

**Bradner Elementary School  
Parent Advisory Council**

**Meeting Minutes**

**December 6, 2024**

**In Attendance**

Diana Madden, Elyse Schroeder, Elva Lottenbach, Erica Wall, Jocelyn Radom, Ravina Gill, Grace Janzen, Lori Whitman.

**November Minutes**

- Motion to accept November's minutes made by Elva, 2<sup>nd</sup> By Grace, all in favour

**Principal's Report**



Mrs. Sidhu continues to be on leave. I am committed until January 30<sup>th</sup>. Since the last PAC meeting on Nov. 1 school-life has continued to be active and busy. Daily announcements and the Bulldog assembly contribute to the positive school culture and reinforce expectations. SMART code of success; Safety, Manners, Attitude, Responsibility and Thoughtfulness. Students are recognized at the assembly for showing those attributes and their commitment to home reading. A slide show reflecting the past month's activities also contributes to the positive culture.

Students exhibited outstanding behaviour and respect during the Remembrance Day assembly. Students led as MC's and performers. Having special guests and a tea after added to the importance of the assembly.

Thanks to the PAC for Inline skating. It was an extremely popular activity and a great experience. Floor Hockey is complete. Gr 4 FSA's are complete. Thank you for hosting movie night.

School Cash online – All parents should have an account. This system is used K-12. The goal is for schools to be cashless. It helps with maintaining records, efficiency and instructional time. (I will look into PAC online payments systems)

Reminder that we try to go outside every am & pm recess. Students are expected to dress for the weather, warm clothing, umbrellas, rain/snow boots and keep a change of clothes at school.

Please let your child's teacher or administrator know if finances are an issue for providing your child(ren) supplies; clothing, food, field trip fees, PAC hot lunches and/or other activities. All requests will be kept confidential.

Christmas Concert and decorations - Help

Staff feedback regarding upcoming hot lunch and snacks – looks good. Include where the food is from.

Learning Updates: aka report cards - Provincial changes as of last year. Goal to be parent-friendly and state directly what your child can do.

### **Upcoming Events**

Dec. 4 -13 - Food Bank Drive

Dec 4 – PAC Popcorn Day

Dec. 12 - 1:30 pm & 6:00 pm - Christmas Concert – Needing parent volunteers. Staging, sound & lighting, set up and take down.

Dec. 13 – PAC Hot Lunch

Dec. 13 - Pajama Day & Science World Presentation

Dec. 13 - Learning Progress Reports go home

Dec. 16 - Christmas Head Gear Day

Dec. 17 - Red & Green Day

Dec. 18 - Christmas Clothes Day (PAC – Santa Photos and Pancake lunch for all students)

Dec. 19 - Ice Skating 9:15 – 12:35 – Mitts/Sweater Day

Dec. 19 – PAC Treat Day

Dec. 20 - Last Day before the Winter Break

Dec. 23 – Jan. 3 – Winter break

- We have a Temp custodian right now, our regular custodian is on mat leave.
- School cash online for hot lunch? Going to look into it again
- Reward for food drive per class, eg class gets an extra recess.

### **Treasurer's Report**

- Bank balances as of Nov 30, 2024  
Chequing \$5951.16  
Gaming \$7573.09  
Savings (playground fund) \$30007.33

Major Expenses:

Chequing Acct

Red Robin Hot Lunch \$680.75, YTD Hot Lunch profit \$1260.00

Remembrance Day Tea \$68.79

Popcorn \$573.30 (increase in cost since last time we bought)

Gaming Acct

In-Line Skating Program \$1811.25

Grade 5 Hoodies \$250.00

### Fundraisers Summary:

Halloween Dance received bar sales cheque \$160.00

Profit \$2101.00 (800 dollar increase for Halloween)

Global Coffee sales \$1107.50, profit \$482.50

Movie Night sales \$352.60, profit \$238.87

### DPAC

- Need new DPAC rep as Thursdays are too busy for Grace now. Elva can do Jan meeting.

### Voting and New Business

#### Voting/ New business

- May Day preparations - Diana
  - Market Vendor Lead needed. Talked about putting them on the concrete- Diana will give the vendors a map.
  - Concession update - cut hamburgers and hotdogs out of concession this year. Just sell
    - We are getting teriyaki truck and mini donuts for hot food.
  - Bake sale will be near silent auction and ticket tent.
  - Stuffie will talk to Dakota about taking it on.
  - Parade route we need a place for them.
  - Float
- Pancake breakfast/Santa Claus – would we like Dec 18<sup>th</sup> - We need volunteers for the Wednesday – hopefully Jill, reach out to Kim, Erica and Danica possibly.
- Grade 5 trip update - Was there any discussion with the teachers about it? – some parents have taken on some fundraising and teachers are doing Purdy's. Still no word on where the field trip will be.
- Setting up the stage – talked about setting it up today and possibly help decorate on Monday morning. Diana, Jocelyn and Elva can help today.
- Dinner for the teachers on the evening of the concert – cultural Christmas potluck. 10 people – Elyse – salad and drinks, Diana – lemon grass chicken, Jocelyn – rice. Dessert – bake sale items.
- Bake sale at the concert organization and sellers. – asking for it back Tuesday but package Thursday morning. Elyse to sell in the morning concert and leave ipad for evening sales. Need a volunteer to run bake sale at the evening show.
- Donation to food bank or other organization from bake sale proceeds. -same as every year.
- Hot lunch update for next round – one page order form. Parents are happy with that change. Snack days will always be delivered around noon.
- School ice skating Dec 19<sup>th</sup> – hot chocolate and cookie volunteers – Christine and Ravina and Erica. Meet at 12. Elva and Grace will help when they get back to the school.
- Containers – Diana will go get what is needed. We will check after PAC meeting.
- Gaming authority audit e-mailed to us to be completed? No email, not needed.

➤ Other Business

- Art card update- Christine – some did not make Happy Birthday cards but the ones who did are very cute. – due date to order Monday.
- Grade 5 trip fundraisers update. – covered above.
- Gradwear update – done kids have their sweaters. They love them.
- Spiritwear update –Tanya and Diana – Tanya not here today. We will check the office may have the order there.
- After school club update
  - Baking club update –Melissa will start it up again in January
  - Singing club update – nothing started yet, we will start after Christmas.
  - Soccer for the younger kids. – Elva talked to Courtney, the contact she has is in Africa right now. She will work on it and it will start in the spring. 4 sessions after school during either feb. march or April.
  - Maypole to start mid April, Tuesdays and Fridays. Dates to come.
- Bingo night possibly Jan 31 - All PAC to organize and all volunteer slots added to volunteer sign up link pinned to whatsapp communication thread.
- Bradner hall wants parents to know that Bradner community Christmas party is on Dec 22 1-4. Jubilee hall also has an event – Diana will post events on Facebook page.
- Volunteer link – send out reminder for December events.

Round Table

Meeting adjourned 11:25

➤ Next Meeting

- Date - Friday Jan 17<sup>th</sup> 9:15am