



**Panorama Heights Elementary School
Parent Advisory Council
General Meeting,
Feb 18th, 2025
7:00 pm
MINUTES**

Attendance: Elisa Hudson, Samantha Kroschinsky, Perry Muxworthy, Faranak, Christine Tse, Ya Wen, Amy Judd, Tony, Rebecca Armstrong, Reza, Chie Cho

7:00 pm Welcome and intro – PAC Committee

7:02pm Chair Update on PAC Events, Fundraisers, etc.

1. Reminder of Hot lunches - watch for the newsletters and flyers for updates on hot lunches and treat days
2. Fundraiser: Spring Plant Fundraiser (plants arriving May 9th & order deadline April 25th)
3. Pro D Day Courses – Red Cross and Stay Safe – Full attendance
4. Anxiety Info Session – Hosted by Counsellor [Ryan Mymko](#). Feb 24th 6:30-8pm via Zoom. Will be recorded for parents who miss the live stream.

7:15pm Overview:

1. Treasurer (Jre)- Financial Report (Balance does not account for the Red Cross courses which will take a portion out.) Using funds to generate more interest via Vancity.
2. Hot lunch & Treat Day committee- Aimee, Allison, Rebecca
3. Event Coordinators- Spring Fair- Elisa, Aimee, Sam, Jre, Allison
4. Movie Night (Christine) Showing Sonic the Hedgehog 3 - Event time: 5:45-8pm. Ticket holder gets popcorn, pizza and candy bag.
5. Spring Fair – Ways to help out: Help volunteer to run kids activities, ask your fellow parents to get involved, fundraising for raffle tickets, help ask for basket donations, etc.

7:25pm DPAC Update from Ya Wen

January 29th Dpac meeting focusing on the 'Impact of AI in the Classrooms'

- Co-Pilot 13+ (Microsoft) is the AI tools that will come out this fall for **Grade 9 and older**.
- SD #43 is the first district to roll it out in the province Fall 2025
- Co-Pilot 13+ (Microsoft) will be integrated into student's Microsoft 365.
- Co-Pilot has 'Guardrail' which has rules for the chat bot that can be controlled for the safety of the student. The information/answers that are provided to students could be limited/censored due to safety concerns for the children.
- This program will not store children's data such as questions) and one cannot go back to previous conversations for privacy and safety concerns.
- Functionality: Will be in chat format like ChatGP
- **Perry & Teachers:** Staff spent half the Pro-D day, going through the AI via Edge browser. Spent the day on creative ways to use AI, upsides, things to watch for, etc.
- There will be support to teach kids how to protect themselves (posters, talks, etc... such as don't put in personal information)
- One of the main lessons for student is 'How to check accuracy of answers', it is easy to get an answer but how do you know it is accurate to what you are trying to answer. Can you critically think about the answer you are getting, helping kids vet the information they receive.
- Great ways for students to use... Eg. can ask AI to 'create flashcards to help study' or 'Ask me interview questions for a interview with McDonalds'.
- Next DPAC Meeting Feb 22, 2025

7:30pm

Updates from Principal Mr. Muxworthy

1. Clock status – Parts being sourced by 3rd party company for ideas on how clock will be fixed. PAC will fund.
2. Canopy status
3. Mascot logo status – Coyote, parent when and used AI to create the mascot.
4. Teachers using PAC Funded Field Trip Money
 - PAC increased the monies to teachers this year to be used for field trips.
 - There is more 'in class' experiences versus actual 'field trips outside school' due to the cost of transportation. In class becomes the most cost effective.
 - Some parents may feel that other classes get more fieldtrips, this is the discretion of each teacher as capacities can be different but there will be support to help them utilize these classroom enrichment opportunities. Perry will ask Teachers to share how their field trip money will be used.

Principal Report from Perry

1. Student Registration – Currently this is the busy time of year for registration. Starts in January due to Language of Choice Program. So in January, there are 30 registrations for French from the lottery. Then English and then Cross Catchment Requests. Once all are finalized, there is a better idea for projected enrollment. Then they provide it to the district and they would decide the staffing. Registration process and
2. Curling – Coming for the kids first week of March. They will use rock that have wheels on the gym floor and then targets on the floor to simulate real curling.
3. Musical Performance – Earlier this month for students, well enjoyed.
4. Hot Lunch - Eats up some of the PE Period on Wednesday. Can brainstorm for next year.
5. Pink Shirt Day' Anti Bullying & Inclusiveness. There will be a 'Random Acts of Kindness Week'

8:15pm Meeting ends

Next meeting April 15, 2025 – Zoom – Link to come.