

Raymer Elementary School Parent Advisory Council  
Meeting Minutes - Thursday, November 22nd, 2018 - 6:30 p.m.

**1. Principals Report/School Learning Plan-** Principal Terrilynn Nunes

Central Family Zone Learning Forum- Highlights

- students were so confident in the speaking and sharing about Play is the Way as Growth Mindset
- This will be an annual event and Raymer's Central Family Zone will be around October

Grade 6 Mini We Day at Raymer

*(Ever year selected students from each school across the school district go to the WeDay event in Vancouver.)*

Since it was later this year, SD23 decided to not send students because of the road weather conditions.

- Wed evening speakers: Mohini Singh & Mr. Samaddar
  - 10min to share about their causes and how they contribute to the community
  - student Qs to speakers were very rich
- Team building challenges, what is a leader and ways to develop that.
- Guest speakers on Thurs: Kevin Kaiser (*Central Okanagan School District aboriginal resource teacher*), Norah Bowman

In and about Raymer

- Raymer Choir now includes Kindy to Grade 6- thanks to Teacher Pam Samaddar
- More buddy classes this year- collaboration among grades
  
- The Parent evening Nov 1<sup>st</sup> on Communicating student learning and assessment-*over 30 parents attended*
- Triangulated evidence is the most effective evidence  
Conversations > Products > Observations >
- **CSL team – Collaborative Service Learning team** Raymer chosen as one of the 6 schools for this year to co-plan, co-teach, and co-learn with the **CSL team** at Raymer 1/week for rest of this year.  
<https://www.instructionalleadershipsteam.com/about>
- How do you capture evidence of authentic learning?
  
- Need evidence / input from Parents....
- Members present discussed best methods of including as many parents as possible in this dialogue.
  - 1. online survey in January.
  - 2. 15 min conversations at PAC meetings.
  - 3. suggestion for a Parent Info night maybe February after the three way parent teacher student conferences in January to get feedback from parents re: conferences.
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*Principal Nunes left the Meeting at 7pm*

2. **Treasurer Report:** Melissa B.

(approved at Oct meeting that the General account is reduced to \$5,000 for emergency fund)

finalized 2018/19 PAC Budget

VOTE:

**School funding REQUESTS for 2018/2019**

1. **Bookroom leveled reading books** – about \$5,000 - \$10,000.

(Terrilynn says \$1000 -\$2000 a year will help school grow this selection)

**Vote: \$1000 Approved (all in favour) for leveled reading books from general account surplus**

**-Propose to make this the 2018/19 Raffle fundraiser-\$5,000**

**VOTE: Tabled until more info regarding bookroom,** parents expressed concerns with Teacher access to books if they are in resource room

2. **ADST:** (Purchase using funds raised 2017/18 school year e.g. Pizza Day)

- **OSMOs genius kit-** \$129.95ea (2-4) **\$400 for 3**
- **Makey-Makey set-** \$41.49ea (2 boxes for primary stem kits and 2 boxes for intermediate)

- **\$200 for 2 of each level**

**VOTE: \$600 Approved (all in favour)**

3. **Water bottle refill Fountain** - \$6,143

- school district contribution -\$2,000
- Student Voice Fundraisers- \$\_\_\_\_\_
- RayPAC could contribute \$2000 from PAC surplus

**VOTE: \$2,000 APPROVED (all in favour)**

**Raymer's Mini We Day for Grade 6**

"WE DAY" Critique from parent- brought concerns to sd23 regarding the we day corporate organization's human rights violations, bullying tactics, targeted marketing schemes to impressionable youth.

-parents present discussed they are impressed with Raymers school based decision in 2016 to host a mini leadership event at Raymer so that it is more inclusive for all the grade 6 students, rather than the way it was before with a select few students chosen to attend We Day in Vancouver.

-Parents all in agreement that the concept of it as a student Leadership event is valuable, and appreciate all the work that goes into this sleepover event by staff and parent volunteers.

**-suggestion for Raymer Elementary to change "brand"** to not be tied to "WeDay" ... and instead as stand alone "student Leadership" event, grade 6 students to be involved in the naming of event

-RayCOPAC rep suggested parent to bring concerns to sd23 human rights committee and COPAC

**PAC financial contribution to "WeDay" food.**

At Oct Meeting \$400 was approved to purchase food and supplies for 2 snacks, Dinner, Breakfast and Lunch for the Grade 6 sleepover at Raymer

-PAC also donated Kernels Popcorn (valued @ \$43) for the evening snack to help keep it under \$400.

-The Volunteer that purchased food spent \$89.62 over budget.

**Members present voted to pay only the approved \$400.** School had to pay the extra cost.

also discussed the importance of not going over budget--**Going forward its suggested that a PAC Executive member purchases food then the purchaser is held accountable to not go over budget.**

-This event needs to be sustainable each year....

2016-1st year \$397 spent, 2017-2nd year \$300 spent (\$100 of food donated).

**3. Old Business-President: Deannie Zahara**

- COBSS: RayPAC funds a \$500 bursary to KSS student that attended Raymer K-6.
- 2018 Recipient- Brian Lee returned the bursary as students must go directly into post-secondary education.
  - COBSS picked an alternate- Katherine Taylor (*see thankyou letter posted to PAC Board in school*)
- Clean Air & Safe Routes 4 schools: only 4 families completed the online survey.
  - With this limited information, City of Kelowna cannot do a proper analysis and compare it with previous years.
    - **Link posted again to Facebook and request that Principal Nunes send by email.**

**4. New Business**

- Family Fun nights
  - **Free Bingo Night: Thurs, Nov 29th 6-7pm- need volunteers for Bingo Caller & Concession Sales**
- **December Movie Night-** families would like it again this year Friday, Dec 14th
- **Spring Fair-** June 21, 2018 - **Need big ticket prizes for the Raffle- valued up to \$500**
- **Grade 6** Purdys Year end field trip Fundraiser -online posted to facebook

**5. Information Items:**

- Update thank you to Dayna for getting the application in process to nominate Mr. Corrado for The Premier's Awards for Excellence in Education
- **COPAC Report-** Adam C.
  - COPAC Leadership Conference: Nov 24, 18 FREE Childcare, Breakfast and Lunch
  - *See attached Mon, Nov 6th Meeting Minutes.*

**6. Motion to adjourn - 7:37pm**

**Next meeting: Thursday, January 17<sup>th</sup>**