



APE des Grands-Cèdres

MEETING CALLED BY:

APE Ecole de Grand Cedres

TYPE OF MEETING:

Monthly

PLEASE READ:

Oliver Naud

FACILITATOR:

Marie Pascal

TIMEKEEPER:

Tatiana Tordoya
Started: 7:30 pm
Finished: 8:30 pm

NOTE TAKER:

Tatiana Tordoya

PLEASE BRING:

n/a

APE EXECUTIVES 2024-2025:

President: Olivier Naud
Vice-President: Stephanie Coulson
Treasurer: Karli Gibson
Secretary: Tatiana Tordoya

List of attendees:

Oliver Naud

Eve-Lyne Gaithier

Stephanie Belle Coulson

Stephanie A. Coulson

Tatian Tordoya

Courtney Rushfeldt

Karli Gibson

Kristel Eely

Marie Pascal Addison

Zem and Eric Bondy

APE Minutes– October 1st, 2024

1. Review and adopt minutes from the September meeting.

Reviewed by Courtney R. as a first motion, and Ashleigh Boyle as a second motion

2. Review and adopt the agenda for this meeting.

Reviewed by Ashleigh as a first motion, and Courtney R. as a second motion.

3. Principal's Report – Marie-Pascale

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

APÉ Meeting

1er octobre 2024

Welcome to all parents.

I would like to acknowledge the traditional, ancestral, unceded territory of the Hupač̓asath and Tseshaht communities and Nuu-Chah-Nulth First Nations, on which we are learning, working and meeting today.

1) Health & Safety

- A reminder to discuss safety on the bus. Children should stay always seated, no leaning in the aisle, no eating or drinking on the bus, and no large sport equipment is allowed on the bus (No hockey stick, please).
- Children should be dressed for rainy weather with boots and raincoat with hood.

2) Events last month

- The school had its first assembly on September 12 to review the code of conduct during recess, in the school, during transition, lunches, during P.E., and on the bus.
- The students started their once-a-week dance lessons with Elite Dance Studio. Based on the school's projected budget, we may be able to pay close to half of the cost of the lessons (Total= 14 x \$300=\$4,200). We went from 59 students to 57, with one family who moved to Québec, so the amount will be confirmed at the end of this week.
- The school had its first fire drill with the Jericho building. The system and fire extinguishers are all up to date.
- We commemorated orange shirt day on September 26, and we had the superintendent's visit at school. The first Nation Elder, Irene Robinson, had a tree ornament made by an artist from the painted plates the students offered last year during her visit. The tree is posted on our FB page.
- The djembe drum artist from Nanaimo, Louise Raymond, from Malicounda Dance, came to give 2 workshops to our K-Gr 3 & Gr 4-7, on Friday. Drumming was fun and therapeutic.
- Gr 2-3 will be participating in the Apple Academy Leadership and Innovation Program by connecting with other students their age, using technology as a tool and shifting the belief that it is used for playing games. This program is carefully designed to create a balance between hands on activities and the use of the tablet. Mr. Michael is currently doing the training with all the school district teachers.
- The Terry Fox Day was a huge success. MANY THANKS to Kenzie, Lisa & Kevin Mathieson for their help preparing and serving lemonade & slush lemonade at school last Friday. We also want to thank all our parents who contributed to the run and the foundation. A special thanks to Karli Gibson for helping with the stretching exercises, and to Tomy Vezina, Stacy Dale, Giem Tran, Candy & Gavin Hastings, James Wingfield, Ray Eely and Gary Frechette for helping set up and packing.
- The school paid the registration fee for Experiences Canada/Quebec trip.

3) Strong Start Program

L'ÉGC officially started its Strong Start Program on Monday September 9th.

Please announce it on the APÉ FB page. Days and hours are Monday through Friday from 8:40am until 11:10am. All children with guardian can attend. Registration is a must; however, families don't need to attend full time or be francophone.

4) Aide aux devoirs/Homework Club will probably start the second week of October. We will be able to make announcement to parents soon.

5) Because of sports and intramurals with SD70 on Wednesdays after school, the French and cultural club activities with Mme Sylvie will be held during lunch time and in class.

6) The CSF is organizing another soccer tournament in Nanaimo this year on Wednesday October 16 at the Beban Gyro sports complex. Mme Andréanne will be accompanying the students, and we need parent volunteers.

7) The interim progress report will be sent home on October 16th. A reminder that Friday October 18 & 21 will be early dismissal at 11h40, followed by parent teacher conferences in the afternoon.

8) I will be away to the ACELF Conference from October 16-18. Mme Andréanne & Mme Ève-Lyne will be the teachers responsible during this time. Mme Annick will forward any pressing matters to me, and for any emergency, I am always reachable 250-730-0748.

9) Fresh to You fundraiser will resume this year. More info from Mme Annick coming soon.

