

# INFORMATION SHEET

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Facebook Group: [Hans Helgesen Elementary 2023-2024](#)



## 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 either via  
Microsoft Teams or in person**

### **Current PAC Executive:**

**President: Kevin Won**

**Vice President: Morgan Bley**

**Treasurer: Erica Fraser**

**Secretary: Molly Demorest**

**Member at Large: Emily Karger**

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**Carla Robinson**

**SPEAC Rep: TBD**



# 2022/2023 PAC HIGHLIGHTS



Here is a summary of what the PAC provided last year:

- \$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