

PARKLAND MIDDLE SCHOOL

PARENT ADVISORY COUNCIL

Wed 18 Jun 2025

Minutes

Attendees:

Amanda Spooner (Chair)
Jennifer Morrison (Secretary)
Doug McPhee (Trustee)
Brenda Tyson (Principal)
Sharon Heidemann
Kyla Cornish
Janice Bradshaw
Jennifer Innes

Regrets:

Pam Drydale (Vice Principal)

1. **Welcome/Call to Order/Land Acknowledgement.** 6:30pm land acknowledgment by Brenda.
2. **Approval of Agenda.** Motion made by Sharon, second by Amanda, all in favour.
3. **Approval of Previous Minutes.** April tabled to Jun meeting, minutes reviewed. Motion made by Sharon, second by Amanda, all in favour. May minutes reviewed; motion made by Sharon, second by Amanda, all in favour.
4. **Correspondence Review/Update.** Nil
5. **Principal Report.** a. It's June! One of the busiest months wrapping up this year and planning for next year. Gr 9 celebration traditions being reinstated this year. Exceptional performance by track athletes at district and provincial meets including new regional records and personal bests. Dance tomorrow night. MyEd report cards published by 26 June, parents can request printed copies. Laurie hosted a dance last week for Gr 6 – 8 and then separate time for Gr 9, kids from Selkirk joined as well, went very well. Two staffing positions to fill, full contingent for next year. Excited for next year.
6. **School Trustee Report.** b. Ministry of Education has put in two learning opportunities in PE 10, resuscitation – CPR and AED use. BAA (board approved course) course developed locally (2 credit course) for those enrolling in an online course to review learning expectations, homework, etc. Grasmere consultations for playground community use and elementary school building (\$2M upgrades required to occupy), grants applied and 5-year lease required formal closing of school. Final two readings of budget for next year; 100 fewer students in the district next year (increases in Elkford and Fernie, decreases in Cranbrook; may impact size/capacity discussion for Amy Woodland replacement). Staffing ongoing, administrative moves for professional opportunities. Graduation and retirement ceremonies ongoing.
7. **DPAC.** Nil
8. **Treasurer Report.**
Gaming acct: balance of \$22145.61, no change.
General acct: balance of \$2106.14 as of end May (\$4 bank fee withdrawal).
9. **Old Business.**

- a. Playground Equipment. Swings planned for installation the week of 14 Jul. SD5 to fund \$5K and will supply temporary fencing. Parkland to fund balance after SD5 and PAC funds expended. Motion made by Jen to spend \$22000 from gaming fund for purchase of swings and accessories, second by Amanda, all in favour. Motion made by Jen to spend \$850 from the general account for purchase of swings and accessories, second by Amanda, all in favour.
- b. Teacher Funding Request forms – update. Jen to digitize version emailed by Brenda. Starting 25/26: Two intakes per year in order to prioritize requests (one in fall (Nov) and another in spring (April)).
- c. Learning Centre Reconfiguration – update. Proposal can be submitted next year.

10. New Business.

- a. Soccer goal nets – defer to next year, safety issues if left up permanently? Can also look into smaller moveable goals for next year.
- b. Fall Welcome BBQ – planned for Thu 25 September 2025. Jen made a motion to spend up to \$1200 for BBQ supplies from the general account, second by Sharon, all in favour.
- c. PAC AGM – Wed 15 Oct
- d. PAC Schedule for next year: Proposed 3rd Wednesday of the month 6:30pm Library. 9 Sep (BBQ Planning meeting, Amanda to coord virtual invitation), Regular meetings: Oct (AGM), Nov, Jan, Feb, Apr, May. Motion made by Sharon, second by Amanda, all in favour.

11. Next meeting. Wed 17 Sep 25 at 630pm in the school library.

12. Adjournment 7:49pm