playground Stickers	\$ 168.88	
Expenses Total	\$ 919.78	

Gaming Account - Revenue		
Revenue	Amount	Note
Revenue Total	\$ -	

Gaming Account - Expenses		
Expense	Amount	Note
Recorders	\$ 300.00	

Expenses Total \$ 300.00

Playground Account - Revenue

Revenue		Amount		Note
	Interest	3.52		

Revenue Total \$ -

Playground Account - Expenses

Expense		Amount		Note
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Expenses Total \$ -

Playground GIC - Revenue

Revenue		Amount		Note
	Monthly Interest \$	-		<i>Monthly interest not reported</i>

Revenue Total \$ -

Account Variance

Account		Revenue Total		Expense Total		Variance
General Account	\$	1,604.93	\$	919.78	\$	685.15
Gaming Account	\$	-	\$	300.00	\$	(300.00)
Playground	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-

Watson PAC Treasurer Report Dec-24

Account Overview				
Account	Beginning of Period	End of Period	Variance	
General Account	22,577.54	16,285.94	\$	(6,291.60)
Playground Account	5,954.71	60,979.40	\$	55,024.69
Gaming Account	11,013.08	11,013.08	\$	-
Account Total	\$ 39,545.33	\$ 88,278.42	\$	48,733.09

General Account - Revenue		
Revenue	Amount	Note
Coupon Book CC Payment	\$ 30.00	
Munchalunch Fundraising	\$ 1,163.61	
XMas Hamper Donation	\$ 715.00	
Revenue Total	\$ 1,908.61	

General Account - Expenses		
Expense	Amount	Note
Cinnamon Buns	\$ 862.75	
Christmas Hampers	\$ 2,234.25	
Hot Lunch	\$ 4,133.42	
Photography Fundraiser	\$ 650.00	
Xmas Concert	\$ 271.14	
Christmas Cheer Coffee	\$ 39.90	
Etransfer Fee	\$ 8.75	
Expenses Total	\$ 8,200.21	

Gaming Account - Revenue		
Revenue	Amount	Note
Revenue Total	\$ -	

Gaming Account - Expenses		
Expense	Amount	Note

Expenses Total \$ -

Playground Account - Revenue

Revenue	Amount	Note
Playground Donation	55,000.00	
Interest	24.69	
Revenue Total \$	55,024.69	

Playground Account - Expenses

Expense	Amount	Note
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Expenses Total \$ -

Account Variance

Account	Revenue Total	Expense Total	Variance
General Account \$	1,908.61 \$	8,200.21 \$	(6,291.60)
Gaming Account \$	- \$	- \$	-
Playground \$	55,024.69 \$	- \$	55,024.69