



**Agenda – Executive Meeting  
November 17, 4:30 pm**

**Location:** In Person – Room C207: Rockridge Secondary School

**Attending:**

Julie Stewart; Co-Chair (in person)  
Barb Mitchell; Co-Chair (virtual)  
Debra Hadden; Secretary (in person)  
Tatiana Krapotkina; Communications Coordinator (virtual)  
Teresa Corey; Treasurer (in person)  
Helen Hall; Scholarship Committee Rep  
Lisa Mingo; Member at Large (virtual)  
Dana Renaud; Member at Large (virtual)  
Kim Gould; Member at Large (in person)  
Sara Relling; Member at Large (in person)  
Kelly Richter; DPAC Rep (in person)  
Dr. Graham Jackson; Principal (in person)  
Ian Kennedy; Director of Instruction (West Vancouver Schools)

**Welcome & Call to Order:**

4:30pm

**PAC Business:**

Adoption of Agenda: Sara Relling approved & Diana Steele seconded  
Adoption of Minutes: Kim Gould approved & Sophie Ukani seconded

Chair's Report:

4:35pm

Julie Stewart said the PAC is in the process of securing speakers for the meetings: Ian Kennedy, Director of Instruction, is speaking tonight. Teresa Corey and Dana Renaud have helped to secure speakers for January & February meetings.

Treasurer's Report:

Teresa Corey said the Gaming grant is approximately \$20K each year and needs to be spent in 3 years so we have \$63K in the bank and need to spend at least 20K of that (2018-2019 school year grant) this year. We did not spend much last year so we have lots to spend.

PAC is waiting for teachers to submit their wish lists. We will buy what we can out of Gaming Account first and use the General Account for anything that is not eligible under gaming.

**Committee and Project Reports:**

4:45pm

Outdoor Classroom:

Diana Steele said they are waiting to get a final estimate for the outdoor classroom structure which now has to be constructed of steel due to the fire concerns raised by the SD45. The PAC needs to assess whether the structure is still feasible. Waiting for facilities to approve the contract in order to get Mark Ritchie engaged. Dave Henning is trying to connect with Mark Ritchie to arrange a meeting with the District (Principal Dr. Graham Jackson will also attend).

#### DPAC Report:

Kelly Richter provided a summary of the West Vancouver DPAC General Meeting held Wednesday, November 3, 2021. Link to DPAC [Minutes](#):

#### Committee Reports

Finance & Facilities – Kelly Richter

- In F&F Secretary Treasurer Julie Leiterman reviewed the Long Range Facilities Plan document, which is a snapshot in time of all WVS facilities, their condition and the impact of changes in the delivery of education on the facilities. Within our district, the focus is on maintaining the existing structures; the document is on the website and posted in the minutes. [Long Range Facilities Report](#).

Human Resources – Anya Yashkina

- New District Principal of Inclusive Education hired – Corrine Kinnon. She will start January 1, 2022.

Inclusion & Diversity – Kyra Williams Smiljanic (read by Kelly Richter)

- First meeting for this committee will take place in late November, to brainstorm topic discussions and what programming will be offered this year. More to follow; if you are interested in getting involved with this team, contact [dpac@wvschools.ca](mailto:dpac@wvschools.ca) and we'll put you in touch.

#### Board of Education Trustee's Report – Carolyn Broady

- We are entering a bargaining year for teachers and support staff. Current contract expires end of June 2022. Local bargaining with teachers is beginning which includes anything not related to money. Provincial bargaining is expected to begin early Spring.
- Board met with West Van's MP Patrick Weiler last week; discussions included International Students and streamlining their process and the need for a strategy to tackle the opioid crisis as a national emergency; this crisis has impacted both West Van citizens and people around the province.
- Graduation activities during Covid will be examined as the situation unfolds. WVD working through this; all venues are being held for spring for convocations and grad banquets with the hopes they can proceed but patience is requested during these changing Covid times. Working with local health officers, superintendents through the region, trying to find solutions. Aware that planning is underway with grad committees.
- Consultation regarding a potential vaccine policy for WV school staff has begun. This is primarily a labour relations issue and as such the board will be meeting in camera (in private), so you will not be hearing much as the process unfolds.
- Board is happy to receive any communications throughout the process, please feel free to mail or email in your views which will be considered.

