

Date: 7 January 2025	Site: DLG Library	Start Time: 6:00	PM
Chair: Ashley Hansen / Scally Chu	Recorder: Kathleen Pathak	End Time: 7:32	PM

Membership	Role	Attended
Ashley Hansen	Co-chair	Y
Scally Chu	Co-chair	Y
Herman Chan	Treasurer	Y
Kathleen Pathak	Co-Secretary	Y
Ajay Pathak	Co-secretary	Y
Shandelle Skaley	Former Co-chair	Y
Manninagh L'Abbé	Digital Communications Executive	Y
Jonathan Weresch	Principal (Non-voting member)	Y
Susan Worthington	Vice Principal (Non-voting member)	Y
Other members or participants	See sign-in sheet for names	
Next Meeting	4 February 2025	

***With deep gratitude and respect, we are honoured to be learning and unlearning on the ancestral and unceded lands of the xʷməθkʷəy̓əm/Musqueam, Skwxwú7mesh/Squamish Nation & səliłwətał /Tseil-Waututh Nation.***

### **Welcome And Introduction - (Ashley / Scally)**

- Roundtable introductions:
  - Scally Chu – PAC co-chair, daughter in grade 3
  - Ashley Hansen – PAC co-chair; daughter in grade 5
  - Herman Chan – PAC Treasurer; daughter in grade 2
  - Ajay Pathak - PAC co-secretary; daughter in grade 2
  - Kathleen Pathak – PAC co-secretary; daughter in grade 2
  - Manninagh L'Abbé – PAC Digital Communications Executive; three kids in the school
  - Shandelle Skaley – Former PAC executive; daughter in grade 7
  - Barbara Lee – Parent of a daughter in grade 2
- District PAC update:
- - Executive Update:
    - Last meeting there was mention of the disagreements between 2 executives on the DPAC. The two parties in question have stepped down from DPAC on their own.
  - DPAC Online Channels
    - Be advised that there are non-official DPAC channels online.
    - Please ensure you are joining the correct group.

- DPAC items underway
  - VSB plans to lease Fleming Elementary basketball court to a Developer. A petition to prevent this is being circulated for signature, should anyone want to sign.
  - Parents are being asked to raise >\$100,000 to cover cost overruns of various new, upgraded schools.
  - VSB is cutting district programs including special needs and choice programs without full consultation with parents and stakeholders.
- For more information, please go to the DPAC website.

### **Approval of October and December Meeting Minutes**

Unable to approve October meeting minutes again due to inability to achieve quorum. At this rate, PAC will never reach quorum to approve that month's minutes.

- Ajay made a motion to automatically approve minutes if a quorum is not met within two months of the meeting.
- Herman seconded the motion.
- Vote to approve the minutes – Approved.

December meeting minutes – Reviewed the minutes for all; positive feedback was provided by those in attendance around the basketball program.

- Manninagh made a motion to approve the December minutes.
- Ajay seconded the motion.
- Vote to approve the minutes – Approved.

### **Principal and Vice Principal Updates**

Principal Update – Jonathan Weresch

Vice Principal Update – Susan Worthington

- Playground: Results from survey regarding the large playground use plan were shared with the intermediate students prior to the winter break. Supervision aids have been notified. Now will discuss with the primary classes about how to play on the playground and by end of the month will be open to all kids again.
- The last week of school before the holidays was a lot of fun with the informal concert and the sing-along. Teachers and students had fun.
- The district is focusing this month and next month on equity and anti-oppression and looking at what we are doing to make sure everyone feels welcome in the school.
  - Student centred practice – is it what is best for the student, or for money or other ideas.
  - Anti-oppression in everything we do – all activities which are planned, are looked at for all 100% of children, not just the 80% of the “norm”.
  - Replace judgement with curiosity to understand.
  - Create belonging and not just thinking about it but also action.
- In the next month or two, there is a student learning survey – both for children and families – grades 4 and 7 that will be sent out for completion. The survey is anonymous and it asks questions about how the school is treating them and how they are being served by the school.. Similar questions are sent to the students, parents and teachers.. Submission deadline is May but we hope to get it done sooner rather than later.
- Chess club – would like to do this, and there is a bit of a hiccup with regard to sponsor availability. We may need to find another staff member to supervise the chess club should it be needed.

Q: Playground plaque – can we get it installed?

A: Yes. Mr. Weresch will put in a request for installation and once received, advice PAC. Then, PAC would like to give 1 month notice to donors for awareness of an event.

