BX PAC Meeting Minutes

September 11 7:00-8:30pm BX School Library

In attendance:

Amanda Connor (PAC President), Romy Hiemstra, Sheila Larsson, Sarah Hanson (DPAC), Marnee Maxted, Ed Foychuk, Christal Armstrong (Treasurer), Blaine Michaud, Kelly Ingersoll, Amy Klassen, Shawna Brooker (Member at Large), Jessica Tanner, Radha Dahlie, Julia Ens, Trish Hanke, Natalie Clarke, Malory Stickles, Danielle Galbraith, Brianne Boulter, Denise Bateman, Regan Truscott, Louise Alexander (Vice Principal), Tyler Galenzoski (Principal), Archie Stogianos (SD22 Director of Facilities)

Call meeting to order at 7:01 pm by Amanda Connor

-Motion made by Sarah Hanson to adopt the June meeting minutes. Seconded by Christal Armstrong. Discussion was held. **Motion carried**

-Motion made by Sheila Larson to add acquiring accessible playground equipment to the agenda. Seconded by Sarah Hanson. Discussion was held. **Motion carried.** Topic was added to New Business.

Principal's report: Tyler Galenzoski

-School Start up. Projected 443 students. Actual number is 440 students. Tuesday was a half day so that staff could confirm classes. Because of composition, identified students had to be moved around as instructed by the district. 50-60 students were moved as groups into new classes. The union could have filed a grievance but if they lost, the classes would have had to be changed in November, so they felt it was better to do so now.

-Wishlist. The teachers are developing their Wishlist and will be presented at the PAC meeting in October for discussion.

-Staff focus- The school's reporting system is changing from Sims to My Ed. No letter grades from K-9. BX Expansion project.

FSA- Government testing coming Sept.30-Nov.8. 4.5 hours of class time. 3 levels will be determined; Emerging, on track and Extending. Grades 4 & 7 will participate. Practice test is online. This gives the province a snapshot of how well kids in BC are doing. BC is in the top 5 in the world in Literacy, Math and Science.

Pro D day- Monday, September 23. Focus will be on Assessment. Teachers will be in the school talking about the changing curriculum and how to assess students without grades. What is this system going to look like?

Terry Fox Run- September 25, 11:15 presentation and then run. Parents are welcome to attend.

Individual Pictures- Thursday September 26

Volleyball- 4 Teams, 60+ students. Games begin Wednesday Sept. 25

Bell Schedule- Change the lunch break 4 minutes earlier. 10 minutes for eating lunch. Younger students will start eating earlier to have more time. If there are any problems, please talk to your child's teacher.

Welcome Back BBQ- Wednesday Sept. 18. Hamburgers & Hot Dogs will be by donation. 5-7 pm

Ben Duperon- Retired this week after 28 years at BX and 32 years with SD#22. Special school assembly was held where gifts from the school and PAC were presented by the students.

Bus Safety- Thursday Sept. 12. All students will learn about bus safety and riding the bus.

Student Teachers- There are 3 student teachers in the school. These teachers were able to start at the beginning to learn how to set up a classroom.

Student/parent/teacher conferences- Take place Oct 23 1-7 pm, Oct. 24 1-3 pm. Early dismissal at 12:30 both days. Online sign up for 20-minute time slots. Learning goals will be set together with Student, Parent at teacher.

DPAC Report – Sarah Hanson

First meeting has not been held yet. Sarah H. will contact the DPAC about our constitution to determine if changes are necessary. Sarah H. will also continue on the French Advisory committee which advocates for funds for French studies in non-French schools.

Treasurer's Report – Christal Armstrong

Motioned to add Robin Cardew (Vice Chair) as a 4th signer on the account. Seconded by Regan Truscott. Discussion held. **Motion Carried**. Christal A to set up with TD bank to have Robin Cardew added. The gaming grant is expected in early October. Gaming account will be moved to TD bank once it has been received. Denise Bateman and Karyn Lawrence will close the PAC account at Vantage One and funds will be moved to the account at TD. The new online ordering system is incurring credit card fees. Will continue to monitor and discuss passing these fees onto users in the future. Treasurer's Report is attached.

Ongoing Business: Amanda Connor

First Day of School PAC Table- The PAC Executive had a table with coffee, timbits, photo booth and information on the first day of school. It was well attended and there were many volunteers that signed up for various events and programmes. The photo booth was popular and a fun addition. The PAC Executive asked Mr. Galenzoski (Principal) if they could have the table set up again at the Back to School BBQ and he thought it was a good idea.

