



## TYSON ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

### PAC Minutes

October 18, 2022 called to order by Jennifer G., President at 6:04pm

Welcome. We acknowledge we are privileged to meet on the Stó:lō unceded traditional territory of the Pil'alt, Ts'elxwéyeqw and Semá:th tribes.

### In Attendance

Jennifer G., Jennifer L., Rebekah D., Allyson H., Sam C., Jessie K., Kristina J., Chelsea R., Brittany C., Deirdre O., Michelle Austin\*, Michelle Dargatz\*, Brooke Janzen\* (Staff\*)

### Approval of Agenda and Minutes

October 18, 2022 agenda: Motion by Chelsea R. and Second by Rebekah D. to amend agenda to add open discussion time at end of meeting if time allows.

Amended Agenda Approved: Motion by Chelsea R., Second by Deirdre O'C.

September 20, 2022 minutes: Motion to postpone approval of September 20, 2022 minutes by Jessie K., Second by Deirdre O'C.

### Principal's Report

- **Staffing Update:**
  - Child and Youth Care Worker- bringing on Lauren Thorningcroft
  - Losing current Counselor who was at Tyson one day/week, Lindsey Sanderson, she is taking the VP position at Sardis Elementary until Jan. 31<sup>st</sup>. The counselor position will be posted today.
  - Hoping to hire additional noon hour supervisor soon; one interviewed today
- **School Events:**
  - Bowls of Hope: Running now 3 times/week. Have received excess of buns/bread, made note. About 10 students each time. Staff ask excited children if they have finished their own lunch
  - Harry Potter Club: Ms. Cann is running this club with help from Ms. McDougall. It runs on Mondays in the library from 2:10-3:10. 51 students joined the first meeting. Students will be dismissed from the front door of the school.
  - Orange Shirt Day went well. Thanks to Ms. Julie Gutierrez for taking the school through some Indigenous activities and discussions about Phyllis' Orange Shirt story.
  - Wild Safe presentations for some classes went well.
  - Ninja Warrior started today- running for 2 weeks.
  - Emergency Drills going well; Fire, Lock Down, Hold and Secure done. Constable Kershaw toured and checked during the Hold and Secure Drill and even tested some Gr. 5 doors. Code yellow means police entering. Earthquake Drill this week.
  - Milk and Produce Program has started, milk and pears for today. A few volunteers are helping distribute to the students.
  - Indigenous Orange Heart Art Update: Initiated last year by Joanna Kasper and Ms. Gutierrez, along with input from Deirdre O. Painting company has been contacted again by Brooke to place Orange Heart outside front door as a symbol of welcome.
  - Indigenous Presenter coming soon: Learning About Cedars.
- **Field Trips:**
  - kindergartens went to the library, a few classes went to Green Acres Family Farm, Mrs. Hayes class went to the school board office and decorated for fall with art work and decorations

- **Sports:**
- Thanks to several of our Tyson Staff for volunteering their time for these extracurricular opportunities!
- Soccer Tournament will be at the end of October.
- One more week of Curling with Ms. Toor.
- **Other updates:**
- Joanne Britton from SD33 is posting to Facebook and Twitter a new Halq'emeylem word to learn and practice each week.
- Staff met regarding Halloween activities- Costume Parade on Oct. 31<sup>st</sup>, details to come!
- Mural: Ms. Gutierrez is taking the lead on this, she knows a few local artists and some of our own Tyson parents are artists, as well. Ms. G is meeting with a couple of local band chiefs to get input on the mural. Mrs. Janzen has asked Ms. Gutierrez to be a guest speaker at an upcoming PAC meeting, details to come!
- **Upcoming Dates:**
- No school this Friday Oct. 21<sup>st</sup>.
- Nov. 4<sup>th</sup>-Early Dismissal at 11:10
- Nov. 11<sup>th</sup>- Remembrance Day- No School
- Nov. 17<sup>th</sup>-Photo Retakes
- Nov. 18<sup>th</sup>-First Break the Rules Day!
- Nov. 25<sup>th</sup> and Nov 28<sup>th</sup> - No School.