### Financial Update (Herman / Scally)

- Financial reports
  - General accounts – Mainly hot lunch payments moved in/out of the account and some movement for the glow dance party. Closing balance \$9,311 today.
  - Gaming account – One item was the membership fee and the other item paid was for pickle ball nets for the school.
- Funding requests:
  - Came in on the day of the last meeting; from the kindergarten pods; requesting three items – stepping stones (for more play options outside), basic baking supplies (to make playdough) and apple usbc digital av mode port adaptors (replace current adaptors which are no longer reliable) \$363.70 is the amount being requested.
    - No - Adaptors should come out of the school’s tech budget.
    - No - Discretionary funds could be used for the baking supplies since that is also curriculum use.
    - Further information required - There was a request from the SSA’s regarding the stones previously. Need to investigate if these are ones that can be shared between the SSA’s and the Kindergarten classes.
      - Shandelle makes a motion to approve the amount to purchase the budget of \$175 for two sets stepping stones with the caution that we are not doubling up on the request.
      - Herman seconded the motion.
      - Vote to approve the minutes – Approved.

### Fundraisers

Month	Event	Notes/Comments
	Variety grant program	<p>PAC trialled the program; They have now launched the full program and DLG has put together an application for the SSA’s / special education students specifically. Once DLG looked into the pricing plans for planning software and the needs of other items, did a full application of \$1,500 which means DLG has a fundraising goal for \$750.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Software (boardmaker) \$550-600 after taxes</li> <li>- Headphones</li> <li>- Weighted lap animals (10 of each)</li> </ul> <p>School is responsible to raise the funds to reach the \$750 goal if the application is approved.</p> <p>\$1,800 of weighted vests were purchased in the original program (by PAC). These were not approved by VSB and are now in our possession</p>

		<p>and not selling. Would like to get reimbursed from VSB on these vests. Can the OT's buy the directly?</p> <p>There is also an item missing that we all need to keep our eyes open for.</p> <p>Should PAC provide discretionary funds to the support workers?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- DLG provides to teachers and SSA's (match what the PAC provides).</li> <li>- There are currently 13 SSA's in DLG.</li> <li>- Suggest that we do one amount (\$ x 13 FTE SSA's) that is in one pot where it is spent as a group.</li> <li>- Classroom \$150, Resource \$75</li> <li>- Suggest an amount of \$25 this year for SSA's since they also have the rotary club grant of \$650 for item purchasing. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Kathleen made a motion to approve the budget of \$25/SSA (\$25 * 13 = \$325) as a discretionary fund.</li> <li>➤ Ashley seconded the motion.</li> <li>➤ Vote to approve the minutes – Approved.</li> </ul> </li> </ul> <p><b>*NOTE – need to reconsider and revisit Ms. Fong and Ms. Heap as full classroom teachers.</b></p> <p><b>- Resource teachers use more specific items which tend to cost more than what classroom teachers costs are – rebalance next year.</b></p> <p>How will the school raise \$750 for this fund? Maybe the flexible plastics money? Could put a funding request in for the PAC to vote on.</p>
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### Hot lunch program (Sally)

- February will be bringing in White Spot menu.
- Chatime bubble team – hoping to bring this in soon and how to schedule this.
  - Various items – juices and not tea, pearl or coconuts jelly; 30% sugar and less ice.
  - Buy 4 and get 1 free.
  - Individually labelled and distributed
  - Smaller size – Pricing to be determined,

## Events

Date	Event	Notes/Comments
17 January 2025 5-7:00 pm	Glow dance party Limit of 500 people	Wednesday is the final day for signing up. Grades 6-7 - a low uptake due to kids not wanting to have their parents there. Can have a Grade 6-7 dance area. Or allow groups of 5-6 with one parent. Should be a parent or guardian, not an older sibling.
23-24 January 2025	ETHOS lab STEAM workshop	From 9:15 – 10:15 is the primary workshop. Four students from DLG representing at an ETHOS event on 21 February 2025.
14 March 2025	In-class movie event	Last day of school before spring break. Snack pack fundraisers where classes raise funds to see which tier of snacks they will receive.
TBD – 6 June 2025	Multi-cultural day	Have an internal meeting with the executives prior to actioning anything. Scally will be out of town. We will need staff engagement / collaboration.
	Grad event	Putting together an event for graduation and will bring an update of potentially what the group may need.

Reminder: PAC meetings are the first Tuesday of each month.

- 2025: 7 January, 4 February, 11 March, 1 April, 6 May, 3 June (Annual General Meeting)

Please feel free to email the PAC at any time at: [Pac.dlg@gmail.com](mailto:Pac.dlg@gmail.com); <https://www.dlqpac.com/>

### Adjourn meeting

- Meeting adjourned at 7:32 PM