

INFORMATION SHEET

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Facebook Group: [Hans Helgesen Elementary 2022-2023](#)



What is a PAC?

The School Act gives parents the right through the Parent Advisory Council (PAC) to advocate on behalf of their school community to the school board, administration and other school staff on matters relating to the school and the students.

Examples of what a PAC does:

- Promotes the education and welfare of students
- **Provides a forum to discuss educational issues**
- Assists the principal and staff in ensuring the highest safety standards are maintained in the school and neighbourhood
- **Organizes and supports activities for students and parents**
- Provides financial support for the goals set out by the parent community through government grants and various fundraisers
- **Promotes the interests of public education**
- Contributes to a sense of community within the school and between the school, home, and neighbourhood
- **Assists parents in obtaining information and communicating with the principal and staff about any concerns**



PAC Meetings:
September, October,
November, January, February,
April, May and June

**Currently the third Thursday
of the month at 7pm via
Microsoft Teams**

Current PAC Executive:

President: Carla Robinson

Vice President: Morgan Bley

Treasurer: Erica Fraser

Secretary: Kevin Won

Member at Large: Emily Karger

SPEAC Rep: Nicole Hergert



2022/2023 PAC HIGHLIGHTS



The next major goal for the PAC is updating and adding to the playground equipment

Here is a summary of what the PAC has provided so far this year (including upcoming items):

- **\$4000** towards classroom/ division needs (classroom projects, events)
- **\$500** for the library
- **\$500** for inclusion support
- **\$1000** for school art supplies
- **\$500** for the school music program
- **\$1100** towards the forest shed project
- **\$312.98** for the Pancake Breakfast supplies
- **\$500** towards the school presentation of Percussion Works Performance
- **\$1300** for new hockey sticks and nets
- **\$500** for the Grade 5 Grad Ceremony
- **\$5000** for the school courtyard



Where do the funds come from?

Funds are raised through three different avenues:

- 1) Gaming and other grants
- 2) Fundraisers requiring financial contributions from the parents/ school community
- 3) Fundraisers requiring no financial contribution from parents/ school community

How you can support the school:

For the PAC to continue to organize events, activities and provide financial support to the school, volunteers and parent participation are necessary.

Examples of volunteering/ participation

Bottle Drives

- Volunteer for a one-hour shift to help sort the glass bottles from all other containers
 - Bottle drives happen 3-4 times a year typically on Saturdays from 9-12.
- Contribute to the bottle drive by bringing a bag of bottles.
 - If you can't drop off during the actual bottle drive, reach out to the PAC to drop off prior to.

Halloween Dance/ Spring Fling

- Volunteer for a set up or take down shift
- Volunteer to do a door shift collecting entry fee
- Volunteer to a concession shift
- Volunteer for a shift at one of the games/ activities
- Donate items for prizes

Attic Treasurers (Holiday shopping)

- Volunteer for a set up or take down shift
- Volunteer to help the kids shop
- Volunteer for a wrapping shift
- Donate gift items

School Movie Night

- Volunteer for a set up or take down shift
- Volunteer for a shift at the concession