

Barrowtown Elementary PAC Meeting
March 1, 2022 at 3:30 pm
In the Learning Commons Room

Present: *President* – Melissa Wiebe; *Treasurer* – Angie Quebec; *Secretary* - Kayla Wiens (via telephone); *Principal* – Michelle Basran; Rachel Slomp,

Principal's Report: Michelle Basran

Mrs. Basran is likely staying at Barrowtown for upcoming school year.

One School One Book is proving very popular among the students. There is a high rate of participation and excitement. Families get to keep the books.

16 ft x 16 ft Sandbox is big hit for all ages of students. Mrs. Basran already went ahead and purchased Melissa and Doug sand toys, buckets, shovels, etc. She has requested that PAC reimburse her for purchases, since PAC proposed to purchase items for her classroom. She will turn in her receipts.

She will also look into purchasing an outside storage box with a lock to keep on the playground.

Greenhouse – With spring around the corner, teachers are considering what to plant and do in the greenhouse. One of the things they are thinking about are planting potatoes. BC Agriculture also a list of field trip ideas that they will look into.

Friday March 4 – popcorn day

Mrs. Alisa will be back in the office March 7.

Sports Day needs to be on May 17 as it was already previously scheduled for that day.

Treasurer's Report : Angie Quebec

Chequing – \$1473.45

Savings – \$4,828.01

Gaming – \$1001.47

Cheques To Be Written:

1. *Reimburse Mrs. Basran for Melissa and Doug sandtoys. Please turn in your receipts.*
2. *Reimburse Kayla Wiens for Easter supplies. Please turn in your receipts.*

Incoming Money:

1. *\$100 for Sprinkler from Grandma Wiebe*

President's Report: Melissa Wiebe

Hot Lunch – Jolene will make quesadillas the week before Spring Break.

May 26 Family BBQ – We discussed if this could possibly be a catered event. We thought about getting a quote from Cookies Restaurant in Chilliwack. It is probably not likely that we could get it catered though, because that normally costs around \$30/person. However, we will continue to plan this event and look into creative ways to host it.

Easter Party – Kayla Wiens has purchased eggs and some candy for the Easter celebration. There will be an egg hunt where each student tries to find their numbered eggs. There will also be a craft time where students will make an Easter Bunny garland. Students will also make their own Easter Egg Nest snack. So far Kayla has spent about \$60, with a few more things to purchase.

Waterslides – Traditionally, Barrowtown has gone to Bridal Falls Waterpark as the year end school wide field trip. PAC would always contribute the Gaming Grant towards this field trip. PAC often paid for bussing first, and a portion of each ticket based on what was left over. This is something we would like to do again if/when field trip restrictions lift. Typically, the full gaming grant was used up with this one event. Approximately \$1000.00. We would like to schedule this field trip for the week of June 20-24, depending on Bridal Falls availability and district restrictions.

New Business

Greenhouse – Rachel Slomp and Melissa Wiebe did some more cleaning in the greenhouse.

- Rachel got soil donated from Klassens Landscape Supply on Downes/Gladwin. THANK YOU, KLASSENS!
- The sprinkler timer wasn't working so Grandma Wiebe donated \$100 for the purchase of a new sprinkler. THANK YOU!

Rachel and Melissa decided that they would like to use the greenhouse to help the Grade 5 students raise money for their end of the year fun. They are helping the Grade 5 students organize a plant sale, and they started planting with the students on February 28. The Grade 5 students were very excited at this opportunity, and are already looking forward to the next planting day.

Melissa and Rachel also asked if the planting beds are allowed to be used, since the field is still closed by the district. School is under the opinion of "yes" although that is not an official answer from the district.

Ideas for the Grade 5 Year End Fun –

- Giggle Ridge and a picnic in Cultus Lake
 - If they use a bus, then we have to be on "bus hours" though.

- Last year we held a “luncheon” for the Grade 5 students, and this year’s Grade 5 students are already talking about that, so we may want to consider including that again.
- We should determine our plan so that we can determine our plant fundraising goals per person.
 - Maybe we could ask for permission from the Yellow Barn to sell plans from their parking lot.

Meeting Adjourned at 4:10 pm

Next Meeting – April 5 at 3:30

Upcoming Events

March 11 – Last Day Before Spring Break

March 14-24 – Spring Break

March 28 – Back to School

April 14 – Easter Celebration

April 15 – Good Friday

April 18 – Easter Monday

May 17 – Sports Day

May 20 – Pro D Day #7

May 23 – Victoria Day

May 26 – Year End Family BBQ

June 29 – Report Cards, Last Day of School for Students

June 30 – Last Day of School for Teachers