

PAC Meeting Minutes

Present:

Judy Duncan
Danielle Katerberg
Cora MacDonald
Heather Thomas
Kathi Dilworth
Helen Pankratz
Tanja Imhoff
Christina Argyros

1. Welcome and Call to Order

- Motion to adopt agenda: Tanja Imhoff and Kathi Dilworth
- Motion to adopt October Minutes: Tanja Imhoff and Christina Argyros

2. Chair's Report

Thank You's

- Thank you to Tanja Imhoff and our hospitality team for providing treats.
- Thank you to our Halloween team: Cora MacDonald, Denise Nosella and Leslie Thomas, along with the support of many parent volunteers. The kids all enjoyed the activities.
- Thank you to all who contributed bags of used clothing for the Canadian Diabetes Clothesline Program.
- Thank you to Ziba Bozorgzadeh for co-ordinating West Bay Spirit Wear. Orders are being sorted and will be ready soon.
- Thank you to the kitchen committee (Brenda Tilk, Heather Fraser, Kathi Dilworth) for cleaning out the school kitchen. If you have any comments or suggestions, please email us westbaypac@gmail.com

Holiday Fundraisers:

- Poinsettia and Purdy's orders will be open online until November 25th.
- Poinsettias can be ordered at:
 - https://westbayelementary.growingsmilesfundraising.com/home

- Purdy's chocolates can be ordered at:
 - https://www.purdysgpp.com/login.aspx?returnurl=%2fjoinagroup.aspx%3fc%3d32662

Holiday Outreach

Thank you to Sara Relling who is making arrangements for Christmas Hampers again this
year. Grocery gift cards are always needed. Please stay tuned as more information will be
available.

Community

- Geoff Jopson, committee member of West Vancouver Place for Sport will speak next month regarding the plans of a new track at West Vancouver Secondary School. The new track will have 6 lanes, and an all season field. More info at www.wvpfs.org
- By election in West Vancouver on November 19 for a councillor. More information can be found at the community website http://westvancan.ca/

Upcoming Events

- Parent's Guide for Playground Conflict Resolution and Friendship Concerns, with Sharon Selby - Wednesday November 9th, 7pm and Montroyal School Gym (5310 Sonora Drive, North Vancouver).
- There will be a Fentanyl Forum for Parents and Youth, Wednesday, November 23rd from 6:30-8:30pm, at Centennial Theatre, 2300 Lonsdale. Entrance to this event is free, but preregistration is required.
- Parent Education Evening on Inquiry at West Bay on Thursday, November 24th.
- Stan Kutcher, Youth Mental Health at the Kay Meek Centre: December 7th, at 7pm. Free event but registration required.
- Decorations Day is December 9th. Parent volunteers needed to supply treats.
- Next PAC Meeting is December 13th at 6:30pm. There will be a presentation from Geoff Jopson.

3. Principal's Report

Thank You's

- Thank you to the parents who organized Halloween activities for our primary students (Cora MacDonald, Denise Nosella, Kim Gould, Leslie Thomas and many others).
- Thank you to the volunteers who are on the Traffic Committee who are monitoring the crosswalk and keeping our children safe (Terron Falk, Tanja Imhoff and Sara Farhangi)
- Thank you to the parents for supporting the Clothing Drive 33 bags were collected for the Canadian Diabetes Clothesline Program.
- Thank you to parents for a smooth Emergency Student Release Drill on October 20th.
- Thank you to the parents who will be providing treats for "Decorations Day" on December 9th.

Learning

Technology:

- 3D Printer has been replaced due to a damaged belt.
- The Hour of Code will be the week of December 5th, which many classes will be participating in.

Learning Conferences:

- Hopefully the online system made it easier for parents to sign up. It was a great opportunity to report on student progress and have the child involved in reflecting and setting goals.
- All parents should have received and returned consent forms for FreshGrade.
- At We Day there were 14 students who attended as well as parents and Mr. Darling.
- Teachers participated in a variety of learning opportunities on October 21st which was a Provincial Pro D Day.
- November 14th is a Ministry day for teachers to work on new curriculum implementation.

Parent Sessions:

- October 13th Communicating Student Learning (report cards, Learning Conferences, Fresh Grade). It was a good turnout and conversation.
- Inquiry evening hosted by IB Coordinators Janet Hicks and Morikke Espenhain slated for November 24th, 5:00 - 6:30pm.
- Photography Display December 1st at 6:00pm by the Grade 4's (Misty Paterson, Isaac Vanderhorst)
- Fentanyl Forum November 23rd 6:30 8:30pm at Centennial Theatre

Sports

- Basketball teams undefeated at 3-0. Final tournaments November 22nd (Girls) and November 23rd (Boys) at WVSS.
- Rugby: Exposure lessons for Grade 4-7's were held in P.E. classes; after school club will be
 offered in the spring.
- WVSS vs Rockridge in North Shore Bantam Boys' Rugby Final (WVSS went on to win the V & D championship); many West Bay boys involved in teams at both sites.
- Triple Ball (Volleyball) will start in the new year for Grade 7's (inter-school competitions).

Remembrance Day

- Parents welcome to attend service. It starts at 11:15 and is facilitated by the Grade 7's.
- Special guests will include Veteran Steve Cochrane, Deputy Superintendent Dave Eberwein and family members who served in the military (Mrs. McGrath's grandfather and Mrs. Hunt's son).

Traffic Safety

- The district has been advised of our concerns. Dave Eberwein sent out a letter.
- By-Law officers will have a presence over the next few weeks.
- There will be more monitoring in the upper lot at 3:00.

4. Treasurer's Report

No new business to report.

Bank Balances as of 4 November 2016:

RBC General Account \$176 649.53 RBC Gaming Account \$7985-59

District Trust Account \$49 868-02 (as @ 30 September 2016)

5. District Parent Advisory Council Report

 New sport track at West Vancouver Secondary School. Looking for donations from all schools.

Traffic & Safety

- W.V. reevaluating policy of speed bumps at cross walks.
- · Terron (Rep) will look at paid crossing guards.

Chris Kennedy

- Next month will have data on enrolment.
- New curriculum & reporting some good feedback. gr 4-7 look a lot different
- Posted West Bay VP position

Chief Constable Len Goerke

- WVPD 79 police, 18 civilians, & 75 volunteers
- Population of West Vancouver is 47,000
- Budget \$16.2 million
- 14,300 call to police last year. 1 in 5 calls are related to mental health. Seniors could have drove up the numbers.
- Crime rate climbing up since 2014 mostly property crime. 80% of those don't live here in W.V.
- Generally don't have big violent problems at schools. It's usually instagram, bullying, social media & mental illness.
- 80% of shoplifting are youth

6. Questions/ Comments

- The Hot Lunch team invited feedback on our new pizza vendor this term. They may do a survey before the next term to see which pizza vendor is preferred among students.
- A question was raised regarding the bathrooms at school that now have a sign that states 'for student use only'. School staff felt uncomfortable with adult visitors to the school going in to the bathrooms, so they are asked to use the bathroom located in the gym.

7. Meeting Adjourned at 9:45am