



PAC Meeting Minutes December 13, 2016, 6:30pm

Present:

Heather Thomas
Karen McDonald
Ziba Bozorgzadeh
Amir Alavi

Peter Chu
Helen Hall
Tanja Imhoff
Christina Argyros

Cora MacDonald
Danielle Katerberg
Judy Duncan
Helen Pankratz

Special Guests: Geoff Jopson and Jo-Ann Wood

1. Welcome and Call to Order

- Motion to adopt agenda: Karen McDonald and Christina Argyros
- Motion to adopt November Minutes: Cora MacDonald and Helen Pankratz

2. Chair's Report - Danielle Katerberg

Thank You's:

- Sara Relling for organizing our Christmas Hampers, it was a great success.
- Denise Nosella for coordinating our class moms and gifts for all of our non-enrolling staff.
- Ziba Bozorgzadeh for all of the Spirit Wear orders this year.
- Julia Baikalova and April Wang for coordinating Lost and Found.
- Jackie Grad for coordinating the Poinsettias fundraiser again this year.
- Heather Thomas for coordinating the Purdy's fundraiser.
- Judy for all that she does for West Bay.
- Parents who brought cookies for Decorations Day. Also for supporting Special Projects at West Bay. This month the grade 4's displayed their photography and poetry. The grade 7's had a guest artist visit their class to assist in an art project. Thank you to the parents who are making a difference with traffic congestion.

Upcoming Events

- Pink shirts for sale for Pink Shirt Day (\$7.55 each)
- Jesse Miller - Social Media awareness parent evening on Jan 26
- Bingo Nights: Jan 31 & Feb 1
- Next PAC meeting: January 17 - Andy Lee will talk about technology at West Bay.
- Family Dance: we do not have anyone to organize this event this year. If you are interested please let us know.
- Fun Run May 25
 - Every two years we have a Fun Run fundraiser. The proceeds from our fun run will have an enormous impact on what our budget for next year will look like.
- RBC Child Run: June 4 - Thank you to Ziba Bozorgzadeh for forming our West Bay Wolves team.

3. Principal's Report - Judy Duncan

Thank You's:

- Thank you for the decorations day goodies.
- Thank you to Sara Relling and her team for the Westview Hampers.
- Thank you to Heather Thomas and Danielle Katerberg for the Purdy's Fundraiser. Thank you to Jackie Grad for Poinsettias Fundraiser.
- Thank you for the PAC support: Grade 7 Art, Grade 7 Dance, and Grade 4 Photography/Poetry event in liaison with Isaac Vanderhorst from the West Vancouver Museum.
- Thank you to the parents for support with Unity and Diversity Award on November 30th.

Unity in Diversity

- The display table in the lobby was nicely set up showcasing our school.
- Thank you to Nastaran Safarzadeh and Julia Zhu-Jarvis for representing parents who organized and facilitated cultural events.
- Teachers Laine Anderson and Jessica Eguia for work on Aboriginal Education on the website.
- Thank you to Cassidy and Zoie for student perspective.
- It was a meaningful event for all those in attendance. Our school received a certificate for being nominated .

Music

- Sing Project - Choirs from all schools met at WVSS on November 28. There was a video taken and will be on the District website.
- Series 45 - Grades 4 - 7 on November 22
- Final Singalong on December 16th.
- Primary Musical, *E-I-E-I OOPS* will be on February 23 at 2:00pm and 6:30pm.

- Parent Sessions Inquiry Night on November 24
- Grade 4 Photography/Poetry Event on December 1
- Grade 5 Garage Sale this Thursday at 2:00

Basketball

- Both girls and boys were successful in the tournaments on November 22 and 23.
- Staff vs Students game was fun, Custodians and Mr. Kennedy played for the staff.

Traffic

- We continue to explore options, including a 2:55 dismissal for the Kindergarten students in an effort to clear the parking lot.
- Looking at both parking lots to see if reconfiguring would result in more spaces.
- There was a map included in the bulletin that outlined areas for parking and drop off.
- Wade Hickey from Facilities will attend January School Traffic Safety Committee at the District level with our requests:
 1. Extra diagonal parking on Benbow.
 2. Raised crosswalks/flashing lights at crosswalk.
 3. Trimming of bushes on Westmount Place to be able to see "no parking" signs.

Implications of Supreme Court Ruling

- The issue is at the provincial level between government and the BCTF.
- Early indications are that the initial meetings have been positive.

- Will result in additional resources in classrooms, perhaps during the school year but more likely next fall.
- It is a negotiation - updating language from 2002.
- We will have to wait and see how it plays out.

January Dates - Safety Focus

- Children of the street, grade 6 and 7 - January 18
- Jesse Miller - Grades 2 - 7 January 26 evening
- Lockdown Drill - January 24

4. Treasurer's Report - Christina Argyros

- Poinsettias fundraiser raised approximately \$583
- Purdy's Fundraiser raised approximately \$500

5. District Parent Advisory Council Report

- DPAC's Annual Parent Ed evening to be held on May 2nd at the Kay Meek
- Carolyn Broady, School Board Chair reported:
 - A new Hub for youth mental health will be opening on Esplanade in the Spring
 - Supreme Court Ruling is good news for kids. Our District's needs aren't as great as others, due in part to additional funding (ex. international student enrolment). Talks are going well, but it will take time before we see many changes.
- Chris Kennedy, Superintendent reported:
 - Dr. Stan Kutcher's message - all stress isn't bad. Hoping to have Dr. Kutcher do more work with our district in the future. Lots of great resources online: teenmentalhealth.org
- Communicating Student Learning is a focus this year.
- Mr. Kennedy provided a detailed report on enrolment in the District.

6. Special Guests - Geoff Jopson and Jo-Ann Wood ***West Vancouver Place for Sport***

- Rebuilding the track and field at West Vancouver Secondary School as a valuable asset for the entire West Vancouver Community
- Why is this project so important?
 - The existing facility is 70 years old.
 - The track was last refurbished in 1996.
 - West Vancouver is lagging behind other communities.
 - The Place for Sport will be the only official competitive track on the whole sea to sky corridor.
- Need to raise CAD \$5.6M. We have \$1M committed to date.
- There will be a donor wall, which will give schools and families an opportunity to have their name on a maple leaf.
- A facility for: Track and Field, Turf Field, Community and Events and Shows.
- More info at www.wvpfs.org

7. Adjourn 7:45