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**President's Report:** [Tyson-Pac@sd33.bc.ca](mailto:Tyson-Pac@sd33.bc.ca)

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- We have been working hard to coordinate lots of moving parts.
- As an executive, we have voted unanimously to appoint Sam Clarke to the Hot Lunch Committee Chair position. Sam brings previous PAC experience to the role in addition to personal experience in the industry. This role is to oversee and facilitate hot lunches, which require pre-ordering and pre-payment. Sam will be working with a team of volunteers and the executive has given her the autonomy to form a well-rounded committee that will work well together. If you have ideas or would like to help, please email [TysonPacHotLunch@gmail.com](mailto:TysonPacHotLunch@gmail.com)
- As an executive, with Rebekah abstaining, we voted unanimously to appoint Rebekah DenHollander to the Fundraising Committee Chair position. Rebekah has been forming a committee with a variety of experience and backgrounds. This position will be taking the lead on planning fundraising for the duration of the school year. While Rebekah will be overseeing the fundraising for PAC, she is not required to run all the fundraisers. If you would like to help with or run a fundraiser, or if you have any ideas, please email [TysonPacFundraising@gmail.com](mailto:TysonPacFundraising@gmail.com)
- With the appointment of these two individuals, we, as an executive, would like to thank Deirdre for all the hard work and dedication she has shown over the years.
- As an executive with have voted unanimously to appoint Jessie Kik to the C&B committee, following the exit of one committee member. Jessie will be a great addition to the team! We would also like to thank Amy Head for the role she took on the C&B committee over the summer.
- We would also like to let the membership know that we are working towards the possibility of an in person/virtual hybrid meeting for November.
- We have been receiving many new ideas for fundraising and for community-building events the PAC could potentially host. We thank you for these ideas, and we are sharing them with the appropriate committee chair to explore them more in detail.

## Treasurer's Report

Treasurers Report PAC General Account			
Opening Balance as of September 19th, 2022			\$ 8,764.36
<b>Income:</b>			
Income From Great Little Coupon Books			\$ 2,336.29
<b>Total:</b>			\$ 2,336.29
<b>Expenses:</b>			
Meet The Teacher Night			\$ 150.00
<b>Total:</b>			\$ 150.00
<b>Outstanding expenses:</b>			
Great Little Coupon Book Payment	\$ 1,316.00		
Curling Kit	\$ 50.00		
	\$ 1,366.00		
<b>Ending Balance as of October 15th, 2022</b>			<b>\$ 10,950.65</b>
PAC Gaming Account			
Opening Balance as of September 19th, 2022			\$ 650.00
<b>Income:</b>			
BC Gaming Grant			\$ 5,180.00
<b>Total:</b>			\$ 5,180.00
<b>Expenses:</b>			
NIL			\$ -
<b>Total:</b>			\$ -
<b>Ending Balance as of October 15th, 2022</b>			<b>\$ 5,830.00</b>

Tyson Elementary School PAC Proposed Budget										
	Actual 2021/2022			Budget 2022/2023			Actual 2022/2023			Notes
	Gaming	General	Total	Gaming	General	Total	Gaming	General	Total	
<b>Revenue</b>										
BC Gaming Grant	\$4,400.00		\$4,400.00	\$4,400.00		\$4,400.00	\$5,180.00			
Annual PAC grant		\$150.00	\$150.00		\$150.00	\$150.00				
Hot Lunch		\$2,207.75	\$2,207.75		\$2,000.00	\$2,000.00				
Fundraising		\$2,842.64	\$2,842.64		\$2,500.00	\$2,500.00		\$1,020.29		
Total Revenue	\$4,400.00	\$5,200.39	\$9,600.39	\$4,400.00	\$4,650.00	\$9,050.00	\$5,180.00	\$1,020.29	\$0.00	
<b>Expenses</b>										
School Wide Functions	\$1,004.88		\$1,004.88	\$1,200.00		\$1,200.00		\$150.00		1
Class Field Trips		\$165.00	\$165.00		\$200.00	\$200.00				
Teacher Appreciation		\$908.13	\$908.13		\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00				
Fees		\$672.00	\$672.00		\$350.00	\$350.00				
OSOB	\$1,500.00		\$1,500.00		\$1,500.00	\$1,500.00				
Year End Celebrations	\$1,300.00	\$675.00	\$1,975.00	\$2,000.00		\$2,000.00				
Student Treats	\$225.00		\$225.00	\$300.00		\$300.00				
Thank You Gifts		\$75.00	\$75.00		\$50.00	\$50.00				
Bank/Admin Fees			\$0.00		\$25.00	\$25.00				
Teacher Asks	\$725.00		\$725.00		\$1,500.00	\$1,500.00		\$50.00		2
Total Expenses	\$4,754.88	\$2,495.13	\$7,250.01	\$3,500.00	\$4,625.00	\$8,125.00	\$0.00	\$200.00	\$0.00	
<b>Net Profit</b>	<b>-\$354.88</b>	<b>\$2,705.26</b>	<b>\$2,350.38</b>	<b>\$900.00</b>	<b>\$25.00</b>	<b>\$925.00</b>	<b>\$5,180.00</b>	<b>\$820.29</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	
Opening Bank Balance	\$1,004.88	\$6,059.10	\$7,063.98	\$650.00	\$8,764.36	\$9,414.36	\$650.00	\$8,764.36	\$9,414.36	
Ending Bank Balance	\$650.00	\$8,764.36	\$9,414.36	\$1,550.00	\$8,789.36	\$10,339.36				
<b>Notes</b>										
1 - meet the teacher										
2 - curling kit										

