

Phoenix School Parent Advisory Council Meeting
Tuesday, October 14, 2025
Phoenix School

In attendance:

Heidi Taillieu, President
Jana Ledet, Vice-President
Michelle Huminicki, Treasurer
Rylan Page, Secretary
Patrick Betz, Principal

1. Meeting called to order at 6:00 pm
2. Principal's Report
 - Mr Betz explained the new TAG Groups (Totally Awesome Groups) in the school
 - Phoenix school is grateful to all the families who came out to the welcome BBQ
 - Mr. Betz discussed the dance-a-thon being the only school driven fundraiser that we will be doing this year, in lieu of parent fundraising fees
 - Discussed the new technology in classrooms, smartboards, etc.
 - Discussed PD days
 - Introduced DEI initiative "Power of words"
3. Munch-a-Lunch update
 - Much a lunch has been launched, first lunch to be Oct 17th.
 - Cutoff for lunch purchases will be Mondays of the lunch week.
 - 112 orders for muchalunch this week
4. Financials update and approvals
 - Michelle put forward a motion to have signing authority on cheques under \$50
 - Seconded by Rylan, carried by show of hands
5. Fundraising recap and goals
 - Grade 5 grad is one of the major expenses of fundraising, approximately \$150 last year. PAC agreed it is a worthwhile expense to celebrate the end of Phoenix for grade 5 grads
 - Muchalunch return is about 17-18% based on PAC markup, nothing from the restaurant is going to the school. We could explore other restaurants to see if they are willing to make a donation or some percentage to the school.
 - Mr. Betz will follow up with the Assistant Secretary Treasurer to see if a one time parent donation would still be acceptable if parents were willing to make a donation
 - Mr. Betz will see if there are any policy limitations regarding fundraisers that we need to be mindful of in planning.
 - Discussed the success of the book fair last year, first book fair since the pandemic, was very well received and did very well. Looking forward to doing another one this year.
 - Mabels labels fundraiser is available through the phoenix school website, and will remain available.

- Will likely o another Kernels fundraiser this year.
- Shelmerdine's fundraiser is also likely, will decide by the next parent council meeting to get it set up for Christmas
- Discussed other potential fundraising ideas, student created cards, cookbooks, or other student created fundraising ideas. Rylan and Heidi will look int the base costs of these ideas. MR. Betz will see what the teachers think.

6. Next meeting date:

- November 12th at 6pm