

HPAC Meeting – Tuesday, November 9th at 5 pm

Via Zoom

Agenda:

- Welcome/ Introductions
- Treasurer Update/ Intermediate Foyer Update
- Halloween Recap
- Hot Lunch Update
- DPAC Update
- Fundraisers for Term 1 - Chocolates & Plants
- Social Media Update
- Class Parents
- Spirit Wear
- HPAC Monthly Newsletter
- Principals Report
- Open Discussion/ Questions/ New Business

Welcome & Introductions:

I would like to welcome everyone here today and thank you for joining us for our monthly PAC Meeting. We would like to recognize that we are gathered together on the traditional lands of the Squamish Nation and want to thank our friends and colleagues in the Nation who are working with us to guide our understanding of the history of this land and its people. We respect and honour the Elders past, present and future as we bring this knowledge to the students of our community.

Let's take a minute to introduce ourselves to everyone.

We are still looking to fill roles for next year and so I am asking that each of you think about these roles and if there is someone you know that might be interested in any of these roles, please give them my contact information so I can speak with them.

Unfortunately, Annie is no longer with PAC and so will not be stepping into the role of Hot Lunch Coordinator so that role will need to be filled. That is a crucial role because without that role, there is no hot lunch. Someone needs to oversee hot lunch and run the technical side of it. We will be really working hard to fill these roles in the new year but if you know of anyone that might be interested, please have them contact me.

Roles to Fill:

- PAC Co Chair
- Hot Lunch Coordinator
- Treasurer

Treasurer Update/ Intermediate Foyer (Emma):

Balance of accounts

HPAC account = \$36,459.76

Gaming Grant = \$19,455.19

Agreed costs to be covered by Gaming Grant funds are First Aid Training for grade 6 and 7 (this is approved in the budget) and to top up the supplies of sports jerseys for the sports teams. We may also produce a few extra to sell on munch a lunch.

The Intermediate Foyer project is ticking along nicely thanks to Earlene. Emily and the teachers have pulled together their wish list of items/furniture and now Earlene is meeting with suppliers to see how they can make this work in the space. Earlene is finding progress slow with suppliers but will continue following up.

Halloween Recap:

Thanks to the support of parents with our fundraising efforts we were able to purchase 201 pumpkins for our students to paint and carve out for Halloween this year! Kids were excited to take home a pumpkin. I had one teacher stop me as I was picking up our hot lunch bags and wanted to share how one of her students was so excited that he named his pumpkin and spoke to him!!! It's great that the kids were happy to have their own pumpkin. Only 2 divisions were not able to participate due to FSA's (Div 1 & 2).

I would like to do something similar for Christmas - maybe order a large candy cane per student and hand it out on the last day of school. Your thoughts? If everyone agrees, I will source them. The pumpkins were \$2 each as I went to a farm in Richmond and picked them up - otherwise here locally they were \$5 each. I can source a large candy cane individually wrapped/boxed for about \$2.50 each. We raise so much money each year with our fundraisers so I think it's important that we use it for the students while they are here. A little something goes a long way!

Hot Lunch Update

Term 2 ordering will run from Dec 6 - 17th with the first hot lunch delivered on Wednesday, January 5th. Term 2 hot lunch runs until Friday, March 11th.

Our distribution team has been doing such a great job with running the parent volunteers side of Hot Lunch. Bona, Bella and Mitsuko are doing an awesome job!!! Thank you ladies!!

I sent out a thank you email to all parents that made a straight donation while ordering lunch for Term 1. We raised \$785 as straight donations to PAC!!

As mentioned, Annie is no longer going to be taking over the role of running Hot Lunch so again if you know of anyone - this is a crucial role to fill.

[DPAC Update \(Asem\):](#)

I am going to turn it over to Asem to fill us in on the last general meeting held on November 3rd that Asem and I attended. Please note he will be giving a brief summary with the full meeting minutes attached as a link to our meeting notes so that you are welcome to read it in full at your leisure.

[Fundraisers for Term 1:](#)

We have 2 fundraisers going right now:

Purdy's Chocolates: runs until November 26 - so far no orders in yet

Poinsetta's from Growing Smiles - runs until November 16th - and currently we have \$60 in orders with a profit so far of \$25!

I am going to have the school send out a separate email with just these 2 fundraisers so that we can encourage more sales.

[Social Media Update:](#)

Sam - we will keep encouraging parents to sign up for our IG, FB and Twitter so that when we communicate out they will see the information!

[Class Parents:](#)

We have filled all divisions with a class parent except Div 6 so I will be that class parent. I have sent out a thank you email to all class parents that signed up and have sent Nathan the tracking so that he can advise all teachers of

who their class parent is. I will be sending out an email to all class parents in the next week regarding a Christmas collection for their teacher.

Spirit Wear:

Our Hollyburn T Shirts are now on munchalunch so that you can go online and order one. We are also ordering more Jersey's as Emma mentioned and so once we have that information, we will put them up for sale on munchalunch as well. Fundraisers stay open all year long. I will be sending out more information to parents on this with the next newsletter. Right now the focus is Chocolates and Plants!

HPAC Monthly Newsletter:

We have gone back to sending out the newsletter with the e-bulletin. I put a point form mention in the ebulletin of what is in the newsletter. Full details are in the newsletter and not the ebulletin as that already has so much information in it.

Principal's Report

This month is Natural November where we share ways in which spending time with nature can benefit us both physically and mentally.

We will be collecting food donations for the Food Bank this month.

There will be no Scholastic Book fair this Christmas. However there is \$200 in the budget for the library's book wish list.

There will be no in-person winter concert this year due to Covid restrictions. The students are learning festive songs and Mr Feige is organizing a video recording to be sent to all families in December. Thank you to PAC for offering to decorate the gym stage for our Christmas concert. Please note that Covid restrictions mean that parents may not be in the school during main school hours.

Hollyburn students will be sponsoring a tree this year at the Dundarave Festival of Lights, Grosvenor Ambleside Galleria location. Several classes will walk to Ambleside to decorate the tree.

Communicating Student Learning Documents will be entirely posted online via the Family Portal (access instructions will be sent out to families later this month).

Open Discussion/ Questions/ New Business

- Christmas Meal for Teachers - we usually do a nice lunch for Teachers each December as a thank you from PAC. This is in the budget and will be done again this year. I will coordinate with Nathan regarding the day and how he would like this to look so we respect proper protocol with gatherings.