- Received Gaming Grant for this year.
- Submitted Summary Report to Government for Gaming Grant.
- Vicky Falk will be removing herself as signer from the PAC bank account. Motion to remove Vicky Falk as Signer made by Chelsea R., Second by Brittany C., None opposed.
- We are still waiting for an invoice for the Terry Fox run bussing.

## Gaming Budget Presentation/Vote

Tyson Elementary School Proposed Gaming Grant Budget 2022/2023			
<b>Revenue</b>			
BC Gaming Grant	\$5,180.00		
<b>Total Revenue</b>	<b>\$5,180.00</b>		
<b>Expenses</b>			
School Wide Functions	\$1,200.00		
Year End Celebrations	\$2,000.00		
Student Treats	\$300.00		
Teacher Asks			
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>\$3,500.00</b>		
<b>Net Profit</b>	<b>\$1,680.00</b>		
Opening Bank Balance	\$650.00		
Ending Bank Balance	\$2,330.00		

- Gaming grant has already been received.
- Motion to approve Gaming Budget by Jessie, Second by Sam, Unanimous vote.

## Constitution and Bylaw Committee Report

- Goals of the Committee:
  - To seek clarity
  - To be more inclusive
  - To define possible contentious issues
  - To foster increased involvement by addressing roles and committees in detail
- We would like to thank everyone for their input regarding the C&B.
- Committee Members: Allyson Hockin, Jennifer Geng and Jessie Kik.

- At the request of members, a special meeting was held on Oct. 13<sup>th</sup>, 2022, to discuss the C&B proposal. The committee was seeking to provide clarification and reasoning for the proposed changes. We heard from several parents at the meeting. Due to time constraints, we were unable to complete a thorough discussion on every point in the proposal, but we made excellent progress. We would like to thank everyone who made it out to the meeting to participate.
- Many hours have gone into the effort of drafting this proposal, but the C&B committee will be moving forward in drafting a new proposal. Our aim is to consider all the feedback provided both before and during the special meeting. We will be working diligently to create a new proposal that can be clear and concise.
- An updated draft will be presented by the committee and circulated for everyone to review
- Please email [tyson-pac@gmail.com](mailto:tyson-pac@gmail.com) for any suggestions or comments

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**DPAC Report:** [dpac@sd33.bc.ca](mailto:dpac@sd33.bc.ca)

