



**West Bay PAC Meeting Minutes-9:15am, Oct 15, 2021, Zoom Virtual Meeting**

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**Welcome and Call to Order:**

Minutes of September PAC Meeting: Adopted by Roxana Pistol and Kelly Chesko

Agenda for October PAC Meeting: Adopted by Candace Montgomery and Kelly Chesko

**1. Chair's Report: Tanja Imhoff**

- a. **World Teachers Day:** Thanks to Dani Renouf who picked up the delicious treats. The staff and teachers really appreciated the gesture that they were so well loved and acknowledged.
- b. **Music Bingo Night – Oct 28** – First social community event in two years. It's a music based interactive event. There will be dance and costume contests as well. There will also be trivia and prizes involved. Please get the word out so more will participate
- c. **Spirit Wear** – Want to thank all parents that participated. Over 509 items were sold. They will be delivered in 2 weeks
- d. **Apple Fundraiser** – Thanks for everyone's incredible patience for the delay due to trucking company issue – apple quality is excellent, per parents – please order more apples for second session – different trucking company will be used
- e. **Meal boxes** – Fundraiser. Offered by Presto, one of our hot lunch vendors. Please order through Munch a Lunch – variety of meal boxes available
- f. **Caramel Apple Class** this afternoon at 4pm on Zoom (Tanja to lead) – please email Tanja for recipe and link
- g. **Purdy's and Poinsettias** – Organized by Kelly and Roxana (Christmas time). More info will come
- h. **Holiday Hampers** – We have traditionally sponsored a number of years for Westview Elementary in North Vancouver. Typically, each class gets a family to sponsor – Ms Espenhain, students, and parent volunteers to organize
- i. **Parental Feedback for DPAC Letter** (Ministry of Health, Education, and PHSA) – Motions put forward at DPAC – enhancement of contact tracing, school notifications, rapid nPCR testing – Letter sent to Ministry on Oct 8, 2021 to put priority on these matters

- j. **Volunteers wanted** - Ms Ross is looking for volunteers in garden to put garden to rest over the winter – next week, parent volunteers needed (2) for 1 hour after school to compost. A few gr 6 parents already volunteered but still looking for more.

## **2. Principal's Report: Kim Grimwood**

### **a. Sporting Events**

- i. Successful cross country season. Over 60 students on team. One gr 7 won each of the 3 meets.
- ii. Volleyball season to start (no parent spectators at this time)

### **b. Education Events**

- i. Saleema Noon session very successful - virtual events for parents and children. Up to 41 parents were on the call at one point. Kids were enraptured by her. Hope to have her back in two years.
- ii. IB (Beginner) Parent Night – for new parents (1 hour) – evening Zoom event – top 5 tips to support your student - Oct 27 at 6:30pm
- iii. Parent Evening Nov 2 – Maureen Lee (District Principle for Student Support Services) and Kim Grimwood – Anxiety Workshop – about 1 hr. Its relevant for both adults and children during this world of COVID

### **c. Early Student Release Drill**

- i. October 21 (every other year) –mandated to do this drill with parent involvement. We encourage parents to participate by coming between 2 and 2:40om. Please refer to separate email the for details.

### **d. Halloween at West Bay**

- i. please do not send masks, and weapons
- ii. each class will have their own events

### **e. Flu Vaccine Clinic for West Bay Staff**

- i. Maryam Tavassoli (parent) organized a flu clinic at the school –Thank you!
- ii. Grade 6/7 – COVID and other vaccination boosters are organized by School RN
- iii. Please book your shots through pharmacy and doctor's office

### **f. Soap For Hope**

- i. please look out for this student initiative in the ebulletin

### **g. Mask Mandate**

- i. going very well thus far

### **h. Framework to Enhance Student Learning [FESL] (School Goal)**

- i. Ministry requirement for school and school district
  1. 3-year cycle
  2. data driven and measurable – sometimes challenging in education
  3. consultation with parents and families
- ii. West Bay Focuses on development of core competencies of social development and responsibility in these facets:

1. Building Relationships
2. Contributing to Community
3. Resolving Problems
4. Valuing Diversity

iii. Student Learning Survey with 5 questions for grades 4 and 7

<b>HOW MANY ADULTS AT YOUR SCHOOL CARE ABOUT YOU?</b>	% Students reporting two or more:		
		Grade 4.	grade 7.
	2017/18	76	75
	2018/19	92	81
	2019/20	86	80
	2020/21	79	77
★			
<b>WHEN YOU MAKE A CHOICE, DO YOU THINK ABOUT HOW IT MIGHT AFFECT OTHERS?</b>	% Students reporting "Many times" or "All of the Times":		
		Grade 4.	grade 7.
	2017/18	65	67
	2018/19	66	58
	2019/20	65	74
	2020/21	42	60
★			
<b>AT SCHOOL, DO YOU RESPECT PEOPLE WHO ARE DIFFERENT FROM YOU?</b>	% Students reporting many times or all of the time:		
		Grade 4.	grade 7.
	2017/18	n/a	48
	2018/19	n/a	49
	2019/20	n/a	48
	2020/21	n/a	41
★			
<b>AT SCHOOL, I AM LEARNING HOW TO SOLVE PROBLEMS IN PEACEFUL WAYS.</b>	% Students reporting agree or strongly agree:		
		Grade 4.	grade 7.
	2017/18	67	61
	2018/19	67	57
	2019/20	58	64
	2020/21	56	74
★			
<b>I LIKE THE SOCIAL ASPECTS OF MY SCHOOL.</b>	% Students reporting agree or strongly agree:		
		Grade 4.	grade 7.
	2017/18	74	79
	2018/19	78	65
	2019/20	73	65
	2020/21	77	54
★			

