

B.E.S.T. PAC meeting

October 4, 2023

Call to Order: 6:02pm

- I. **Introductions:** We went around the room and introduced ourselves. More new faces at this meeting!
 - a. **In attendance:** Kim E, Kim T, Caroline M, Stephanie , Hailey W, Amy B, Nav N, Karen L, Amber N, Amber L, Jennifer G, Esanka P, and Tabitha F
- II. **Executive Position Designations**

Principal Kim Edstrom ran our 'elections'.
We are proud to introduce our new executive members for the 2023/2024 school year
President/Chair: Kim T
Vice President/Chair: Esanka P
Secretary: vacant (it was discussed that a member of the PAC in attendance may take notes and type them up and forward them to Kim for publishing on our school website)
Treasurer: Caroline M
DPAC Rep: Caroline M (one spot still vacant, meetings are once a month hybrid model of in person and/or zoom, anyone can attend, but only designated DPAC rep can hold a vote)
Members at Large: Everyone else!
- III. **Principal's report – Kim Edstrom:**
 - Sept 28/23 - 12th annual River's Day was a success! Possible talks of inviting other schools to attend in the future
 - Sept 29/23 - Orange Shirt day
 - First fire drill of the year was last week. The students and teachers were able to exit the school and congregate in just over 5 mins. Our goal is under 5 mins, but a great practice for the first of the year!
 - Cross-country club is in full swing (Grades 3-6)
 - Volleyball teams will be starting soon. Grades 4-6. We are hoping for a girls team, a boys team and a co-ed team this year. Coaches are Ms. Unsworth and Mr. Wood.
 - Oct 12/23 is Photo Day
 - Oct 18/23 is early dismissal day for parent/teacher meetings. Your student's teacher will provide more details on how to book meetings
 - Oct 26/23 Class photos and retakes
 - Oct 26/23 Come read with me in the library for Grade 1 – more information to come
- IV. **Planning fundraisers and events for 2023/2024**

Our school received a \$500 donation from the Kamloops Blazers for sports equipment. We will be using this donation to pay for the new track and field jerseys that were ordered at the end of last year. Tabitha will draft a thank you letter from the school/PAC.

 - 249 Coupon books were sold! Our goal was 300, so we almost reached that!
 - Privato Pumpkin Patch - \$25 for a ticket that is good for 2 adults and up to 4 children to visit the pumpkin patch and pick out 2 pumpkins. Also included is one hot chocolate per child. \$5 from each ticket sold will go back to the PAC – but you have to use the code BEST when ordering. Please see posters up around the school for more information.

- Olivers Labels – we have partnered with this company for a passive fundraiser running all year. 20% of every order will be donated back to the PAC. Please see more information coming out in the weekly school newsletter. You must use the referral code B.E.S.T. PAC or our fundraiser link <http://www.oliverslabels.com/BESTPAC>
- Our first PAC Hot Lunch will be Pizza on Oct 13/23. Orders are due Oct 6 (due to the long weekend).
- November PAC Hot Lunch will be Senor Froggys. Keep an eye out for more information and order forms!
- Cookie Dough/Cheesecake. Due date will be Nov 24/23. Each tub of dough or cheesecake will be \$25. Keep an eye out for more information coming at the beginning of November.
- BEST Craft Fair – Nov 19/23 in the school gym. We will be looking for volunteers to work some shifts during the fair. We hope to have a concession. More information to come, watch for our posters to be up soon!
- Christmas Concert will be in December. We are hoping to do a bake sale at this time
- Purdy's chocolates – we may look at this for Easter.
- Track & Field Day Concession stand – we will run this again for 2 days during the school event. Pre-orders will be available for Primary classes. More information to come closer to May.
- Car Show – date to be determined. This is put on by one of the local car clubs with proceeds going directly to our PAC. Thank you!!
- Spring Carnival – We will talk more next meeting, but there was a lot of excitement over this event tentatively end of May. We will have a sub committee and extra meetings for this event which will be determined at the next meeting

V. BCCPAC Membership Decision

Yes, we will join BCCPAC this year for a \$75 membership fee. BCCPAC has many resources and benefits and is a voice to the Ministry of Education.

VI. Agenda Items for next meeting:

- Munchalunch program – we will discuss and look into this program more, maybe for the 2024/2025 school year. Please feel free to let us know if you've used the program in the past and your experiences
- Treasurers Report
- Annual Budget to be voted on/approved
- Sub-committees for fundraisers

VII. Date of Next Meeting:

Wednesday, November 1/23 6pm in the library – everyone is welcome!

VIII. Adjournment:

7:28 pm