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- 2022/23 General and Gaming Budget was proposed and approved.
- A special event was held at the DPAC meeting, the Blanket Exercise. This workshop was put on by SD33 Indigenous Ed. This exercise can be offered to the students of the Chilliwack School district.
- The Chilliwack School District has received \$1.5 million in one-time funding from the Ministry of Education and Child Care to support students and families with costs associated with the return to school.  
<https://www.sd33.bc.ca/announcement/student-and-family-affordability-fund>
- The school district will consult with Indigenous rights holders, staff, district and parent advisory councils (PACs) and other stakeholders over the next weeks to determine how this funding can best support the specific needs in our school community.
- DPAC would appreciate hearing ideas from our Tyson Elementary Parents/Guardians regarding how and where to spend this Student and Family Affordability Fund from the Ministry of Education and Childcare. Please use the "Let's Talk Feedback Form" found on the SD33 DPAC website <https://www.letstalksd33.ca/> to give your feedback.
- An Updated Questions and Answers Bulletin regarding the Student and Family Affordability Fund from the Ministry of Education and Childcare has been added to the Files of the Tyson PAC Facebook Group.
- DPAC will be looking to host some parent presentations in the coming year and would like to know what may interest PACs and Parents/Guardians. Some ideas DPAC has heard are presentations on understanding the new CBIEP's, Anti-Bullying, Indigenous Education, Parental Rights in Public Education and Digital Safety. What are Parents/Guardians/PAC Members interested in learning about this year? Please provide your feedback directly to: [dpac@sd33.bc.ca](mailto:dpac@sd33.bc.ca)

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**Fundraising Report:** [TysonPacFundraising@gmail.com](mailto:TysonPacFundraising@gmail.com)

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- **Past Fundraisers:**
- Thank you, Tyson, the Coupon Book Fundraiser did really well; 235 books sold: \$1020.29 profit.
- **Upcoming Fundraisers:**
- Winter Plant Sale Coming Up! Open Nov 7, closes Nov 27, delivered Dec 12. Locally grown; Poinsettias, Holiday Wreaths, Planters, Succulent Arrangements, and more.  
<https://tysonelementarypac.growingsmilesfundraising.com/home>
- Popcorn Days: Working out the details; hoping to do them once per month
- Winter Holiday Event- News to come!
- Thank you to Allyson for running the winter plant sale and for Rebekah running the coupon books sale
- If you have an idea or would like to help with fundraising events email [TysonPacFundraising@gmail.com](mailto:TysonPacFundraising@gmail.com)

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**Hot Lunch Report:** [TysonHotLunch@gmail.com](mailto:TysonHotLunch@gmail.com)

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- **Current Hot Lunch:**
- A&W Hot Lunch on October 28 is open for orders on Munchalunch. Closes for orders Monday, Oct. 24<sup>th</sup>. Different dietary options available. <https://munchalunch.com/home.html>
- **Future Dates:**
- Dates are set for the year and vendors lined are up.

- Dates: Oct 28, Nov 18, Dec 2, Dec 16, Jan 26, Feb 24, Mar 17, Apr 6, May 5. Depending on other year end plans, possibly one more Hot Lunch in June with date TBD.
- Hope to include local Tyson family businesses- Royal Zayka and Austin Fish & Chips. Let Sam know if you know of others to possibly support from our Tyson family.
- Please email Sam if you would like to help with hot lunch at TysonHotLunch@gmail.com

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### Staff Requests

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- Mr. Dumont requests a Carpet Spot Cleaner for rugs/carpet for when accidents occur involving urine, feces, vomit, and dog excrement tracked in from the field, etc.
- Approx. \$200 for a home-use type machine. We will put this request out to the parent/guardian membership to inquire about possible donations, or if someone in our Tyson family that may work in this industry could advise regarding obtaining an industrial use machine at low cost to the school/PAC.  
(Note: The school carpets/rugs are cleaned professionally twice per year, but these types of messes can occur daily at the school.)

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### Open Discussion and Questions

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- Why do we bus to the Blue Heron Reserve for the Terry Fox Run instead of walking in our area? Answer: Jim Edgcombe (principal a few years ago) started it to build community amongst students at the beginning of the year. The kids also have more fun going there than just walking around the school.
- Why is One School One book taken from general instead of gaming? Answer: Some teachers read the book to their classes so it could be considered being used as curriculum which the gaming grant cannot provide funds for. To be safe from audits, we have put it in general.
- What is the Gaming Grant? Answer: Casinos and lottery sales are taxed extra by the province and those extra taxes go back into the community. Eligible community groups can apply to get grants from this money, PACs are one of these groups and we receive \$20 per student in our school based on enrolment at the time of applying (apply in spring and receive the funds in the fall).

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### Next Meeting

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***Tuesday, November 29, 2022 at 6pm***

*Meeting adjourned by Jennifer G. at 7:24pm*