

**Parent Advisory Council (PAC)
W.E. Graham Community School
Meeting Thursday October 13, 2022 6:30PM AGM**

Present: Heather Laurel, Lana McAdam, Sharon Nazaroff, Christina Yahn, Angel Lefort, Naama Avramzon, Pati McLaughlin, Kylie Lichty, Mike Hurley, Jen Evdokimoff

Agenda

Board Appointments
Sharon Nazaroff to speak
Mike Hurley to speak – give report
Voting on HLC Contract
Talking Points

Board Appointments

President/Chair – Angel nominate Jen, Naama seconds – Jen accepts
President/Vice Chair – Jen nominates Pati, Christina seconds – Pati accepts
Treasurer: Jen nominates Lana, Heather seconds – Lana accepts
Secretary: Christina nominates, Pati seconds – Jen accepts

Talking Points:

- **Sharon Nazaroff School Trustee for SD8**
Participation at PAC benefits all children at WEG. Trustee Elections on Saturday – important to vote sharonfortrustee@wordpress.com . Trustees listen to concerns and celebrations (at DPAC) – Valhalla program is not threatened it is a prized program – Everyone on board supports it. Vote (Village of Slocan, trustee ballot October 15 8-8)
- **Mike Hurley Principal – Report**
More students (96 students) extra classroom allows for smaller ratios, so nice.
Best situation we could hope for. Opening a new classroom. Will know for sure soon who the teacher will be. We will have K/1/2, G3/4, G5/6, G7/8, VWP9/10. Ideally would like to know how many students in June. The changes are hard on the students, the disruptions and teacher changes. Harder for kids to adjust.
Culture at school is excellent right now.
 - PAC please tell people what you think of the school!Next phase of school, Halloween, having fun events. Keeping school fun.
WEG used to have sports team – its been 10 years or more. Getting into team sports is a little different for us. 7/8's want a basketball team – lasted for one week.
Trying to build up team energy and culture.
Wanting to host a pump track event – end of October, getting overgrown, work party – weed eaters needed. Salmo, Kaslo, Sentinel and LVR. Instead of basketball tournament have pump track tournament. (Maybe Thursday first week of November)
 - Help to organize work party(Possibly skateboarder tournament in the summer – Bowl Bash people for judges?)

So grateful for hot lunch program! Everyone is enjoying it!

- **Vote: Hot Lunch: Present contract and then vote.** As we discussed last meeting, we are paying our hot lunch coordinator - it can't come from the school it needs to come from the PAC. Presented contract of service for Christina Yahn starting October 2022 to December 2022 contract read and voted on it in order to pay her. Contract at bottom of notes.
We will do this again in the new year too.
All in favor: unanimous
Opposed: none
- **Angel: Gaming Grant, need to spend at least \$1500 this year**
- **Mike: New funding available for food in schools for kids – should not need to use gaming grant money.**
- **Commercial Kitchen Sink – Farm Sink – Deep**
 - talk to maintenance about sink (school district – to pay for)
 - new faucet/spray faucet
 - sanitizer**Mike to do:** Contact district plumber to see what can be done.
Jen to do: Plan for separate meeting to pull this together.
- **Drastic reduction of SLP services (and others?) at the school.** I have talked to first the SLP service provider, then Mike, then a SD8 board trustee and I will now write a letter to Superintendent Smillie
EA support – more is needed 0.5 LST teacher, money into collective 'block' model.
Jen to write respectful letter to address reduction of SLP services
Jen to write respectful letter to address need for more EA's/EA time.
- **Jen to Look into: Zoom account? Or other platforms?**
- **DPAC – PAC to attend? Need a rep.**
Naama can't go. (All parents are welcome at DPAC)
We need a DPAC rep
- **November Gear Exchange Idea Sunday November 20th**
Sub Committee - Heather & Kylie to head committee
Use music room to store items before sale.
- **Winter Concert Dec 14th**
 - lets make a firm plan/sub committee – ran out of time -secondary meeting required.Ideas: Talent show? Simple – cookies, coffee (cake walk)
(possibly or in the spring)
Science fair ?

Hot Lunch Coordinator Contract

PAC of W.E. Graham Community School and Christina Yahn

Contract Date: October 2022 –December 2022

This contract is to enable the PAC to pay Christina Yahn for her services as Hot Lunch Coordinator.

These services are listed below and are not limited to:

- Creating and preparing a weekly menu, children will want to eat
- Planning and calculating amounts to be purchased for hot lunch
- Purchasing goods for hot lunch (with emphasis on less expensive grocers)
- Liaising with local farmers, store owners and local families to procure free food/discounted food and goods in which to prepare hot lunch
- Prepping, Cooking and Serving hot lunch every week
- Working with and organizing volunteers for each hot lunch

Payment to the coordinator is a weekly amount regardless of hours worked.

Payment includes:

Reimbursement of all grocery purchases (with a budget in mind \$100-\$150/ week)

Payment \$150 dollars per week (some months will have more, some less)

Payment of \$100 dollars a month (to go towards gas- driving for food purchases)

One-time payment of planning/start up hours in the amount of \$90.00
(Amended October 14 by email vote to PAC)

This contract will be voted at the PAC meeting on October 13 2022 and is good until the end of December 2022.

Transparency: Keeping track of meals served, food receipts, hours, driving times