

Date: 5 November 2024	Site: DLG Library	Start Time: 6:00	PM
Chair: Ashley Hansen / Scally Chu	Recorder: Kathleen Pathak	End Time: 7:48	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
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	8 October 2024	

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

Welcome And Introduction - (Ashley / Scally)

- Advised all members that sign-in sheet is provided at front sign in of both PAC Committee members and all guests.
 - Shandelle Skaley – Daughter in grade 7; former PAC chair
 - Adaya Hoffman – Child in our school
 - Ashley Hansen – PAC co-chair; daughter in grade 5
 - Manninagh – 3 kids in the school
 - Kathleen Pathak – PAC co-secretary; daughter in grade 2
 - Herman – PAC Treasurer; daughter in grade 2
 - Scally – PAC co-chair, daughter in grade 3
 - Dinara – son in grade 1 with Ms Dancer
 - Ajay Pathak - PAC co-secretary; daughter in grade 2

New meeting format

- PAC meeting will focus on events and fundraising that affect the entire school.
- Addition of a second meeting directly following and outside of the PAC meeting where topics affecting specific groups of individuals or groups can be brought up. This will not be an official PAC meeting and minutes will not be taken.
- We print out meeting minutes for people to review in the past, going forward, we will have a quick review as a group and also provide an update on items from that meeting.

Q: Will the after meeting be after every meeting?

A: Only if a topic has been brought to the PAC group.

Q: Understanding communication chains and where to go with the concerns. Should people be bringing their concerns to the PAC or to the admin?

A: Let's put in a process around communication as a group.

DPAC update:

- Holding DPAC executive elections; putting forward 2 candidates:
 - Deborah Stern Silver
 - Celena Benndorf
- Every PAC gets to have one vote. There are two candidates for two different positions.
- We will host a vote for which candidate we would like to choose. Who chooses:
 - Deborah - Yes 5 (majority)
 - Celena - Yes 6 (majority)
- PAC co-chair will submit vote by 13 November 2024.

Approval of October Meeting Minutes – Postponed until next meeting

Principal and Vice Principal Updates

Principal Update – Jonathan Weresch

Vice Principal Update – Susan Worthington

- Part of reconciliation Senator Murray Sinclair passed away this week. He led the Truth and Reconciliation Commission.
- Volleyball has started and it is very popular. There are approximately five coaches and then teachers during their regular classes. It is a very social sport and can be continued on when they get older. Kids play it outside during recess as well.
- Going to be having “Free Kick” soccer skills program at the school on Thursday afternoons for girls and coaching will be free. Starting this week (7 November) for about a month or two.
 - Can this be a recruiting program for the grade 6/7 team in the fall?
- Had some issues with online behaviour with kids. We don't allow devices on their phones during school. There have been issues and staff and parents are concerned. Children need to stay safe from people they don't know. To that end:
 - Have had online safe training for grades 5-7, providing tools to stay safe online.
 - Have had specific training for Grade 6 students.
 - Would like to find a way/program to educate parents on their role in keeping their kids safe. We'll look into groups that are vetted and can provide a value add.
- FSA's are completed.
- Update on search for music teacher - the search continues; however, there is a teacher on staff right now that is working out well and has expressed interest in the posting.
- Last assembly went through the code of conduct, and it was “Be Kind to Others”.
- Discussed the “WITS” program: Walk Away, Ignore, Talk (it out) and Seek Help From an Adult. The aim is to use consistent acronyms throughout the school.
- Discussed racism and what it feels like (video of 12 years old in New York with mixed races and how it feels).
- Our approach to deal with racism is with education and with response to what has happened. For response, it helps for people to know that every time an act happens, we will stop it, separate the parties, name the act as racist, then move the attention the impacted individual and ensure they are alright. Once that person is supported, go to the alleged offender and then deal

with them. Make a report and log it and report it to the school board. Then support the school community and support the parents / families of both sides. Find out what the families need for support for the impacted family, and for education for the offending student / family. We also expect that, the older the children get, there is an expectation that their behaviour will get better. There is also progressive consequences / discipline as this is in the VSB code of conduct.

- There will be tools and education that is spread around to the whole school community through the newsletters.
- A bin will be dropped off in the front foyer for the flexible plastics recycling program and will be there for about approximately one month. At the end, it will be weighed, and the school will receive payment.
- The school will also look into setting up an account with the Return It bottle depot to allow people to direct their bottle refunds to the school.

Election of Digital Communications Executive

Last month this role for the PAC was discussed and Manninagh put her hand up. She has had six kids go through DLG (oldest 22, youngest in grade 2) and was previously on PAC. She works on digital pages. Happy to do it if it makes everyone's lives easier. Can streamline the webpage for people to submit to.