Garden Project- BX won seeds from a contest at Nicolas Alexander. These seeds will be given to the teachers to plant in the spring. Mr. Galenzonski is looking into a donor for the archway proposed for the garden to display the names of the sponsors. The shed also is still needing to be built and Mr. Galenszoski is looking into some volunteers approved by the school district to get this done. Amanda Connor also asked for confirmation that the garden was given to the school as a gift from the PAC and as such, the PAC is not responsible for the maintenance and upkeep of the garden. This was confirmed by Mr. Galenzonski. The planter boxes will be painted over due to some unauthorized artwork installed on them. Sarah Hanson suggested that artwork be painted over each year so that new classes can decorate them. The BX staff will discuss how they would like to see the planters decorated.

HotLunches.Net start up- Thursday Sept.12 will be the first Pizza Day under the new ordering system. Prior to the start of this meeting, many BX families had registered and ordered using the new system. Feedback has been very positive and parents like being able to order all the terms pizza in one go. The PAC is prepared for students who did not order online and will take steps to ensure that all students who want to order are able to do so.

BX Website Updates- Because the school district is changing its websites, the updates to the BX website are on hold until the new system is up and running. Mr. Galenzoski will have the PAC's information updated when this is done.

Meeting Schedule- As discussed at the June meeting, there will be a morning (8:30am) PAC meeting scheduled for this term on November 13th. If this meeting has a good turnout, the PAC will schedule another morning meeting in the 2nd and 3rd term.

New Business - Amanda Connor

PAC minutes from September 2018-March 2019- These minutes were never presented to the PAC by the previous President, Jessica Machinski. After repeated attempts to secure, there is now no response from her. Amanda Connor asked that the minutes reflect that the PAC Executive tried to secure these documents but were unable to do so. New procedures will be put in place to ensure this does not happen in the future.

Halloween Dance- Scheduled for October 24th 5-8 pm in the school's gym. Halloween Dance committee has been formed and met prior to the PAC meeting. Plans are underway for a fun and inclusive event for all grades.

BCTF Workshops- The BC Teachers Federation offers presentations free of charge to parents. These presentations are given by qualified teachers who volunteer their time to present these to parents. Regan Truscott offered to run an online survey to find out which presentation(s) were of most interest to BX parents. Once complete, Amanda Connor will book with the BCTF.

BX Expansion – Archie Stogianos from SD#22 was on hand to discuss the latest developments of the expansion at BX. Mr. Stogianos is also a parent of a student at BX. The Ministry has allotted \$11 million for 10 classrooms to be built. Plans will be confirmed at a meeting being held on Thursday Sept.12. After that, permits will be applied for. The hope is to break ground later this fall. Expansion plans attached.

Accessible Playground Equipment – Sheila Larsson would like to see wheelchair swings and tabletop play equipment added to the playground at BX. Discussion was held and the PAC would like Sheila L to look into costs of this equipment. The PAC Executive will confirm if gaming money can be used. Since the small playground will need to be relocated due to the expansion, the PAC felt it would be a good time to add accessible equipment so it could be installed at the same time as the relocation. Once the PAC receives exact equipment specs and costs, it can proceed with contacting the district for review.

Events calendar – Amanda Connor September 12 -First Thursday Pizza Day September 18- BX Back to School BBQ 5-7 pm September 25- Terry Fox Runs September 26- Individual student photo day September 30- Orange Shirt Day

Meeting adjourned at 8:22 pm

Next meeting to be held on Wednesday October 9, 2019 at 7:00 pm in the BX School library

Note: These minutes are the best interpretation of discussions held during the meeting by Amanda Connor. Any noteworthy errors or omissions are unintentional

	TREASUR	ER'S REP	ORT AS C	OF SEPTE	MBER 11	, 2019

	TD Mai	n Bank					
	Openin	g Balance:	19,386.20				
	Money	In:					
		Pizza In	3,112.00				
	Total N	loney In	3,112.00				
Money Out:							
	Sept	Bambora Fees	84.27				
		Ben Dupont Retire	100.00				
		Back to School	132.86				
		Pizza Float	15.00				
	Total M	oney Out:	332.13				
	Ending Bank Sept 11, 2019		22,166.07				
	Total fo	r Wish List:	19,138.34				
	(doesn't include pizza income or fees)						

EMBER 11, 2019		
Gaming Accou	Int	
Opening Balance:		6,883.41
Money In:		
Sept	0.00	
Total Money In		0.00
Money Out:		
Sept	0.00	
Total Money Out:	-	0.00
Ending Bank Sept 11,	2019	6.883.41
Account Balances		
Main Account	22,166.07	
Vantage One Reserve	1,000.00	
Playground	2.78	
Gaming Account	6,883.41	
Butcher Boys Credit	2,977.70	



PAC Executive

On Monday, September 23rd, Romy Hiemstra from the Reading Together Program asked the PAC to pay for curtains for the Art Room. These curtains are to cover the shelves and make the room more enjoyable for the students and volunteers to read in. An email poll with the PAC Executive was conducted and it was agreed that the PAC would pay for the curtains. Christal Armstrong confirmed that it could be paid for out of the gaming account.