

# JANUARY 2020 MINUTES

Shortreed Elementary PAC

*Date | time* 1/28/2020 7:05 PM | *Meeting called to order by* Jodi Stiglic

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## In Attendance

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Jodi Stiglic, Amy Synesael, Cashmere Roder, Laura Wheway, Shaunee Pedersen, Samantha Creech, Chris Wejr

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## Addition to Agenda

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- Scooter boards
- Emergency protocols for PAC members in the school
- Motion to amend bylaws to allow for executives to hold their position as well as DPAC Rep (if no one else is willing/available).

Laura motioned to add these items to the agenda, Amy seconded. All in favour.

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## Deletions to Agenda

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- None

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## Approval of December Minutes

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- Laura motioned to approve the December minutes as written, Shaunee seconded. All in favour.

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## Principal's Report

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- The breakfast program at Shortreed is in crisis mode. Our wonderful lead volunteer, Bella, is having some health concerns and is no longer able to run this program. We are looking to find more volunteers to help lead this. If no one is able to help, the school could take it on, but won't be able to start it until 8 AM.
- Grade 5 basketball is going well! However, the jerseys we have for students are very large. Possibly need to supplement our jerseys with smaller sizes. Wondering if PAC could help support this, perhaps in the next school year.
- Club Wednesday starts tomorrow! Lots of exciting clubs this term.
- Thank you to PAC for funding the Rocks & Rings curling program! The students loved doing this.

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## Vice Principal's Report

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- Mr. Wejr presented the VP report on behalf of Mr. Touzeau who was unable to attend.
  - Jump Rope for Heart – kick off assembly Feb 6<sup>th</sup>. Jumping event is the following week with buddy classes skipping in the gym. School fundraising goal is \$3/child (\$1000 overall).
  - Gaga pit – we are looking at the possibility of installing one of these (it is not actually a “pit”, but an enclosed octagonal area for playing gaga ball, dodgeball, and other games). It costs approximately \$2000. Still looking at options/gathering information.
  - Teachers are in support of the Read-a-Thon idea. It needs to be communicated to families where the money raised will be going (field trips, right back to the classrooms, etc.) Jodi and Laura to meet with a group of teachers to get ideas.

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## Executive/Committee Reports

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President: Jodi Stiglic

Fundraising: Cashmere Roder/Shananda Anderson

Vice President: Shaunee Pedersen

DPAC Rep: Open

Secretary: Amy Synesael

Members At Large: None

Treasurer: Laura Wheway

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## President Report

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- Fundraising idea: water balloon fight with the teachers! Students could purchase turns with water balloons (crocheted and reusable!) The money would go back to their teacher/classroom. If a teacher didn't want to participate, Mr. Wejr and Mr. Touzeau could step in. This would happen early next school year, when the weather is still warm.

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## Secretary Report

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Jodi, Amy, and Laura attended the Langley DPAC meeting on January 23.

- Telus Wise presentation – volunteers from Telus presented on topics around cyberbullying, sexting and non-consensual sharing of sexts, gaming, parental control solutions, and screen-time. It was a very informative presentation. PAC is wondering if parents would be interested in having an info session/workshop held at the school around these topics? Amy to prepare survey/poll to share with parents.
- Middle school consultations – there were several recommendations brought forth by the consultations regarding middle school in the DW Poppy catchment. Superintendent Gord Stewart shared that the board is having a work plan meeting to discuss the timing and next steps.
- Snow days – Gord Stewart shared the process for determining a snow day. Crews out at schools from 11pm-5am. They report to Gord what the sites look like (sidewalks, snow levels, etc.) General “rule” is 3” of snow. Closures also depend on neighbouring districts, as teachers often come from out of district. Decisions should be made by around 6 AM. Even if schools are open, parents do not need to send their child if they feel safety is an issue.

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## Treasurer Report

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- Chequing account balance: \$33,756.56. There is still \$3,404.55 in cheques that have not yet been cleared.
- Gaming account balance: \$12,521.09. There is still \$1003 in outstanding cheques.
- There are still quite a few teachers who have not used the monies allocated to them for field trips, busses, supplies, etc.
- Overall our budget has increased by approximately \$2,500 due to increases in costs that were approved at our PAC meetings.

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## Fundraising Report

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- Nothing to report for this month. Fundraisers coming up in the next couple months include Read-a-Thon, Purdy's, Scholastic Book Fair, and Krispy Kreme donuts!
- The Fun Fair Committee is starting to plan for this year's Fun Fair! If you are interested in being a part of this fun event, please get in touch with Cashmere Roder at [shortreedpac@gmail.com](mailto:shortreedpac@gmail.com)

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## DPAC Representative Report

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## Beautification Committee

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- District maintenance was supposed to come out and approve the locations for our trees (to be paid for and planted by our local Scouts group). However, due to the snow this did not happen.

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## Old Business

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## New Business

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- Unfortunately, due to scheduling conflicts, Anita is unable to continue as DPAC Rep. Thank you, Anita for all of your hard work, and dedication to PAC and our school over the last few years! This position is open for nominations. If you are interested in the position, please get in touch with PAC. This
- BOGO book fair – looking at dates (early to mid June?) Also wanting to find donations to cover the cost of a book for each student (they would receive two books through this fair). This is in the budget in case donations do not come in. If any parents know of or work for a company who would be interested in donating money to our summer reading program, please get in touch!
- Remind app – some schools are using this text messaging system to send messages to anyone who has signed up, to remind them about school events, PAC news, etc. Mr. Wejr noted that it doesn't work with some cell phone companies. The Langley school district is working on an app for parents could download and receive school/district information, so this is something to look forward to.
- Ideas for raising money for classes - see President's report above.
- Ms. Romas has asked if PAC could pay for more scooter boards, so that all bootcamp students can use them. Currently we do not have enough for all students to participate, so students are having to sit out. She is requesting 12 scooter boards (\$518) and one storage cart (\$149) for a total of \$667. With shipping and tax \$860.43. After our budgeted items, we have approximately \$1200 left in our gaming account. We have \$500 budgeted for gym equipment from the gaming account, so it would be an additional \$360.43. Unfortunately, we could not vote on this tonight, as our bylaws state that in order for there to be a vote, there must be at least two non-executive PAC members at the PAC meeting. The PAC executive plans to call a special meeting so that we can vote on this.
- Emergency protocols for PAC members in the school – all PAC members need to read the Staff Emergency Procedures booklet (orange cover), and if you are volunteering in the school for more than an hour you must sign in at the office.
- Motion to amend bylaws to allow for executives to hold their position as well as DPAC Rep (if no one else is willing/available). Amy motioned to amend section 7.3.3 to add 7.3.3.1 *“in the event where there is no one willing or available to hold the DPAC Representative position, a member from the current PAC executive can be voted into this position as well as their current position”* and *“7.3.3.2 in the event where there is not two people willing or available to hold the treasurer and secretary positions separately, one person may be elected to hold both positions”*. Laura seconded. A vote will be held at our next PAC meeting in February.

**Next PAC Meeting: Friday, February 28<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 AM.**

**Meeting Adjourned: 9:00 PM**