

Okanagan Falls PAC

Members Meeting Minutes

OKFES Feb 6, 2024 6:00 PM

1. Welcome and Call to Order – 6:01 pm call to order
 - a. Introductions - In attendance: Katie Poole, Sholeh Pickell, Laura Setrakov, Catherine Golinsky, Chantelle Bruwer, Angela Mavety, Dominique Kruger, Matt Taylor, Ivy Yoder, Jeremy Frausel, Alisha Hardy
 - b. Adoption of agenda – *motion to approve: 1st Catherine, 2nd Angela*
 - c. Approval of minutes from Dec 2023 – *motion to approve – 1st Chantelle, 2nd Ivey*
 - d. Bouquets-Everyone helping out with Karen's retirement: Alisha for the video (and Zepher Pickell!), Erin for all the shopping and Angela and family for donating wine. It was very special. Katie for stepping in. *motion to approve* Everyone who has been helping out with Movie nights: Jill/Kris, Ivy/Jeremy, Alisha, Erin, Angela. Anyone else I have missed. Great to see the turnout.

2. Reports

- ***Matt Taylor-Q & A about Ok Falls:***
 - Matt's goal is to reach all the groups in Ok Falls to provide updates/answer questions/allow people to bring up concerns about what is happening in the community. He will come to as many meetings as we would like him at.
 - Matt is excited for the positive direction Ok Falls is headed:
 - Infrastructure –
 - Housing: Lots of housing projects in the works (200 homes in various stages of proposal/ land is already bought for it)
 - Sewer + water – Not in fabulous shape, but good. They are a limiting factor for the area to grow.
 - Budgeting – currently in the middle of it. RDOS budgets are complicated (1,100 pages). 96% of all services provided in region are within 5% of their budget. Budget likely growth of 7-8%, this is due to inflation.
 - Housing/rent crunch – We have a 1 to 1.5% rent vacancy. Provincial changes will affect short term rental requirements. However, we need to decide as a district if we want to opt into these provincial changes on short term rentals. This decision has to be made by March 31st. **If you feel strongly one way or another, send Matt an email**
 - Incorporation - is underway. Analysis will be done in April. If you want to learn more, look up RDOS region connections (<https://rdosregionalconnections.ca/>)
 - Questions/Comments from PAC–
 - *Community partners meeting happen once a month* – great opportunity to learn more and have a say on the direction the community is heading.
 - Intersection/traffic flow. There is a specific concern for our students safety crossing the highway. Drivers are not considerate of the crossing guard/ our children.
 - Matt: Plans to address Ok Falls traffic flows/intersection needs is in progress; however, it

is very slow. They are aware/dealing with 3 problem intersection/traffic flows.

- Matt would love to come again so he doesn't dominate meeting and can answer more question. Please email questions to PAC and we will send him our questions so he is prepared before next meeting he attends.

- **School Trustee- *Sholeh Pickell- District 53 Board report***

- 2022/23 grad completion report is in. – released our grad results. Very positive, amazing numbers. However, as an area we need to do better in assisting and helping children in foster care.
- Lots of early learning programs going on: Lunch and learn numeracy games, story workshops, pop-up play events, wiggle giggle and shake events, early learning at the temple, come count with me, and changing possibilities for young children. These events are primarily in Oliver. Find out more about these events, as well as resources on making learning fun on the District 53 website - <https://www.sd53.bc.ca/>
- Budget is currently in consultation. **Feb 22nd budget meeting** – please show up if you want to input on where you'd like to see money go towards.

