



**2024-2025 KITCHENER PAC #3 (In Person)
STAFF ROOM
NOVEMBER 21, 2024
6:30pm**

MINUTES

- 1) CALL TO ORDER 6:35pm Tracey
Mayede-Lok
- Land Acknowledgement
 - Approval of Meeting Minutes
 - Sept Seconded by Jennifer Wu
 - Oct Seconded by Christian
- 2) PRINCIPAL'S REPORT 6:36pm Dino Klarich
- Jeevan Dosanj– Vice Principal (temporary) sends regrets
 - New registrations ongoing; Enrolment is around 530 and will continue to fluctuate
 - Anastasia continues to run the event on Friday's at 9am (to recess at 10:15am). She continues to welcome families. Everyone is welcome. Suggested topic: How to set up parent access to student report card
 - Volleyball at Alpha in process - early Dec on a Friday night Co-ed competitive team will play at Burnaby Mtn
 - Basketball dates to come. Stay tuned
 - The Foundation Skills Assessment (FSA)¹ was completed by Grade 4 and 7 students. The assessment is for use by the Provincial Government of BC to measure reading writing and math skills at the grade levels. The FSA is optional participation. Kitchener student participation was 63% Gr 4 and 38% Gr 7; The testing doesn't go towards student marks. Copies of student assessments will be available to parents in December.

¹ BC Government [LINK](#). "The FSA is a valuable indicator of where individual students might have challenges in reading, writing and numeracy and can be used to help plan their education. It also provides a snapshot of how our education system is meeting the needs of students in these key areas."

- Extra-Curricular Programs at Kitchener include – chess, art (after school), track and field, volleyball, basketball. See [Kitchener school website](#) for up-to-date information.
- Cellphone policy instituted in the fall has been going well. Teachers reporting improvement in student's focus.
- Student Learning – Online Report Cards will be available soon (no letter grades).
 - CLICK below to set up or reset your Report Card Access



- If you continue to need more assistance please call the office.
- December Events
 - Pancake breakfast Dec 19th (more info below).
 - School Sing-A-Long Dec 19th – more info to come
 - Leadership Grade 6/7 doing a fundraiser called Snow Grams in December where students can buy and give to friends. Money raised will be donated to the Food Bank
 - Angel Tree Project – more info to come. Of note, tax receipts can be provided if name and address provided. Leila Vazirian (PAC Treasurer) is volunteering for this program. She is offering support to Persian speaking Families.
- Building Project – no updates at this time.
- All Purpose Society Preschool – waiting on Hydro permit for new building space.
 - Good news all children were placed

3) DPAC REPORT 7:02pm

Tracey

- Paul expressed interested as rep. Stay tuned

4) TREASURER'S REPORT 7:03pm

Leila Vazirian

- \$210 – budget will increase to accommodate increased ELL/LSS staffing
- Earthquake Fund – holding; will review and develop plan in New Year once the Earthquake bin is more accessible.
- Healthy Budget – will discuss in the new year if additional fundraising is necessary.

5) NEW BUSINESS 7:15pm

Various

- Current Fundraisers
 - Purdy's Chocolate sales active until November 25
 - Ongoing: PedalHeads, Tru Earth, Mabels Labels, Recycling

- PAC Monthly Lunches – Led by Sermin (Kindergarten parent)
 - Pizza price increased in November to accommodate the \$0.30 transaction and 2.9% fee charged by the MunchALunch platform.
 - Subway is a possible new hot lunch vendor. More info to follow.
 - PAC will consider a parent survey next year to get feedback on the PAC Hot Lunch Program
- Upcoming events
 - Pancake Breakfast Dec 19
 - Volunteer request to will be mailed to all parents
 - 3 seatings like last year
 - Special Guests – 8-12 seniors from Seton Villa
 - Carol (new family to Kitchener this year) has secured pancake grills from a lower cost vendor and was able to get pancake mixes donated from Save On Foods (Madison)
 - Nur requested a fruit donation from Triple A (Vancouver)
 - Plates have been ordered by Nur. PAC still has forks and napkins.
 - Romina can look into coffee and Christian offering to help with pancakes
 - Santa’s Little Helpers secured by Admin for live entertainment
- PAC Room - Appliance Update
 - Currently in discussion with the Burnaby School District for a new fridge & freezer as they have purchase agreements with local vendors. Stay tuned.
- School Wish List Update
 - PAC has earmarked approx \$4,000 for a School Wish List.
 - Past Wish List items included Ipads, sports jerseys, guitars for the music room. (Note: PACs can no longer purchase technology for their school.)
 - Wish List criteria: items that benefit groups of students ie. all primary or all intermediate or ELL, or all students as a whole and have longevity.
 - Admin have presented the Wish List to the Kitchener Staff Committee and the list build is in the works and to be shared at a future PAC meeting in the new year
 - Jennifer W., PAC Member at Large offering to take the lead on this project as we move forward
- Shoutouts
 - Erica C. and Maya D. on the Kitchener PAC Social Media page
 - Tracy T. on cleaning up the PAC room

6) ADJOURNMENT 7:35pm

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Next meeting: December meeting online Dec 12