- iv. 95-6% of the students perform well academically, so that's why we want to focus on relationships
- v. 79% students in grade 4 believes 2 or more adults care about them. Even though these are high numbers, we would like to get them higher.
- vi. Another area we would like to see higher is respecting those who are different than you.
- vii. We also needed to take into account that the challenges of COVID has made building relationships tougher, hence the downward trend in 2020.
- viii. There is already a plan in place to teach empathy and social skills k to 5.
- ix. there are limitations in data collection and interpretation (looking for growth between grade 4 to 7)
- x. benefit is that we capture student voice

### 3. Treasurer's Report: Heather Chan

- a. Our gaming grant has been approved
- b. Treasurer will be voted in at the end of this meeting
- c. Balance from June 2021 – income from hot lunch \$28,678.27; expenses from last year included; gaming account \$4200 plus additional approval just granted
- d. Hot Lunch refunds from COVID are nearly completed

#### Treasurer's Report Friday, 15, Oct, 2021

##### General Chequing

###### Income

Balance Forward June 25th 2021 \$ 185, 816.04

###### Deposits

Deposit - Munch a Lunch	\$ 33445.73
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###### Expenses

Hot Lunch Expenses	\$4,767.46
Classroom Supplies- Includes PE	\$7,416.95
Teacher Appreciation	\$200.00
Parent Education	\$1,575.00
Principal Fund	\$2,500.00
Hot Lunch Refunds	\$10,475.46
Administrative	\$67.20
2021 Grad	\$1,200.00

###### ONLINE STATEMENT BALANCE as 15 October 2021

**\$ 191,082.96**

###### Chq's issued, pending clearance

Presto Catering Teacher \$ 2135.00  
 Appreciation \$ 77.72

###### QUICKBOOKS STATEMENT BALANCE as of 15 October 2021

**\$ 187,892.24**

##### Gaming Account

###### Income

\$ 4456.77

###### Expenses

\$ 210.00

Virtual field trip \$ 210.00

###### ONLINE STATEMENT BALANCE as @ 15 October 2021

**\$ 4246.77**

#### **4. DPAC Report: Vanenssa Gill**

- a. Wednesday Oct 6 and recorded –DPAC link on West Vancouver DPAC website <https://westvancouver.schools.ca/dpac/>
- b. opening up of activities at schools is positive
- c. cleaning standards are enhanced
- d. sense of belonging in schools (enhanced learning)
- e. increasing enrolment in schools
- f. ventilation up to standards at each school
- g. swish and gargle test offered at each school (option for parents)
- h. no proof of vaccination needed at schools at this time for students and parent volunteer
- i. slides available for PAC 101 if anyone is interested in joining their PAC
- j. parents had a chance to meet with Ministry representatives (recording available) – link on West Vancouver DPAC website <https://westvancouver.schools.ca/dpac/>
- k. There was an opportunity for all DPAC chairs in BC to ask the Minister of Education, Jennifer Whiteside two questions. An email will be sent out. Recording also available
- l. Three motions were voted on and passed by two elected PAC members from each school. The letter was drafted to Jennifer Whiteside, Adrian Dix and Bonnie Henry. Copy of letter also available on the website
  - i. Enhanced contact tracing for COVID-19 exposures at schools specifically to ensure that accurate and timely identification of potential close contacts within the school setting. We asked its teachers and staff of increased involvement in contact tracing. 24 parents in favor.
  - ii. Prioritizing school exposure notifications to ensure the potential of transmission source settings is minimized. We ask the notifications for potential school exposures to be prioritized be extended to include anyone who attends or works at the school with the COVID-19 positive individual. Details of classes affected should be made available. 24 in favor, one against.
  - iii. Barrier free, timely and convenient access to testing and PCR testing for both symptomatic and presymptomatic face interact students. 22 in favor, one against

#### **5. Hot Lunch**

- a. Started smoothly with almost no issues
- b. Parent Survey planned for end of term to get feedback and what changes they would like such as food and vendors

#### **6. Committee Updates**

- a. **Fun Run** – Originally this fall as a fundraiser, but postponed to Spring when the wet season ends

- b. **Silent Auction / Gala** – Still in the works. Stay tuned
- c. **After School Programs** – Still waiting for more info

## 7. New Business

- a. **Communication Platform between parents** – Still considering a safe platform to share information and ensure privacy. A lot of schools use WhatsApp, but we are concerned about information sharing.
- b. **New Treasurers** – We would like to officially welcome our three new Treasurers Heather Fraser Chan, Srabana Dasgupta and Katja Freitag who were acclaimed in the absence of other nominees
- c. **New Member at Large** – We would also like to officially welcome Jatinder Sidhu as our new exec member at large

## 8. Guest Speaker: Patricia Lesku, Youth librarian, Acting Head of Youth Services of West Vancouver Memorial Library “What’s happening at the library?”

Presentation on Offerings from Library:

- a. Lending of books and family friendly puzzles, family explorer backpacks (nature exploration), Chromebooks, Sphero Robots (need mobile device to download app), augmented reality kits (virtual reality)
- b. Please call, visit, or email the librarian – they are an important resource to families
- c. Kids Programming – Authors are visiting on Saturday (please visit website for details <https://westvanlibrary.ca/>) - virtual
- d. Teen Buddy Reading Time – sign up your child – virtual event
- e. Learn to Code Programs/Graphic Design/Creative Reading and Writing – virtual
- f. Music Programs- “Learning Korean through K Pop”; Virtual Escape Rooms; Conservation Week: Bats – all virtual by Zoom (register online) <https://westvanlibrary.ca/kids-teens/>
- g. <https://westvanlibrary.ca/kids-teens/supporting-west-vancouver-students-educators/>