- **Administrator- Katie Poole**

- Our new GaGa ball pit will be installed once the weather is better and ground is dry. Stay tuned!
- Parkour – Thank you PAC for sponsoring
- Ukalele – starts April 5th. (sessions – every Friday)
- Bowling and virtual dance starts Feb 19th – all classes get 45 minutes
- Skating has finished up. Very successful.
- End of Year celebrations:
 - Teachers would like lifeguards for year end at beach
 - PAC would like to see an alternative activity. We are not interested in paying for this.
- Staff Parking Debacle!! – we only own the front 5-6 stalls. The remainder of the parking is on land owned by another company who has allowed us to park there. However, a new housing project will be taking back this land, and our staff will need an alternative parking situation. Apparently* the proposed alternative is to take down the trees in primary field and pave the area. The soccer posts will be moved.
 - PAC feels strongly about this issue – we are not happy with this alternative. This is a high use area. What would the costs be to move the play ground on the other side of the school?
 - Sholeh to take this issue to the district.
- Hot lunches will now be 4x week – Law of Attraction (cute food truck) has signed on for 2 days a week – for the first 6 weeks there will be 3 wholesome options (Mac n cheese with ham and peas, grilled cheese with chicken noodle soup, and shephards pie). Meals will be \$4/student, with the school subsidizing the remaining \$4 school pays.
- Breakfast program – Muffins are now available on Tuesdays. Belich's is looking at expanding their support to provide hot breakfast from 2 days a

- week to 4 days a week Hot breakfast might be bumped to 4 days a week –
- All students are currently learning the Okanagan song
- Pink the Rink – huge hit! 70 – 80 students and 60 parents signed up.
 - Not for parents: **Judging happens in first period** - be LOUD. Don't leave during break.
 - Can everyone return cow bells from last year's Pink the rink. Post a reminder on PAC
- All kids will be attending the OES musical
- Treasurer-Erin Lang

Treasurer Report

Balances:

Organisational	\$7,575.82
Gaming	\$1,036.92

Approved activities:

Yanti	\$1,000
Ethos	\$672
Year End	\$600
Yearbooks	\$1,300
Buffer	\$500
Total	\$4,072

Activities to consider:

Frisbee	\$500/\$750 + Frisbees
Orchestra	\$504
Swimming?	\$2160

frisbee – teachers on board

Motion to pay for 1/2 frisbee day – 1st – Laura, 2nd – Chantelle. All in favour

How much are frisbees? ** - find out much// RDOS to donate what frisbees they might have \$7.50 each. Order 100 and get a custom logo*

May 13-17th*

- Frisbee Rob – teachers are on board.
 - Motion to pay (\$500) for ½ day (he comes with all instructional supplies): 1st *Laura*, 2nd *Chantelle*. All in favour.
 - Custom Rob frisbees are \$7.50/each, 100 minimum. PAC will not cover that cost.
 - Availability May 13-17th
- Kelowna symphony orchestra - 2 classes going at a cost of \$504.
 - Motion to pay \$252 – 1st *Dom*, 2nd *Catherine*. All in favour.
- Norman Foote-see forwarded email
 - No one interested in taking it on.
- Movie Jan 19-bigger turnout. We made \$109. Used \$60 Belich bucks. We still have

another \$60, plus some leftover pop, chips.

- **March 1st @ 6pm – next movie night**

e. Meat Draws moving forward - We loosely committed to one/month. There has been a turnover at the Legion. They want us involved, but we need to discuss with new board about expectations of return investment for our efforts. Once understanding/agreement made, we will start again after spring break.

f. Spring Plant Fundraiser – *Steph - when do we get started on this?*

- Best to have delivery right before mothers day (promote as gifts).
- Posters/forms to be created
- Promote right after spring break.
 - Mothers day May 12
 - *What is turn around time before last orders due and pick up?*

g. Potential Fundraiser @ Ok Falls Hotel –

- outline: We set the target for ticket sales (like 60 tickets in total, but then we are responsible for selling those) and the price, but they charge \$20 for the burger and beer so they would at least have to be \$25/ticket. We can also do a silent auction during or anything else and they will also give 20% of the bar tab after we have squared up for the ticket sales stuff.
- Thoughts: Adults only, Advertise in Skaha matters
- Revisit at next meeting

h. Schoolastic bookfair – not at this time. Perhaps organize for October parent teacher interviews.

i. Community Garden - **no**

- Dom – pumpkin project
 - PAC would like to sponsor?
 - **Talk at next meeting** – Dom to bring rough costs

3. Wrap-Up

- Skaha matters communication for March
 - Spring plant fundraiser
 - 4 days a week hot lunch
 - Next meeting

4. Next Meeting: Tuesday, March 5 @ 6pm

5. Adjournment: Meeting adjourned. 7:41