

Kent Elementary PAC Meeting Minutes

Date: September 10, 2026

Time: 6:30 PM

Location: School Library

Attendance: Robyn, Stephanie, Brina, Monique, Crystal, Dustin, Talia, Alyssa, Carrie, Amanda, Sarah, Klaryssa, Renee, Jessica, Jonathan, Erin, Kim

1. Call to Order & Welcome Start time: 6:39pm

2. Approval of Agenda

Motion: To approve the agenda.

Motion: Robyn Second: Crystal Vote: Motion carried

3. Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes

Motion: To approve the previous PAC meeting minutes as presented.

Motion: Robyn Second: Crystal Vote: Motion carried

4. DPAC Report

The first meeting is September 24. Social media Meta training has been rescheduled from the summer. Date to be determined. It will be a Saturday with am & pm sessions available.

5. Treasurer's Report

Gaming: \$323.93

General: \$6,301.28

a) Approve budgets set for the year - See attached budgets

Motion to approve budgets for Gaming Grant:

2026-2027 Motion: Robyn Second: Jonathon Vote: Motion carried

Motion to approve budgets for General Account:

2026-2027 Motion: Robyn Second: Monique Vote: Motion carried

b) Gaming summary report sent in by Brina

6. Principal's Report - Jessica McKerrow

It has been a wonderful start to the school year at Kent Elementary. Students have returned eager to learn, reconnect with friends, and settle into new classroom communities. Thank you to our staff, families, and PAC members for helping create such a positive beginning to the year.

Staff Updates

We are pleased to welcome several staff members to new roles this year.

Talia Ritz is with us taking over as the Early Learning and Child care District Vice Principal as well as the vice principal at Kent Elementary School. She comes to us from Inuvit and is currently working on her PHD in Early Learning.

Sarah Belluz has returned from maternity leave and is teaching Grade 6.

We also welcome Sarah Lineham as our new teacher-librarian. Sarah brings extensive literacy experience and will spend the first part of each day providing small-group literacy instruction to students who require additional support.

Congratulations to Miss Taylor, who was married over the summer and is now Mrs. Peters.

Sarah Sherman is currently away getting married and will return next week.

We are also excited to welcome two new Indigenous Support Workers, Nicola and Aaliyah, to our school community. They are looking forward to building relationships with students and introducing drumming, singing, and other cultural learning opportunities throughout the year.

Literacy Focus

Literacy remains a key priority at Kent Elementary. Building on last success, we will continue to have a dedicated Literacy EA supporting students every month of the school year, with the exception of October. This support allows struggling readers to receive targeted instruction in smaller groups. We will also be expanding our Literacy Blitzes this year as well as adding Math Blitzes. These focused interventions provide additional opportunities for students to strengthen foundational reading skills and build confidence as learners.

School Culture and Student Well-Being

We will continue our Kindness Card initiative this year. This program recognizes students who demonstrate kindness, responsibility, inclusion, and respect, helping to reinforce the positive culture we strive to create at Kent. We will be doing Choices in January and February as well as our second round in April May. During the week leading up to Orange Shirt Day and the National Day for Truth and Reconciliation, students will participate in age-appropriate learning opportunities focused on Indigenous perspectives, the legacy of residential schools, and the importance of reconciliation. These experiences help foster understanding, empathy, and respect within our school community.

Appreciation

Thank you to our staff for their hard work in creating a smooth start to the school year and to PAC for your ongoing partnership and support. Your contributions help create opportunities for students and strengthen the sense of community that makes Kent Elementary such a special place to learn and grow.

8. PAC Business

a) Teacher Gift – Person(s) in charge: Stephanie Max \$75.00

b) Pancake Breakfast follow-up

c) Fundraisers for the year: - see attached calendar

- Neufeld farms (September) - person(s) in charge: Robyn - submitted
- Growing Smiles (November) - person(s) in charge: Robyn - submitted
- Hot Chocolate Sale day (January) - person(s) in charge: Renee
- Seeds (march) - person(s) in charge:
- Cake Walk (apr) - person(s) in charge: Renee
- Jogathon (May 28) - person(s) in charge: All of us!
- Freezie sale day (June 3) - person(s) in charge: Renne & Monique

- Motion to approve fundraisers:
2026-2027 Motion: Robyn Second: Jonathon Vote: Motion carried

d) Activities for the year - see attached calendar

- Halloween dance (oct)
- Movie night (nov)
- Kindness week (feb)
- Spring dance (April)

e) Special events hosted by PAC for the year - see attached calendar

- pancake breakfast (sept)
- Festive lunch (dec 16)
- Valentines milk and cookies (feb 11)
- Science show or something similar (mar)
- Jogathon (may)
- Sports day treat (June)

- Motion to approve activities & special events for 2026/2027:
Motion: Robyn Second: Crystal Vote: Motion carried

f) bulletin boards - Richard?

g) Hot Lunch Program with MunchALunch - Monique

Invoice to be paid by e-transfer

h) Open discussion

- Agassiz girl guides are looking for leaders
- If you have a child going into care or already in care and have comments, concerns or questions please email Kimberly who is a parent at large for the Early childhood education and care committee
Kimberly.wucher@gmail.com

Next month's agenda:

10. Adjournment. End time: 8:02pm

Motion: To adjourn the meeting.

Motion: Robyn Second: Stephanie Vote: Motion carried

Gaming Budget

2026-2027

PAC Program	Amount	% of total	Gaming Label	What it covers:
Outdoor learning initiative:	-\$1000	15.92%	Supporting development of outdoor learning space for hands on learning and enrichment	Seating, shade (non permanent), signage, garden tools/materials/mats/station materials
Enrichment in literacy and numeracy:	-\$1000	15.92%	Non-curricular supplemental support for literacy and numeracy	Ex. Heggerty program/JUMP math
Grade 6 Camp	-\$500	7.96%	Extracurricular & enrichment activity	Portion towards grade 6 camp (must pay camp directly for portion)
Dances x 2 & movie night	-\$1000	15.92%	School Spirit & Student Social Event	Halloween/Spring Dances Decorations/treats
Anti-bullying initiative:	-\$400	6.37%	School wide initiative focused on kindness/ anti bullying with structured activities	Game materials and modest prizes/incentives
Student Activity & Club support	-\$1000	15.92%	Extracurricular programs and student-led initiatives	Equipment for after-school clubs
Sports Day & physical activity	-\$200	3.18%	Physical Literacy & Community Event	Ribbons/modest prizes
Student Workshops & guest speakers	-\$1000	15.92%	Student Social and Cultural Enhancements/develo pment	Peace circles/STEM workshops/presentations/ educational event days
Contingency:	-\$280	4.46%		
Total:	\$6, 280	100%		

General Account

PAC Program	Amount	% of total	Notes:
Monthly teacher Gift	-\$525	11.5%	Paid monthly (Sept/Oct/nov/jan/feb/apr/may) \$75
Monthly PAC meeting dinner and babysitting:	-\$1400	30.67%	Paid monthly \$140 Babysitting \$20
Pancake breakfast: ***	-\$500	11%	Paid to vendor (Costco)
Volunteer refreshments:	-\$200	4.38%	Paid to Vendor
Valentines Treat day: ***	-\$700	15.33%	Paid to vendor
Gifts (if needed)	-\$100	2.19%	Paid to vendor
Supplies for PAC Kitchen: (If needed)	-\$100	2.19%	Paid to vendor
Bookfair: ***	-\$640	14%	Paid to school
Munch a lunch fees	-\$380	8.32%	Paid to Munchalunch
Total:	\$4565	100%	