



**Ranch Park Elementary PAC  
General Meeting  
Minutes: Tuesday, November 1, 2016**

**1. Welcome & Introductions**

Attendees: Nicole Darling, Sascha Rex, Anja Rex, Carol Dingley, Jacquie Bekar, Tanya Kadach, Kerri Sutherland, Jason Luty, Nicole Wood, Heather Wilson-Banks

**2. Approval of October 2016 GM Minutes**

Motion to approve October minutes: Nicole Darling, Second – Sascha Rex. All in favour - CARRIED

**3. Principal's Report: prepared by Don Hutchinson**

**3.1. New Initiatives for 2016-2017:**

- APL: Literacy (Non-Fiction Reading) as the Goal
- Power Up each morning at 8:50 in the gym
- Lunch Period: Play first 12:00-12:30, Eat 12:30-1:00
- Family Groupings: Meet Monthly
- Monthly School Wide Runs: Following Recognition Assembly
- Westcoast Recess
- Recycle/Compost Program
- National Anthem: Monday before Power Up
- **Health Promoting School:** A Health Promoting School focuses on the following aspects:  
Healthy Eating, Active Living, School Connectedness and Safe Schools.
- **Family Grouping and Recognition Assembly:** Focus on Core Competencies

**3.2. October in Review:**

- IWalk to School Day
- Field Trips to Hawthorne Lodge, Pumpkin Patch and Corn Maze
- Student Photos
- Interim Reports and Parent-Teacher Meetings
- Zero Waste Program Presentation
- Norman Hann "Take a Stand for Conservation" presentation
- Scholastic Book Fair
- Pumpkin Carving Night
- Halloween Activities

**3.3. November Calendar of Events:**

- **Photo Retakes:** Thursday, November 10<sup>th</sup> at 9:30am
- **Remembrance Day Ceremony:** Thursday, November 10<sup>th</sup> at 9:00am
- **Remembrance Day:** Friday, November 11<sup>th</sup> School not in session
- **Ministry Curriculum Implementation Day:** Monday, November 14<sup>th</sup> School not in session
- **Family Movie Night:** Friday, November 18<sup>th</sup>

- **Kindergarten Vision and Hearing Test:** Wednesday, November 23<sup>rd</sup> at 9:00

**4. President's Report: presented by Nicole Darling**

**4.1. Santa Breakfast – status update:**

Coffee has been source

Received \$50 from No Frills, donation letters with Save-on-Foods Austin Station and Super Store

Most Dads that have volunteered in the past have offered to do so again this year

Speaking with Dollar Store on Friday regarding Kindie gifts – will need volunteers to help assemble

Need to purchase plates/cutlery/napkins etc...

Keri S. secured mandarins

**4.2. FunFair – update:**

Is the carnival theme the direction we want to move in, if yes, we need a chair. If not, we need to develop another idea and or scrap.

**4.3. ArtCards – update**

With provider, we should have the orders ready for end of next week.

**4.4. 2016/17 – Annual Budget**

Open discussion regarding playground funds and moving to vote in December.

**5. Treasurer's Report – presented by Nicole Wood**

Detailed report is attached at the end of the minutes.

**6. DPAC Report: presented by Sascha Rex**

- **Open Positions**

In the DPAC Executive, the following positions are currently open:

- Secretary
- Member At Large

Nomination packages can be downloaded from the DPAC website.

- **Reporting system**

The reporting system will be changed to accommodate the new curriculum and changed expectations in a modern, digital world. While grades 10-12 will see no significant changes, the reporting focus in grades K-9 will shift. Students will perform a self-assessment (with teacher support) on the core competencies. Another focus is dialogue with parents. There will be three formal and two other types of reports per year. An interim reporting order is in effect.

The entire presentation can be downloaded here:

[http://dpac43.ca/dpac-documents/?drawer4=Presentations\\*2016-10-26%20General%20Meeting](http://dpac43.ca/dpac-documents/?drawer4=Presentations*2016-10-26%20General%20Meeting)

Also see the relevant link on the government website for further information:

<https://curriculum.gov.bc.ca/assessment-info>

## 7. Fundraising Report:

- **Movie Tickets** – the order will go to school shortly.

- **Scholastic Book Fair - presented by Sascha Rex**

The scholastic book fair saw total sales of \$3,296.60. Teachers took \$500 in merchandise for their classrooms (\$50 per class). The library received around \$1,500 in new books!

## 7. Legacy Project: presented by Carol Dingley

Update about the project will be added to the Legacy Wall next week.

## 8. New Business:

- **Bad Moms night** is moved to January 13, 2017.
- **80's Trivia** is scheduled on March 3, 2017.
- **Scrapbooking Fair** is planned on February 21, 2017.
- **Golf Tournament** booked May 26, 2017. Extra volunteers are required for the day of the event.

## 9. Next Meeting – General Meeting: Tuesday, December 6th, 7:00 – 8:30 pm.

## 10. Adjournment – 9:22