

**Jessie Wowk Elementary School
PAC Meeting Minutes**

Monday, January 12, 2026, 5:30pm
In person @ Wowk library

Meeting called to order: 5:35pm

In attendance: April, Karen, Michelle, Arnold, Mabel, Victoria, Candy, Joy, Charles

1. Land Acknowledgment (April)

- school community has been exploring CARES (caring for self, place, land and others)

2. Administrator Report (April)

- Gratitude to PAC for sponsoring the Will's Jam song writing program, will share the songs at future assemblies
- Gratitude for a successful and fun Winter Celebration event
- School story update: Literacy focus (increase and deepening understanding), new posts on school website
- Spirit wear: proceeds will go towards repainting the school wall with new logo, selection of styles and colours available, parents will place order online and vendor will organise orders, will take feedback for next year
- Basketball: season began, partnered with McKinney for girls team due to low numbers
- Updated parent volunteers drivers: new requirement for criminal record check, easy to access QR available for parents to submit application

3. PAC budget (Michelle)

- General Account \$35807.63, Playground Investment Account Balance \$25129.91
- Gaming account spent (\$623 remaining)

4. Playground project

- Pledge form (digital and hard copy available) – encourage Wowk families to reach out to wider community/corporations with pledge form, instructions on the pledge form
 - i. Tax receipt will be sent directly to donor
 - ii. Suggestion to add a QR code that leads to donation link for easy access
 - iii. Email with links and detailed instruction will follow.
- Students' top three choices will be shared
- Old playground - City of Richmond timeline is 2027 renovation

5. Hot Lunch Program

- Running well, except one incident of Subway label mix up, PAC ordered pizza for students who did not have a lunch
- April will continue to remind families to bring own cutlery
- New items on the Chinese food menu to reflect ordering history

6. Special events and fundraising

- Lunar new year celebration:

- i. games or craft (paper cutting, calligraphy) and candy making
 - ii. fortune cookies for all students
 - iii. hired a candy artist (\$400) to teach students to make candy
- Movie nights (Arnold and April will determine dates.)
 - Walkathon (May)
 - Sports Day (June)

Meeting adjourned: 6:34pm

Next meeting: Monday, February 2, 2026, 5:30pm