

PAC Meeting Summary – November 26, 2025

Meeting Start: 7:03 PM

Territorial Acknowledgement: The meeting began with a recognition that we are gathered on the traditional territory of the Secwépemc people.

Attendance

- **Parents:** Kayla Vannieuwenhuizen (President), Kim Hildebrandt (Secretary), Kendall Moland (Treasurer), Mackenzie Barker, Mary Scheidegger
- **Staff:** Jodi Garries (Principal), Tammy Meerza (Teacher)

Administrative Actions

- Motion to add under Treasurer's reports a discussion of the term deposits
- Motion to adopt the agenda: Moved by Mackenzie Barker, seconded by Kayla Vannieuwenhuizen. All in favour.
- Motion to adopt September 2025 minutes: Moved by Mackenzie Barker, seconded by Kendall Moland. All in favour.

Principal & Teacher Reports

- **Principal's Report:** See Appendix.
- **Teacher Update (Tammy Meerza):** Thanked parents who have been helping out with Soup Days. The soup has been fantastic! Thanked PAC for all the fundraising that has been going on.

Treasurer's Report (Kendall Moland)

- **Purdy's and Flower profits:** For winter flowers sales, the PAC made \$736.54. For Purdy's, the PAC made \$2,239.
- 18 month term savings account comes due November 28th, current balance \$6, 933. Our general checking account currently has \$11, 550. Money inside the savings account can be accessed same day no penalty, only stipulation withdrawals have to be a minimum of 25% or more. Money can only be deposited at renewal. Motion to add \$5, 067 increasing total balance to \$12,000 by Mary Scheidegger, this was seconded by Mackenzie Barker.

Winter Concert Concession:

- Hot chocolate and popcorn will be sold by donation as well as best seats in the house sales. Best seats in the house will be 1 for \$2, 3 for \$5, and 20 for \$20. Volunteers will be needed for 5:30 pm.

Playground Update:

Play Court:

- Jodi gave an update for play court and swings. The estimate for the play court 32' wide & 65 ' long, with two new basketball backboards, acrylic coating done in two standard colours.
To have the play court done with concrete: estimate is \$62, 979.
To have the play court done with asphalt: estimate is \$59, 207.
Our operations dept's preference would be to have the playcourt done with the concrete (for longevity).

Swings:

The estimate to have a two bay swings set (a total of four swings) with concrete border- 33' wide X 50' long with engineered play chips.

Estimate is \$31, 499.

No estimate yet for the cost of one of 2 options for an accessible swing but the SD physiotherapist has requested quotes from Habitat Systems. Should have this information soon.

It is not cost effective to add an accessible swing to existing swing structure because if we alter the structure of what we have, we are required to update the ground cover and border of the swings to the current standard (which is a pretty significant cost).

Contractor Info:

For parents who have their own businesses who may be able to contribute in some way to the costs for installation or materials, the SD is happy to work with them. School District 83 requires one of the following from them:

- A quote in writing with company letter head, stating the cost and what they are providing to the School District for that amount.
- A copy of the work safe policy/ document
- A copy of their company liability insurance
- They will be required to sign a prime contract agreement as well

Hot Lunch Report: Hot lunch coordinator not present at the meeting.

Events:

- a) December Movie Night: December 12, Grinch Movie night. Will cap it at 50 unattended children. And then families can choose to come by donation.
- b) Unplug and Play: Date and time set for January 28, 5:30-6:30 pm. Will look into breakdancing again.

Open Floor:

Meeting Adjourned: Motion to adjourn at 7:58 pm.

Appendix:

Principal's Report

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☐ We have our 1st term written learning update (also called the report card) coming soon – these will go home on Tues Dec. 16. Students and teachers have been working hard!

☐ Winter concert information: "Hillcrest for the Holidays 2025"

Dates: Dec 3 and 4, about a 40 min show

Times: 1:00 pm and 6:30, drop off child at outside classroom door at 6:10 pm

Who: half the school on the 3rd (Corrie, Boyd, Meerza, Housden/MacDonald, Kehl, Mrs. Smith, Tyssen/Brown), the other half on the 4th (Sudbury, Corbett, Wessely, Mrs. Smith, Gecse, Menzies)

Where: In our school gym

Students' attire: info has gone out to each class about what they need to wear

Popcorn/hot chocolate sales and Best Seats in the House: TBD

☐ Skating – In recent years we have run into trouble with finding skating coaches for our primary students, although we do have a number of parents who are willing to help, but don't want to lead. But, we may have a solution, it just needs to be confirmed. In the meantime, I have booked skating dates and times for all grades, and once we iron out the final details, I will share the info with all. At this point, our first skating date isn't until Jan 19, so we do have time for it to come together.

☐ We were very proud of our students at the Remembrance Day assembly on Nov 7. They took their roles very seriously and behaviour was very respectful. It was noted as one of the best assemblies for expected behaviour!

☐ We have had 3 fire drills, 1 lockdown, 1 earthquake drill, and 1 hold & secure drill so

far. We are finished drills for 2025!

☐ Mrs. Blacklock is once again starting up a reading club called 'Page Turners'. It is for students in grades 2-5, and will be held in the library on Monday mornings from 7:45-8:10. It is drop-in style.

☐ Last day before the winter break is Fri Dec 19 and the first day back after the winter break is Mon. Jan 5, 2026.

☐ Merry Christmas and Happy New Year everyone ??