

Lake Hill Elementary PAC Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, March 3, 2021 @ 7pm



Call to Order 7pm

1. Welcome and introductions

Andrea Chan (Div 4) - Co-President
Roslyn Gillan (Div 4,8) – Co-President
Karen Fraser (Div 5) - Vice President
Stacey Locke (Div 5)– Treasurer
Meggan Oliver (Div 2,8) - Secretary

Other Attendees:

- Natalie Bandringa, special guest from Ready Set Roll
- Brett Johnson, Principal
- Emma Marley, Vice Principal
- Monica Hacking (Div 9)
- Robyn Emerson (Div 4, 7)
- Tami Sperber (Div 7, Div 3)
- Cara Jackson (Div 7)
- Sia Zabarar (Div 4)
- Kalyn Starkey (Div 2)

2. Special Guest: Natalie Bandringa to present the 2019-2020 Ready Set Roll final report and map (delayed from fall due to COVID)

- Outlined benefits of active travel
- 6 E's approach: Engineering, Equity, Evaluation, Enforcement, Education, Encouragement
- Saanich is working on sidewalk currently
- In 2019, 55% of families were driving to/from school, but 96% of those families would prefer to walk/wheel
- Grade 4,5 bike skills program delivered in the fall
- Shared promotion strategies, such as 'plan your route', 'bike rodeos', 'walk/wheel in numbers', 'drive to 5 sites', 'park & stroll / kiss & go', continued principal support, crossing guard support
- Shared some resources from www.crd.bc/ready website, including the full report as well as the safest route planning, and a Drive to 5 toolkit
- https://www.crd.bc.ca/docs/default-source/regional-planning-pdf/transportation/active-transportation/lake-hill-plan-your-route-map-and-activity.pdf?sfvrsn=1fc0facc_2
- Encouraged ongoing communication with St. Margaret's School to cooperate for the best opportunities going forward
- Eg. Drive to 5: can park at Ambassador park and drop off from there
- Discussion about further sidewalk development. Encourage reaching out to Saanich to continue to ask for specific sidewalk requests, and reference the Ready Set Roll in those requests.

- Discussion about potential for meeting at Beckwith Park and setting up a walking group / riding group from Beckwith Park
 - Opportunity with daycare coming to the LakeHill property to have support for safer paths/sidewalks to the property with the school district
 - Ros suggests our PAC talking to the St. Margaret PAC about safe driving and active transport
 - Opportunities for children from LakeHill to communicate with peers at St. Margarets, competitions around biking to school, walk about and finding strategies, etc.
3. Review minutes (January 2021) - approved by Stacey, seconded by Robyn
 4. De-brief past events:
 - a. Fun Lunch – February 24: Panago (147 orders) - no known issues / went well
 - b. Kernels Popcorn Day - February 25 - went well
 - c. Drop Off Bottle Drive - February 26 - went really well. Made over \$1000
 - Need a truck, was more profitable to do the sorting prior to dropping off, learned some good process work. Had two parking lots going and had 6+ volunteers
 - If we had more volunteers, we could likely do one per term
 - Could we do a thank you to the community somehow? eg kids do a thank you card to Mayne Island community, or North Quadra newsletter
 - In non-covid years, the students can be more involved as helpers
 5. Current & Upcoming Events
 - a. Bottle Depot donation bin - need to come up with a more formal volunteer schedule/ rotation
 - b. Purdys Chocolate Easter fundraiser - deadline for order March 15, so far looks like a successful project
 - c. Hilltop Greenhouses hanging baskets & planters for Mother’s Day - slow going so far, but will come together closer to ordering deadline of April 2.
 - d. Ongoing fundraisers - Thrifty Foods Smile Cards (\$124 last month), Country Grocer Save a Tape receipt program, Cobs Dough Raiser
Noted that West Coast Seeds fundraiser will be good for 2021/2022 - ordering deadline prior to November
 - e. Parent Education webinar - Alison Rees: Side-stepping the Power Struggle - Thursday, April 22th 7-9pm (partnering with Northridge, Torquay, and Tillicum)
 6. Treasurer’s Report
Highlights as of February 28:
 - Funds raised this year to date: \$12,000
 - Net available funds: \$27,012
 - Restricted funds for new playground, emergency supplies, play equipment: \$14,623
 - Additional PAC funds held by the school: \$5,123
 7. New Items discussion
 - a. Shipping container “Sea Can” purchase for emergency preparedness supplies
 - Emma contacted to the district. A used one in reasonable condition = \$4000 plus putting in shelving + installation costs range \$400-\$1000. Need to decide on a location

with an emergency plan, district. There is \$2700 available for 'emergency supplies' and other funds are available to support this.

Moved to designate up to \$6000 of PAC funds to support this SEA can project. Andrea made this motion. Membership voted (11 supporting votes) to support this.

- b. Fun Lunch - results from student poll
Andrea shared results from the classes who gave opinions about fun lunches
Fun lunch meal popular answers: pizza, hot dogs, sushi, white spot, subway, McDonalds
Healthy option suggestions: fruit (grapes), hummus and crackers, carrot sticks ok
April - Boston Pizza
May - likely will give Subway/sushi combo
June - considering pizza or pizza/booster juice/sushi combo
 - c. Parent Education Night(s)
Ros looking into presenter options and will pass them on
 - d. Playground Update
 - Sand was put in the nature playground, and has been very popular, so perhaps more sand is needed because it is crowded
 - Waiting patiently for the announcement to be made officially by the province so that things can move forward after that
 - e. Classroom Enrichment Funds
 - Will be discussed on next staff meeting April 14
8. Administration's Report
9. Brett/Emma:
- Generally February tends to be a harder time of the year, and Brett is proud of the student community for doing a great job.
 - Yra Binsted has been working hard on the talent show
 - VCPAC discussion: are the children getting enough time to eat?
 - Students are getting outside often, and hopes for more time outside after Spring Break with better weather

Next PAC meeting - Wednesday, April 14, 2021 7pm