

DBES PAC Minutes
Budget Meeting
Tuesday, October 17th, 2023 at 6:30pm
Meeting in DBES Library & via Zoom



DAVIS BAY
ELEMENTARY PAC

A parent community to promote, encourage and support education and to contribute to the well being of the students at Davis Bay Elementary.

In Attendance: Grace Lewis, Victoria Goodier, Meghan Mathias, Kate Hayward, Rachel Watson, Jana Cull, Rae-dene, Ted Chisholm, Jenny Hansen, Trevor McFadyen

Regrets: Ellen Manson, Haley McKnight

Welcome!

- Motion to accept the September minutes Victoria motioned to accept/Kate Accepted
- Motion to accept tonight's agenda Kate/Victoria

Principal's Report, *Rae-dene Pednaud*

- Cross Country is still going strong – meet tomorrow at Kinnikinnick.
- Volleyball began today. We had 20 kids participate and have created 2 teams.
- Thank you so much, PAC for the wonderful lunch last week!
- FSA's are underway and will wrap up the second week of November.
- Fire Prevention Day was successful and Matt Gilroy came to speak to Div. 7 and Div. 6 students.
- We had our first hot lunch last week. The next one is Oct. 27th. Thank you, PAC!
- Reminders for participation in the new SD46 Strategic Plan has gone out. Please be sure to make your voice heard. There is also a link on the PAC website.
- Family Conferences were last week and I was sad to miss them. I hope you had wonderful conversations. If you didn't have a chance to meet with your teacher, remember you can always reach out.

Things to Come

- Friday is the Provincial Pro-D Day. There is no school for students.
- On October 25th from 6:00-7:00 there is a District Zoom to help parents understand our new Communicating Student Learning in SD46.
o zoom: <https://ca01web.zoom.us/j/2730210999> ;Meeting ID: 273 021 0999
- October 31st is Halloween Dress up Day. Please remember no gory costumes and no weapons – not even fake ones!
- Active Travel weeks are upon us. Is there any interest in PAC support for this? Maybe a “bike to school” day or a meet somewhere and ride to school day next

week? Students who walk, ride or roll to school will be tracked and entered into a District contest.

- Sugar Bowl for Grade 7's is November 1st at Ted Dixon.
- We are still working on a change to our Food in Schools and more information will be coming. We have changed the Red Fridge to be during eating time so we don't have students leaving classes.
- A quick reminder: We are a no cell phone school (this includes apple or other watches where students can access texting etc.)

Community Schools Update, *Ted Chisholm*

- Community School Update – Upcoming shift in nutrition program Oct 30/Nov 6
- Roots of Empathy for NEST – Cocoon class starting soon. Community Schools to pay for licensing.
- Hoping to meet with teachers and staff to make a plan for fundraising, what to grow.
- Grace is going to a seed saving conference to increase her knowledge.

Treasurer's Report, *Victoria Goodier*

- Kate moved that we accepted the new budget. Meghan accepted the new budget
- Gaming Grant denied at this point due to some missing information, Victoria sent the documentation and asked for the application to be reviewed again.
- **Action Item:** Rachel to email Luba at CSS to find out the parameters for a bursary for high school students who have graduated from DBES.

Greenhouse Update, *Grace Lewis and/or Jessy Wollen*

- Grace is going to take out the basil bed and plant peas, as micro greens.
- We'd love to get some bulbs and wild flower seeds to beautify the grounds and create space for pollinators!

Fundraising Update, *Ellen Manson (submitted)*

- We have Purdys up and running.
- I will put together a group email with attachments for all of the fundraisers to be accessed in one convenient spot.
- Upcoming fundraisers -- Scoops; cookie dough and cheesecake, Butcher Dave's Meat, Davis Bay Tea, Growing Smiles Christmas greenery, Strait Coffee
- We will have pick up for Purdys, Tea and and coffee, maybe cookie dough on Dec 01.
- Greenery on Dec. 05 or 06th. We are trying to piggy back delivery with one of the high schools, so we save on delivery fee. TBD.
- Butcher Dave's also TBD, but likely end of November.
- If anyone has any other fundraising ideas, please go for it. This is all I can personally offer for this term.

- I would like to do a burger and beer or wine in the Spring, as well as a few of the other favorites.
- I want to get the kids more involved in helping generate sales, so I'd like to offer a pizza party for the class who has the highest fundraising target.
- It will be very important for the parents to add their child's classroom for this to work.
- When I launch the rest of the fundraisers, I'll ask RaeDene to add it to the weekly newsletter.

DPAC Update, Jana Curll

- Long meeting as there were lots of new delegates.
- Active Travel Weeks Oct 16-27. PACs are invited to donate \$50-\$150 towards GoActive Travel campaign.
- Other schools shared updates. General frustration about class size, last minute registration and class configuration. There is a new Nature Primary at Langdale. All of this new movement seemed to generate an upswing in PAC participation? DPAC is looking into resources to help reduce parents' anxiety for next year.
- Raising Kids in a Digital World, Wednesday October 18th.
- BCCPAC 2023 Leadership summit is November 17 & 18 and DPAC has secured 2 spots for our delegates.
- PAC & DPAC Professional Development/Compassionate Systems on Nov 2
- DPAC Board Elections will be held during the next DPAC meeting on October 26th
- Full DPAC minutes can be found on the SD46 site.
 - <https://sd46.bc.ca/families-and-students/dpac/>
- The next DPAC meeting is October 28, 2023 at Chatelech or Zoom.

Old Business

- September Action Items have been completed.

New/Ongoing Business

- Active Travel Contribution, *Jana*.
 - We have decided to donate for Active Travel in the Spring.
- Hot lunch & ordering system, *Jenny*
 - We have decided to table the Hot Lunch and Ordering System, we need to have more consistency with Hot lunches before we can look at an online ordering system. **Next Hot Lunch Sushi October 27**
 - **Action Item:** Jenny to follow up with Maria about Hot Lunch forms
- SCR'D's Waste Reduction Initiatives Program Grant,
 - Meghan. There are 3 days left to apply for the Grant. Meghan will apply for the grant. We'd be looking for re-usable, cutlery, large water jugs for events.

- PAC's Fall Family Event, *Meghan/Victoria* –
 - **Action Item:** Meghan to follow up with Rae-dene about date for November 24th Family movie night – PAC to provide concession for fundraising.
- SD46's Strategic Planning Survey, *Jana*
 - *Please* take the Survey!!
- Compassionate Systems Delegates, *Jana* – November 2 –
 - **Action Item** Meghan and Jenny to follow up about going. Deadline to sign up is Monday October 23, 2023

Comments/questions and review upcoming action items.

Next meeting: Tuesday, Nov 21st @ 6:30pm in the DBES Library & via Zoom