

COUNCIL AGENDA REPORT

DATE:	April 20, 2017	COUNCIL MEETING DATE:	May 15, 2017
DEPARTMENT:	Finance		
SUBJECT:	Little Prairie Elementary School PAC request		

PURPOSE:

To request Council's decision on financial support for playground equipment replacement.

SUMMARY/BACKGROUND:

Attached is a letter received from the Little Prairie Elementary School PAC requesting a donation toward the replacement of playground equipment located at the school.



School playgrounds have traditionally been used by members of the community and not just the students of the school where it is located.

RECOMMENDATION(S):

THAT the report be received for information;

THAT Council authorize the donation of \$250.00 to the Little Prairie Elementary School PAC to be used toward the purchase of playground equipment;

THAT Council authorize the donation of \$XXXXXX to the Little Prairie Elementary School PAC to be used toward the purchase of playground equipment;

<p>SUBMITTED BY:</p>  <hr/> <p>Department Head</p>	<p>REVIEWED AND APPROVED FOR SUBMISSION TO COUNCIL BY:</p>  <hr/> <p>Chief Administrative Officer</p>
----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------	--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------

Little Prairie Elementary School PAC

Box 1600, Chetwynd, BC VoC 1J0 | 2507881924 |

March 22, 2017

Doug Fleming
Chief Administration Officer
District of Chetwynd
Box 757
Chetwynd, BC VoC 1J0



**Dear Doug Fleming
Chief Administration Officer:**

As you may already know, the Little Prairie Elementary School PAC is actively fundraising to replace two of the major structures on the playground at our school that have reached their end of life. These structures are over 20 years old and no longer meet CSA requirements for playground equipment, and as they are deemed unrepairable, will be removed with nothing put in their place without our efforts. These pieces of equipment are very expensive, in the range of \$25,000-\$50,000 per structure and it falls on the school's individual Parent Advisory Committees to replace them.

Little Prairie Elementary School is in an area that is full of young families and the playground is used not only by our students but also by the community on a regular basis. We have worked very hard over the last couple years doing numerous fundraisers, including weekly hot lunch, ticket raffles, concessions and the upcoming Loonie Auction. We are finally getting close to reaching our first goal but we need some help to get there.

We are writing this letter to see if your business would be willing to provide a donation towards our playground. Any donations over \$100 written to School District #59 are eligible for a charitable donation receipt. Our goal is to have enough funds at the end of this year to purchase one major structure. Our hope is that we will be able to have the replacement equipment purchased before the existing structures are removed and we are left with an empty space where a playground once was.

We thank you very much for your continued support of our school, and if you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

Crystal Hillton
Treasurer – LP PAC
crystalbest@hotmail.com