Show of hands for yes for Manninagh to be part of the Executive team – Yes (majority)

Financial Update (Herman / Scally)

- Financial updates
 - Main cash inflow was hot lunch and snack sales from Halloween event
 - Main cash out was also hot lunch and Halloween event.
 - Payment has been made to vendor for the playground plaque.
 - There are several cheques still outstanding
 - Closing balance = \$22,183.86
 - Gaming account – deposited in October \$8,480; expenditures were approved last meeting for whistles and soccer gear; closing balance = \$11,403.94
 - Halloween movie night; ~\$370 profit
 - Hot lunch – last week there was a mix up on the order (29 Oct) they made the wrong date order, and 15 children had no lunch, so vendor brought pizza. Owner provided compensation for not charging for that order at all (\$6.60 * 59 orders). October made ~\$865, but we will be refunding those 15 students for their hot lunches.
 - May replace Subway with other vendors – possibly White Spot Pirate Paks; Carino (like C'est Mon Café)
- BCCPAC membership
 - A registered non-profit charity; engage, empower, support parents / guardians of all students to support EDI. They want to provide support and education to others (ex: CASL regulations).
 - Provide parent education and resources
 - DPAC summit
 - Advocacy support for parents

- Charge \$100 membership (1 Sept – 31 Aug following year – and can use gaming grant membership) and have many resources for PAC as well as parents.
- Needs to be registered by 1 December, and Ashley happy to be the rep.
 - Ashley made a motion to pay the \$100 membership to BCCPAC.
 - Ajay seconded the motion.
 - Vote to approve the registration – Approved.
- Paper sharing – PAC buy their own paper and store at the school
 - Shandelle made a motion to purchase paper for the PAC of up to \$250/year.
 - Herman seconded the motion.
 - Vote to approve the purchase – Approved.
- Ethos Lab STEM performance
 - Last year they presented at the science fair. They are a registered charity who promote STEM in youth, with a focus on the underrepresented colour demographic, as these groups tend to be pushed out of this area. They are creating an environment of safe learning. They have offered to do a series of workshops to grades 4-7 (as they have summer camps - with full scholarships to some students).
 - Presentation by Ashley with all the details.
 - Ethos has quoted us \$2700 for four 90-minute workshops / sessions, and a free science magic show, and will be during school hours. It will be January / February which coincides with black history month.
 - Ashley made a motion to use the gaming grant to purchase these workshops at a cost of \$2,700.
 - Herman seconded the motion.
 - Vote to approve the expenditure – Approved.
- Split-Second basketball
 - Organization that does have a program outside of school.
 - Offered to come into the school for one week for \$300 and for all grades.
 - Ajay made a motion to pay the \$300 to bring in the Split-Second Basketball group.
 - Herman seconded the motion.
 - Vote to approve the expenditure – Approved.
- Soccer team sundae party
 - Already happened – end of the soccer season and wanted to boost the team moral and celebrate a great season.
 - Used the gaming grant to host the party.
 - If any other extracurricular committee / club and need to purchase items, can submit a request form to the PAC to help support the costs (from the gaming grant).

Holiday Fundraisers

Month	Event	Notes/Comments
November	ShopFunds holiday gift cards	Only taking forms online. Delivery for all will be 4 December 2024
	Purdy's holiday chocolate	Only taking forms online. Delivery for all will be 4 December 2024
	Mitchell's Soup Co.	Only taking forms online. Delivery for all will be 4 December 2024

Events

Date	Event	Notes/Comments
24 October 2024 @ 5:00 pm	Halloween Movie Night	It was great. Thought only 30 due to the orders, however a lot more families showed up and would guess ~150 people all together (good turn out). Got good feedback – liked the free admission. PAC had a lower profit, but greater outcome and engaging for the school community. Learned that children must be accompanied by their parents and must stay with their children through the whole event.

For any public performances of videos, an entertainment license is required. In school if it is curriculum related, it is not required. In the past the school paid the license, however, would like to discuss the option of the PAC subsidising and paying for half. Criterion or ACF are the two license companies and ACF allows the playing of Disney films.

Cost for a year with ACF was \$609.00.

- Kathleen made a motion to split the cost 50/50 with the school (\$304.50).
- Ajay seconded the motion.
- Vote to approve the cost split – Approved

20 December 2024	In-class Movie Day	PAC is offering the snacks for all the students for this movie day for free to the kids.
17 January 2024 5-7:00 pm (TBD)	Glow dance party	In the past (2019) hosted a glow dance party. It was very popular with loud music in the gym and glow sticks. Negative feedback was UV balloons being popped by the older kids, scaring the younger kids. Charging admission for students, which includes glow sticks. Hiring a DJ – Will make an appropriate playlist and two hours of playing. Blacklights – We can rent or we can purchase them and save / keep for future events. Purchase snacks – gummies, chips, etc. Allow for more purchases of additional glow items Pre-order food – pizza; hot dogs?.

- Ashley made a motion to spend up to \$2,000 for all items required for the glow party.
- Herman seconded the motion.
- Vote to approve the minutes – Approved.

Reminder: PAC meetings are the first Tuesday of each month

- 2024: December 3
- 2025: January 7, February 4, March 4, April 1, May 6, June 3 (Annual General Meeting)

Please feel free to email the PAC at any time at: Pac.dlg@gmail.com

Adjourn meeting

- Meeting adjourned at 7:48 PM