

SJD PAC Meeting

PAC MEETING

DATE: 27 September 2021

TIME: 6:30 pm - 8:00 pm

LOCATION: Zoom

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://gvsd61.zoom.us/j/62392304698?pwd=THRDT0w0dFUzWDhNbIFzZUY4VEpGUT09>

Attendees - Listed Separately

Meeting Minutes

1. Introductions - Julia

- Introductions
- PACs job is to raise funds and create community within the school to support our children's learning
- Funds support a variety of items including reading books, classroom enhancements, field trips, grade 5 celebrations, school equipment and gym improvements, teacher recognition
- Large focus this year will be to continue to expand community connection

2. PAC Executive

With the exception of key roles (below), the intent will be to fill all executive roles at the next meeting.

- **Treasurer**
 - Collect fundraising chqs
 - Interested parties
 - Roxanna Mohtadi
- **Communications Manager**
 - Manages email, social media accounts (facebook, instagram)
 - Interested
 - Jenny Stoldt
 - Melanie Ransome (support)

3. Fundraiser Ideas

- Bottle drives - Julia
 - 1 day event
 - No sort bottle drive
 - 3 bottle drives last year averaged \$1600-\$1900

- New this year: have parents commit to timeslot to spread the commitment
- Janessa Serediuk can volunteer her time
- Purdy's Chocolate - **Roxanna**
 - December (Xmas) and March (Easter) sales
 - December 2019 - \$2500
 - March 2020 - \$1500
 - All day event; sorting 1-2 hours + delivery
 - Grandma Mandy to help Roxanna sort
- Fernwood Coffee - **Maylyn Elliot**
 - Made ~\$1200 last school year
 - 30 min / every 2 weeks + pick-up
 - Liz Steffanick and Angelika Koch to support Maylyn
- Growing Smiles (Xmas plants) - **Julia**
 - Online orders
 - 4 hours to organize and distribute
 - Janessa Serediuk to support
- Cookie Dough - **Roxanna**
 - From Indigo
 - Last year raised ~\$1300
 - Roxanna to review what she will do this year
- Finn & Izzy Purchases
 - Already registered and we automatically get a cheque
- Holiday Emporium - Cancelled
 - Murray to remove from school calendar
- Hot Lunch
 - Interested to explore how we open this up again; all ideas welcome
- Steel Drive - **Roxanna**
 - Roxanna to make some inquiries from other schools that have successfully run it
- SJA Branded Face Masks
 - **Katherine** to look into it
- Ad Hoc Volunteers for multiple events
 - Alyson van Hardenberg
 - Sarah Causton
 - Janessa Serediuk
 - Angie Koch

4. Gaming Grant Registration

- Julia to get the information from Laura and get SJD registered

5. Playground

- Laura - long time chair secured upgrade to front of school
- Fundraising was matched by donor
- Laura has committed to finishing the project, although she is no longer actively on the PAC

6. Murray

- Large registration fluctuations caused some difficulty in the first two weeks
- September COVID exposures
 - Our school has the largest number of exposures to date.
 - Many requests are not within Murray's power; he is bound by VIHA / Ministry guidance and rules
 - Murray has been actively communicating concerns / anxiety he is hearing to the decision makers
 - Murray shares in parents frustration and anxiety; 95% of emails from parents are very supportive and grateful which has helped
- Questions
 - Are teachers allowed to remind kids to wear masks?
 - Yes and they provide masks as required
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 - Curious if classes who were in contact with the staff member who reported a positive test result have been contacted?
 - Murray does not know. This is VIHA's responsibility.
 - Everybody has a different tolerance to risk. Some of us have been pre-emptive to the whole situation, pulling our kids early, etc. We are doing the best we can with multiple kids under one roof. Is there a way for us as parents who are willing to volunteer this information to give it and how can we give parents more information?
 - Per Murray, these are questions for the health authorities. He is strictly regulated by Island Health.
 - Per Casey, here is a parent led reporting form with results:
https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSe-7QhdyUoLniLNqMRnlbTefCd5HBeOKt2qAKfy4SyEK3tEjA/viewform?edit_requested=true
 - Are all students in the 4 classes with covid at home?
 - If the child was present for days of exposure then they are required to stay home for 10 days
 - Siblings also allowed to attend school
 - Cluster vs outbreak discussion; per Island Health:

- Cluster: Two or more confirmed cases within a 14-day period, with evidence of transmission occurring within the school and no other likely source of exposure (eg home or social contact).
 - Outbreak: Multiple confirmed cases within a 14-day period, with evidence of ongoing transmission occurring within the school; Island Health's Medical Health Officer determines that exceptional measures are required to prevent further transmission of COVID-19.
- Teachers at SJD are also feeling frustrated for lack of information on other classroom exposures.
 - Murray's question in return: how does this knowledge change your day to day decisions?
 - We must always work with the assumption that COVID is coming into our classrooms everyday
- Does anyone know how to interpret this: <https://www.islandhealth.ca/learn-about-health/covid-19/schools>
 - Are there 3 different clusters?

7. Richardson Street Diversions Survey

- Casey to provide the survey results to Julia and Jenny

8. Budget

- To be reviewed / approved at the October 2021 meeting

Every PAC meeting last Monday of the month; next PAC meeting: **25 October 2021 @ 6:30 pm**