

David Livingstone PAC October 2023 Meeting Minutes

Topic: David Livingstone PAC Meeting **Date/Time**: Wednesday, Oct 18 2023

7:00 p.m. in the library and online via Zoom

Acknowledgement: We would like to begin by acknowledging that the land in which we gather is the traditional, ancestral, and unceded territory of the Coast Salish peoples, including the territories of the Musqueam, Squamish and Tsleil Waututh First Nations.

1.0 Approval of the agenda

Moved that the agenda for the meeting on October 18 2023 be approved.

Moved by: Callie Service Seconded by: Lisa Kos

Discussion: Opportunities to join PAC as co-secretary and co-communications

Motion carried.

2.0 Approval of the Meeting Minutes (Sept): <u>Sept Meeting Minutes</u> Moved that the draft meeting minutes from September be approved

Moved by: Callie Service

Seconded by: Jessica [last name]

Discussion: We are adding the PAC Meeting Schedule to the end of this month's minutes; we

were unable to include last month as we were awaiting survey results.

Motion carried.

3.0 Principal's Report (Sharon Vieira)

(15 minutes)

Sharon to share the principal's report.

- Questions are invited.
- Thank you to Ms Lireman and Ms Kim, and all the parents who are driving cross-country events
- We are okay to run and use the field at Trout Lake tomorrow for the district-wide roundup for cross-country, unless Parks Board determines the field is too wet
- The new reporting system from VSB:
 - BC MOE has made a change to reporting, so there will now be three written reporting sessions in each of Dec, Mar, and the last week of June.
 - Parents will still see strengths-based reporting and ways to grow and support learning; what will be different is proficiency terminology. Reports will now be using terms: emerging (was: beginning), developing, proficient (was: applying), and extending
 - The teachers are not able to combine two terms; ie emerging-developing

- March and Dec reporting will be on topics taught
- Thank you to the teachers coordinating student leadership:
 - Grade sevens meet twice monthly and lead assemblies, decorating class doors, etc
 - Grades 5-7 doing lunch monitoring from K-3 classes
- Positive behaviour tickets: school-wide challenge to get ROAR tickets for mindfulness.
 The goal is to get 300 tickets, and then one day there will be an extra recess and teachers will come play too!
 - If a student is being mindful (sharing space, being kind or thoughtful), and teachers notice they can issue a ROAR ticket as a kudos
 - Reward will be school-wide as well as a specific "thank you" to the children as they earn ROAR tickets as a school
- Grade 7 camp: may be working to augment fee of \$400 plus bus. Ms V is looking at:
 - What can we do to fundraise
 - How can we supplement
 - Some families have paid full amount, but we have put this on hold until we determine if we can partially augment the fee
- Adrienne Gear "Powerful Understanding" Pro-D Day learning was well received
- No new info about a school name change, next step is surveying the community but there
 are many steps still to be completed

4.0 Co-Chair Report: (Lindsay Clayton)

(10 minutes)

- Munch-a-lunch:
 - o pizza is our most profitable lunch; we added more pizza days
 - Added White Spot and kids are psyched
 - Some comments about Purple Grain fajita and Agra chana is too spicy
 - Based on current orders, we will have \$21000 in rev and \$6000 in profit by end of December
 - Would love more volunteers to hand out lunches, it takes 20-30 minutes to do
 - Volunteers have requested instructions and divisions/classes posted on a board that we can take with us as we deliver lunches
 - Don't forget you can donate an amount with each lunch to help fund lunches for those who may not be able to otherwise afford the treat; fun lunch is not a necessity but the funds donated to date are now being offered to students who could use a treat occasionally
- <u>Volunteer sign-up sheet</u> (e.g. fun lunch dates, soiree planning, meet the teacher BBQ, division parent representatives, sports or after school activity support)
 - Lots of ways to get involved!
 - Looking to have "back up" or "partner" roles for executive positions on the PAC. If you're interested in trying things out, join us!
- Family Dance (Thursday, November 30; DJ secured; limited capacity 250; potential fundraiser for the Grade 7 trip [concession sales])
 - Had hoped it would be earlier in the term but DJ wasn't available
 - Looking for theme ideas—send us your thoughts! livingstonepac@gmail.com
 - Will sell tickets to capacity of the gym
 - Want this to be community-building more than revenue-building

- Attendee noted that there used to be movies nights in the gym may need license to view movies, but can serve/sell from concession for grade sevens as well. License is required to show movies. Something to look into further.
- Art Cards by Kids Jessica asked if we had considered it
 - We have not met as an exec team about this but Sheila has done initial research and it is ready for review
 - Would be good to roll this out for holiday cards, but given the deadline of early Nov
 to submit artwork, it would potentially be a strain on teachers, so would need to
 consider doing it with volunteer parents in the class, or possibly as an after-school
 session run by PAC and parent volunteers. More tbd.

5.0 Chair Report: (Nav Nathoo)

(10 minutes)

New Initiatives for 2023-24

- Diversity celebrations:
 - Diwali Celebration Nov 15 Agra samosa making demos, can accommodate for 30 students or teachers who want to bring their class down
 - As a school we are looking at other families to share throughout the year: winter solstice, harvest, Asian History Month, Black History Month, etc — Ms V will be inviting families in the next newsletter to share their knowledge and experiences
 - Reach out to Ms. V if you have a celebration you would like to share with the school
- Fall Drive Campaign launching this coming Monday
 - Visual, interactive
 - o Celebrate hitting milestones
 - Jessica notes that \$70/child is a lot for some families, since not every family may be able to afford this—ensure children are not pressured to ask their parents if it's not something they can financially make happen
 - May be better to update messaging from \$70 per person, to overall amounts we have set as goals
 - o Reminder there can be tax receipt issued for donations to the fund drive

6.0 Treasurer Report: Jitender and MaryMoved that the September treasurer's report be approved

(10 minutes)

Please review documents **in advance** of the meeting as we do not have time to present this in detail: October 2023 Treasurer Report

Moved by: Callie Service Seconded by: Jay [last name]

Discussion:

- Jitender provides an overview of the transactions from the month
- PAC donation report now reconciles to balance as of Sept 18/23
- Gaming grant: \$5000 should come in within the month

Motion carried.

Next Meeting: November 15 at 7:00pm online and in the library

The following times are scheduled PAC meetings for the remainder of the year. **All following meetings start at 7PM and will be held as a hybrid meeting, in the library and via Zoom**. Zoom details:

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September 2023

Wednesday September 20, 2023

October 2023

Wednesday October 18, 2023

November 2023

Wednesday November 15, 2023

December 2023

No meeting held this month

January 2024

Wednesday January 17, 2024

February 2024

Wednesday February 21, 2024

March 2024

No meeting held this month

April 2024

Wednesday April 17, 2024

May 2024

Wednesday May 15, 2024

June 2024

No meeting held this month

Meeting Adjourned: 8:05PM