

# Colquitz Middle School – PAC Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, November 21, 2023 @ 6:30PM

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Meeting called to order at 6:31PM

**Attendees:** Carrie Schlappner, Sarah Elford, Kindree Draper, Nicole Nyvall, Serena Samra, Lisa Gelling, Kirsten, Lori

## 1. Introductions

## 2. Review and approve October minutes

- Motion to approve November 17, 2023 minutes by Lisa; seconded by Nicole

## 3. Budget Discussion

- General Account: \$2,733.09
- Gaming: \$14,684.79
- School Account: \$1,410

## 4. Items for Discussion

- Recap Parent Education Event at Spectrum – panel discussion with Dr. Reka Gustafson, MYST, Csts Mark Jenkins and Jody Pavesic
  - Great turnout with 100-110 attendees
  - Most successful event to date
  - Summary: great discussion and pointing out we are all in “recovery” phase from the pandemic as individuals. As part of recovery, going back to community is important and we need to ensure we are using opportunities to be together in shared spaces, getting back into activities, socializing, etc.
- Next steps on letter to board re: elimination of police liaison program
  - Discussed approach to prepare letter by using PAC FaceBook page poll to ensure we have current parent views
  - Gather information from the poll and summary report to prepare draft letter
- Status of 2023-24 Parent Ed application for funding
  - Approved – waiting for cheque from District
- Fundraising Approach Update
  - Overview of meeting with Principal Schlappner, CPAPA president and fundraising chair, sa well as PAC chair and treasurer regarding fundraising
  - Point of meeting was to determine a more coordinated approach for the school, to identify needs of CPAPA and school, i.e. fundraising for new A/V system in the gym
  - CPAPA has advised there is no need for fundraising this year
    - Popcorn fundraising has begun
  - “No sort” bottle drive requested for January 13, 14, 20 or 21 (one day, not all); waiting for response from bottle depot
  - Subway lunches being facilitated by school being discussed
  - Plan going forward is to meet annually at the beginning of the school year to discuss plans and needs
- Welcome Ceremony and Event for [Dylan Thomas Art](#) piece:
  - Art piece has been delivered
  - Proposal to have a touch screen to provide video of Dylan’s about the piece so students of today and future know its meaning to the school community and for our relationship with Indigenous people and culture
  - With Dylan’s permission, PAC has proposed to seek donations from organizations for up to \$5,000 that would include \$1,200 to purchase a touchscreen; video of Dylan telling the story of the art piece
  - Investigate cost that district Facilities department will charge for installation
  - Look into spirit wear to support the art piece and recognition in the school

## 5. Principal / Admin Report

- Lovely Remembrance Day ceremony with drumming incorporated with family members able to attend
- Upcoming Events:
  - November 22: lockdown practice taking place
  - November 29: CC day with letters going home with those students are requested to stay the afternoon
  - November 27, 28, 30, December 1: Show week for fall play
  - Up to December 8: Santa's Closet donations of new or like-new items that can be re-gifted and picked up specific students to select as gifts for their family
    - Organized by Learning Support teachers
    - PAC will donate some funds to assist with some purchases of specific items
  - Up to December 14: Cram the Cruiser event: non perishable food items and unwrapped gifts can be donated
    - Each classroom has a box and the class that donates the most will get a pizza lunch
    - Burnside Gorge Community will receive the donations
  - December 22: December's Festive Hot Chocolate Day & PJ day
    - Hot chocolate, cookies, candy canes available for students
    - Investigate borrowing or rental of carafes

## 6. Opens

- VCPAC: Tracy Humphries is stepping down as President
- Clarification on eating time for lunch
  - 15 min at the beginning of lunch break with the option to eat during silent reading, outside, and / or during a different time arranged with classroom teacher

## 7. Next PAC Meeting

- January 16, 2023 @ 6:30PM

Motion to adjourn by Kindree, seconded by Serena, passed. Meeting Adjourned at 7:34PM.