#### Superintendent's Report – Chris Kennedy

- Vaccine passports & implications for schools. Provincial health gathering orders (late October) clarified that vaccine passports do not apply to school events, anywhere. Have been challenged however as venues insist that they need anyone 12+ to show passports. Last week's clarification helps, still working through with venues. Challenging issue. Guidance from MoE is not to put students into a position where they need to show a passport, some flexibility around extra curriculars. This is the reason why there have been some limitations around school trips, but that is opening up. Overnight field trips being worked on now, patience needed as this is being worked through. More work needed on planning with venues, how to deal with positive Covid cases arising on a trip.

Guest Speakers – WVPD Chief Constable John Lo and Cst. Nicole Braithwaite

- Presenting on WVPD Update, community policing and school liaison program

**Principal's Report:**

4:50pm

Dr. Graham Jackson thanked everyone for attending.

- Noted that there has been complexity with the "Build Back Better" plan
- Noted that we are working together to see how we manage going forward: endemic; learning gaps
- Encouraged everyone to communicate
- X-block: X-block communication will be sent to parents of grade 8/9. Spreadsheet of x-block options will be available. QR codes will allow students to check in and there will be a number of options to encourage participation
- Posed question for the community: we would like to create some partnerships and establish connections with embroidery / hockey equipment suppliers in order to mutually support our community. For example, we are sourcing t-shirts for Rockridge staff – would be better if we could source from a local supplier
- Extended a thank you to families who have volunteered for coaching.
- Addressed question on vaccine passports: complexity is that everyone is not vaccinated. SD45 is trying to find a resolution that is long term. There exists a formal process for travel. If there is a demand for vaccine passports, it will come to the principal's office. Vaccine passports could exclude some kids, and provide some an "out" from participating in activities. If the demand is coming from outside of our organization, then they will try to find a way to work around it, and evaluate it on a case-by-case study.

**Guest Speaker:**

5:05pm

Ian Kennedy, Director of Instruction presented the "Framework for Enhanced Student Learning"

[Link to PPT here](#)

Q&A:

*Q. How will this be implemented?*

A. There will be an assessment of the mental health framework / we will work with indigenous enhancement agreement: district wide.

*Q. How do we do this here in this context?*

A. This will be implemented differently in each school.

Q. *Is this a three-year cycle?*

A. District is adjusting and adapting as we go along – we are also trying to align it with strategic plan. Schools that are just starting the process – asking them to focus more on the FESL process.

Q. *What is the Rockridge FESL?*

A. We are working on a sense of belonging / what does it mean to be a Raven?

Q. *What are the measures considered for international students?*

A. School FESL and District FESL will be applied to all students. We do have very specific measures. 126 students identifying as indigenous ancestry (17 students at Rockridge)

Q. *Was stakeholder input considered?*

A. We started with the data. We all saw the same trend. We need to get a student perspective – stakeholder input on sense of belonging and how grade 10s have more of a sense of belonging. Homeroom / X-block was brought up by a parent regarding a possible venue for discussing a sense of belonging.

### **New Business**

5:30pm

Julie Stewart reviewed New Business Items:

Rockridge needs volunteers for Coaching

Gala: Tentatively set for Feb 25<sup>th</sup> (Kim Gould and Sara Relling are leading)

“Cookies for Teachers” before Winter Break to boost morale (Lisa, Teresa, Kim, Sara, Julie) will be organized, coordinated with a “Card Making” venue (handwritten cards distributed to the teachers)

Group was asked about timing of the PAC meetings (decided it would be 5pm on Wednesdays, and a combination of in-person and virtual attendance). Note: the school has since asked us to change the time to 5.30pm. Please make a note of this in your calendars.

### **Upcoming Meeting and Events**

5:35pm

Next PAC meeting will be Wednesday, January 19<sup>th</sup>, 5:30 pm.

**Meeting Adjourned: 5:40pm**