

Brooksbank Elementary PAC Meeting

7p.m., November 6, 2019 | Brooksbank Library

1. **Call to order, Welcome** (Corinna Bork) – 7:05 p.m.
2. **Approval of agenda and adoption of minutes** (Corinna Bork) – Approved
3. **Status of action items from last meeting** (Corinna Bork)
 - June PAC minutes were not approved last month due a question whether it was posted on the website. It was posted and the minutes have now been approved.
4. **Treasurer's Report** (Carly Philip)
 - Incoming: \$423 received from Olivers' Labels fundraiser. RBC grant of \$1000 received. School Swag, over 100 items ordered, raised \$1200. Waiting for school supply kickback, typically not till a few months later.
 - Main spending in October: Library \$1258, Safeteen \$898, upcoming performance by Lakota Performing Arts \$900
 - Please contact BBPACTreasurer@gmail.com anytime with questions about financials
5. **Principals' Report** (Spencer Kelly absent due to illness, report read by Corinna Bork)
 - *Basketball*: for Grade 7s, still awaiting word from Sutherland - may run it without them. One school dropped out due to lack of players.
 - *Skiing*: buses expensive, plus increase in staffing costs for coverage. The costs range from \$375 to \$405 (per child).
 - They need a minimum of 70-100 students depending on program. To keep the cost at \$300 per student (\$50 increase from previous year), PAC would need to contribute \$10,000 per year – not an option at this point.
 - The option using the Seymour Mountain shuttles from Parkgate was looked into and were found to be not workable.
 - The last option would be to have a parent run program after school, would require volunteer.
 - *Cell Phones*: becoming a problem as they are big distractions, especially for older students. Brooksbank is trying to coordinate a response that is common across the family of schools
 - *Conferences*: November 19th and 21st, 12:10 dismissals
 - student/family/teacher conference format
 - next newsletter will have information on how you can prepare for the conferences

- will use Sign-Up Genius for scheduling of the conferences
- *Centennial Theatre Concert*: more information out next week. Tickets will be sold online. Will be on December 10th, the day before the Jingle Mingle.
- Glenda is now principal of Norgate. Joan Martins is temporary VP until a permanent replacement can be found (likely late November/early December).

6. General Elections

Executive:

- Chair – Lisa Whitfield (nominated by Colleen Foy), Tanya Henderson (nominated by Colleen Jesson)
- Vice Chair – Colleen Foy (nominated by Lisa Whitfield), Colleen Jesson (nominated by Tanya Henderson)
- Treasurer – Carly Philip (nominated by Leanne Aveling)
- Secretary - Tammy Desor (nominated by Corinna Bork)
- DPAC Rep – Theresa Duvall (nominated by Tanya Henderson)
- Past Chair (non-elective position): Corinna Bork

All positions were voted by a show of hands in favour of the above nominations.

Members at Large:

- Fun Lunch Coordinators - Julie Tymchuk, Jackie Lamont, Leanne Aveling (fundraising)
- Fun Lunch Volunteers -Tara Cusanelli
- Fundraising Coordinator- Allison Anderson
- Purdys – Erika Smortesky
- Website Coordinator – Corinna Bork
- Staff Appreciation Lunch – Tanya Henderson, Eliza Burrows
- Family of School – Pat Link
- General: Camille Reid, Don Kristensen

Open Positions:

- **After-school coordinator**
- **Jingle Mingle**
- **Parent Night**
- **Student Directory**

7. Jingle Mingle (all)

- Donations and wrapping supplies can now be dropped off on gym stage.
- Craft table (Holiday cards) will be run by Chandra Junck.
- Auction of the parking spot and outdoor learning area stepping stone (Lisa Whitfield).
- Food (pizza, sushi) and activities will be available on Munchalunch around Nov 20
- Do Good – will have a table in Mr. Earlands room
- Giant Jenga game may be created by Toby Barratt and Ben Jesson

- Tables: requested that we rent a U-haul to pick up (Dec 10) and drop off (Dec 12), \$25 each way by Michelle Mullie (1st, Corinna Bork , 2nd Chandra Junck, approved)
- Library will be available at noon on Dec 11 for set up.
- More info to go out to parents and class reps shortly

8. Committee updates

- **Natural Playground (Allison Anderson – regrets)**
 - A retaining wall has been added. The slope has been backfilled and hydroseeded with various grasses and wildflowers. Hydroseeding tends to have resilient and fast growing grass. This was provided by Habitat at no added charge.
 - Stones – have already been paid for including engraving. Families or groups are encouraged to donate to get their name engraved on a stone. Please contact bbpacchair@gmail.com for more information.
- **Family of Schools (Pat Link – regrets)**
 - Harvest festival held in October had another successful year. Requesting feedback from attendees on how to improve.
 - Pub Night coming in May at Two Lions. Wine wall, silent auction, 50/50 raffle plus dancing!
- **DPAC (Theresa Duvall)**
 - NVPAC is having a diversity and inclusion meeting on Nov 12, all welcome. Held at the Education Services Building on Lonsdale.
 - Strategic Planning Meeting on Nov 27. Bring phone/tablet.

9. New Business

- Possible babysitting with a movie night? Ridgeway currently does this, charging \$25/child \$10/sibling. (Colleen Jesson)

10. Adjourned at 8:18 pm

Meeting Notes By: Leanne Aveling, PAC Secretary