Financial Quebec trip report from 2 years ago:

Dépenses (\$)

Frais d'EXPERIENCES CANADA

· Droits d'adhésion	\$ <u>250\$</u>
· Frais d'inscriptions (\$250 x no.de participants)	\$ <u>2,500</u>

Frais d'hébergement local

· Déplacements	\$ <u>4000</u>
· Activités	\$ <u>2000</u>
· Repas	\$ <u>1000</u>

Autres dépenses

· Coûts d'un enseignant suppléant	\$ <u>1500</u>
· Mesures spéciales	\$ <u> </u>
· Coûts additionnels pour les chaperons	\$ <u>300</u>
· Autres coûts	\$ <u> </u>

∴ TOTAL DES DÉPENSES (INCLUS LES DROITS D'ADHÉSION)

11,550 \$

4. Treasurer's Report by Karli Gibson

**École des Grands-cèdres
APE Treasurer's Report – October 2024**

Starting Balance (Last Meeting: Sept. 10, 2024): Current Balance:

Gaming Account	\$1,429.87	Gaming Account	\$ 1,429.87
Main Account	\$6,420.28	Main Account	\$11,148.03
Garden Account	\$1,991.00	Garden Account	\$ 5,028.49
Cash in Hand	\$ 28.20	Cash in Hand	\$ 28.20
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TOTAL	\$9,869.35	TOTAL	\$17,634.59

Deposits and Withdrawals Since Last Meeting:

Gaming Account

Starting Balance \$1,429.87

Current Balance \$1,429.87

Main Account

Starting Balance \$6,420.28

September 10 APE Meeting Child-Minding: M. Laura - \$ 50.00

September 13 Co-Op Membership: Karli Reimbursed - \$ 10.00

*September 17 Bottle depot account (Claudia) +\$2,000.00

*September 17 Spring Plant Fundraiser (Vanessa) +\$ 500.00

September 26 Elizabeth's bench – last year (Vanessa) +\$ 100.00

*September 26 Plant Fundraiser – last year (Vanessa) +\$ 630.66

*September 26 Paradise Island Cheese Fundraiser (Karli) +\$1,045.50

September 27 Miscellaneous Recovered Funds 2023-24 +\$ 511.59

Current Balance \$11,148.03

***Less Allocated Funds for Quebec Trip \$ 4,176.16**

Remaining Balance for Main Account \$ 6,971.87

Garden Account

Starting Balance \$1,991.00

September 12 Colyn's purchase: Karli reimbursed -\$ 106.78

September 12 Share Kare Purchase: Karli reimbursed -\$ 85.17

September 13 Walmart Grant (Karli) +\$1,000.00

September 15 Family Farm Day Sales (Karli) +\$ 225.50

- Waiting on \$50 ACRD Cheque

September 22	Cut your own Bouquet Fundraiser (Karli)	+\$ 463.59
September 24	West Coast Seeds – donation shipping	-\$ 10.00
September 25	Donation: Leann Graitson	+\$ 150.00
September 26	Paradise Island Cheese Fundraiser (Karli)	+\$1,674.50
September 26	Garden Supplies - Joanne Jordans	-\$ 274.15

Current Balance **\$ 5,028.49**

Cash in Hand

Starting Balance \$ 28.20

Current Balance **\$ 28.20**

TOTAL FUNDS (ALL ACCOUNTS): **\$17,634.59**

News:

- Our **Co-Op** number is **19200**. Fiscal year is November-November. Cheques are sent to members in May/June
- Our express **bottle depot** account number is the school's phone number: **250-723-5614**
- If someone would like to organize a tag day, they can directly approach the business to receive permission (no longer goes through the city) - Our tag days in 2018/19 raised \$869, \$2,266, and \$1,285
- Vanessa is going to organize a hot lunch in October (Pita Pit)
- Executive is working on Constitution and Bylaws so that we can apply for the gaming grant

Grant/Donation Applications:

- Received a West Coast Seeds seed donation (had to pay \$10 for shipping)
- Have applied for \$1,500 WWF Go Wild Grant (Garden)
- Have applied for \$500, \$1000, and \$3000 Dig In! Seed Grants (Garden)
- Have applied for \$1000 Farm Credit Canada Community Funding (Garden)
- Have applied for \$1000 Canadian Tire Community Investment & Sponsorship
- Have applied to participate in Spuds in Tubs, Planting a Promise (daffodils) - denied: program full
- Will apply for last year's gaming grant - \$2000 (Can apply late, but "highly unlikely late applications will be considered, but subject to overall availability of funding at Government's fiscal year end - March 31).

5. Fundraisers and plan for the year

Tag Day (organized by Stephanie A. Coulson), Purdys, Pita Pit and Christmas wreaths (organized by Vanessa Gagnon)

6. Quebec trip. How much do we need? And the logistics?

Money required for the Quebec trip (this is an estimate based on the last trip back in 2022)

APE has agreed to pay **\$7500 up to \$8000** towards the Quebec trip. Currently, the APE account has a total of **\$4,176.16 towards the Quebec trip**. The remaining balance of \$3,323.84 is needed to cover the cost of the trip; this can be obtained as follows:

1st: Can be raised by the parents from grade 6/7 (kids that have confirmed their participation)

2nd Can be paid directly with the \$250. Parents should be paying a total of **\$632.28** per child (\$250 + \$382.38) to cover the cost of the trip.

Logistics:

Experiences Canada is covering part of the cost of the trip. Parents won't be allowed on the trip due to the principle of this exchange. Please approach the principal Marie Pascal for a detailed explanation of the exchange.

OTHER INFORMATION

From the last meeting:

- Jericho Church is committed to fix the drainage issue on the ground around the playground this summer. They will dig and connect a drainage system to avoid the mud & puddles.
- Tag Day organized by grade 6/7 kids
- APE executives will overwrite the bylaws for grant applications, this will be sent to the parents.
- School clothing (hoodies/caps) by Stephanie B. Coulson for more details about the cost
- Square option for payments.

