



Minutes
École Coquitlam River
Elementary
Parent Advisory Council

December 2, 2025

- 1) Attendance:** Alysha Hackett, Lina Grajales, Tanya Wu, Aynsley Pescitelli, Nicole Spindor, Tara Morton, Jennie, Tanya, Trevor, Veronika Sakovich, Kelly Abott, Maral, Pamela

Meeting Called to Order: 7:04pm

- 2) Approval of minutes:** Alysha Hackett, Aynsley Pescitelli

- 3) Approval of agenda:** Alysha Hackett, Nicole Spindor

4) Principals report

-David is moving to a new school after January (we will miss him!). He is in year 6 and has been moved due to a few retirements within the district. The new principal is currently at Banting and will be coming to CRE to visit. There will be a handover process over the coming weeks to ensure a smooth transition.

-upcoming events, spirit day this Friday December 5th (wear red and green)

-Season of giving started last week, switched process this year and will be accepting monetary donations to streamline things. This gives the families we are supporting the ability to make decisions about how to use the funds.

-Friday December 12th our choir along with Central Elementary choir will do a concert and have pizza

-the week of Dec 14-19 there will be fun events ongoing and pyjama day/early dismissal at 12pm on the 19th

-all the lights in the school are being changed to more energy efficient ones. This might take up to 2 months to complete, the empty classroom is being used to store the materials

-shade initiative update: David is applying for a grant that focuses on gathering spaces to help fix up the outdoor classroom in the front of the school

-some mice in the school, will deal with them as needed

5) Treasurer update

-some issues with Vancity and cheques can be put through multiple times online and we only have 24 hours to report them. There have been 3 issues in the last year.

-something to consider that we may need to switch banks



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CRE PAC TREASURER REPORT School Year 2025/2026

Meeting date: December 2, 2025
Prepared by: Lina Grajales

ACCOUNT BALANCES – as of Dec 2, 2025

General Operating Fund - \$36,414.83

- To be withdrawn: \$ 1,700.00
 - Spirit of giving – Hampers: \$500.00
 - TCBY: \$ 1,200.00
- To be deposited: \$504.00
 - Sun-Oka fruit farms fundraiser

Gaming Fund – \$ 7,277.96

- To be withdrawn: \$ 2,095.35
 - Chocolate suckers \$595.35
 - Hip Hop \$1500

Playground Fund - \$ 13,514.45

Grade 5 Account - \$ 825.67

- Will deposit \$500 from the PAC

SUMMARY OF RETURNING PAC SUPPORTED PROGRAMS

- Classroom Fund: \$150 per division
- Field Trip Fund: \$5 per student
- Teacher Wish List: \$2,500

GENERAL NOTES:

- None today

Item: General Account	Proposed Budget 2025-2026	Spent to Date	Current Balance
Babysitting (\$17.50/hr)	\$ 700	\$ 140.00	\$ 560.00
Social Committee	\$ 300		\$ 300.00
Classroom Funds	\$ 3,000		\$ 3,000.00
Teacher wish list	\$ 2,500		\$ 2,500.00
Snowflake Ball/ DJ	\$ 1,400	\$ 262.50	\$ 1,137.50
Pac Movie Night	\$ 1,000	\$ 565.60	\$ 434.40
Grad Funds	\$ 500		\$ 500.00
Christmas Hampers	\$ 500	\$ 500.00	\$ -
Strong Start	\$ 500		\$ 500.00
PAC Supported Lunches	\$ 5,000	\$ 1,480.00	\$ 3,520.00
Munch a Lunch	\$ 280		\$ 280.00
Miscellaneous Admin Expenses	\$ 500		\$ 500.00
Volunteer appreciation gifts (draws)	\$ 200		\$ 200.00
PAC Zoom	\$ 245	\$ 240.69	\$ 4.31
Carnival	\$ 5,000		\$ 5,000.00
Teacher Appreciation Week	\$ 500		\$ 500.00
TOTALS:	\$ 22,125.00	\$ 3,188.79	\$ 18,936.21

Item: Gaming Account	Proposed Budget 2025-2026	Spent to Date	Current Balance
BCCPAC Membership	\$ 100	\$ 100.00	\$ -
Field Trip Funds	\$ 1,600	\$ -	\$ 1,600.00
December Treat day	\$ 675	\$ 595.35	\$ 79.65
Charlie's Chocolate			
End of year freezie day	\$ 100	\$ -	\$ 100.00
Dance Class (Hip Hop)	\$ 1,500	\$ 1,500.00	\$ -
Activity (performance, etc)	\$ 1,500	\$ -	\$ 1,500.00
Welcome back coffee and donuts	\$ 200	\$ 190.01	\$ 9.99
Tennis	\$ 525	\$ -	\$ 525.00
MISC (Cheques)		\$ 104.52	\$ -
TOTALS:	\$ 6,200.00	\$ 2,385.36	\$ 3,814.64



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6) Chairpersons report

Hot lunches/Treat days in December:

December 11th- Little Caesars

December 16th- free treat day, chocolate lollipops

December 18th- A&W

For all future dates please see PAC news

-Hardbite chips manufacturing issues there may be a delay so we will need to come up with a substitute (possibly lays)

-we need all the snowflake ball décor taken down before the week of December 14th, can be done on a weekend (maybe worthwhile to consider purchasing a ladder with PAC funds)

-Carnival Monday June 1st after school, time TBD (Kelly is willing to be a project manger) will need many more volunteers to make it possible

7) Input from parent's present

Is it typical to switch principals' mid year? Yes, this aligns with the contract so there are moves either mid year or end of year. In some ways it is easier since things are already up and running.

What is the Maydays event from this week's newsletter? This is put on by the city of POCO it is up to individual families if they would like to apply to participate

8) DPAC

-guest lecturer Nov. 26th spoke about language development in children

-Working on the 2030 plan at the district level and to have the strategic plan by completed Jan. 13th. It is very much in draft form right now, there is an additional meeting scheduled on December 9th minimal notice was given, unsure if a member of our PAC can attend. This meeting will likely be an activity related to the wording of the strategic plan.

Grade 5's

-Facebook group for all grade 5 families- <https://tinyurl.com/cre26grads>

-will have a silent auction at the snowflake ball

9) New business

-families would prefer a different type of pizza instead of Little Caesars at events, we will investigate different pizza vendors



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10) Next meeting: Tuesday January 13th

11) Adjournment 7:57pm

Current and Ongoing Fundraisers

Gabi & Jules- Order deadline Dec. 9, pickup from CRE Dec.16th

Mabels Labels- go to mabelslabels.ca and click “support a fundraiser” search for CRE PAC and get shopping. There are a wide variety of labels you can create.

Return it Depot- Walk up with your bottle returns in a clear of see-through blue plastic bag and put in the school’s phone number (604)-942-0241 into the express return machine- print out your labels and place them on the bags to leave the express return area for you deposit to go to the fundrasing efforts. Don’t forget to scan the bag! There is a maximum of 12 glass bottles per bag and 6 bags per day.