



## **Parent Advisory Council Meeting (in-person) MINUTES**

**Feb 24, 7:02 – 8:00 PM in Dorothy Lynas Library and on Zoom**

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**In attendance:** In person: Brielle H, Leora F, Jaclyn F, Melanie H, Nicolle S, Tristan C, Ashley R, Ashley K, Sam B; Online: Jenn M, Alli T, Andrea P, Heather C, Jaclyn H, Kelly C., Melanie, Sabrina D., Tia W., Tyler M, Pat B.,

### **Welcome: Leora F.**

- Call to order 7:02pm
- Land Acknowledgement, Brielle H.
- Approve agenda: First: Nicolle S.; Second: Jaclyn F
- Approve last minutes: First: Jaclyn F.; Second: Nicolle S.
- Note that all past meeting minutes are posted on the PAC Website

### **Special Student Presentations, Tristan C.**

- Trivia Book Club (Prizes) \$80
- STEAM Request (Lunchtime Activity) \$200
- Both requests have support from Staff in the building
- PAC Voted in agreement with this

### **Special Teacher Presentations, Samantha B.**

- iPad Request to support student learning (consolidating learning, strengthening Literacy and Numeracy Skills)
- Request for one per classroom \$558 per iPad
- Question re: the support for the iPads from the District
- This will be discussed by PAC Exec as part of bigger budget discussion around technology with Admin team

### **Special Teacher Presentations, Ashley R.**

- Purchasing books to have corresponding with the Yoto Cards they have in the players
- Blank Yoto Card Players
- PAC Voted in agreement with this

### **Special Teacher Presentations, Tristan C & Ashley K**

- Outdoor seating (class sets) to support outdoor learning. There would be two class sets for when students are working outside for the day.

### **Special Parent Presentation, Dietician Jenn M.**

Registered Dietician, Jenn M. shares how to foster a positive body image with our children. Children as young as 5 start to express concerns about their own weight or shape. Among 8-12 year olds around 57% of girls and 47% of boys are having feelings of insecurity tied to their body image. How can parents help during childhood: normalize weight gain and why it is important, avoid stereotypes and promote internal value, emphasize body positive messages and size diversity, don't put your child on a diet and accept their body, challenge unhealthy expectations and dispel myths. Encouraging to not comment on children's bodies at all and celebrate diversity that we naturally see in nature and how that exists in humans and our own communities.

### **Principal/Vice Principals Report, Tristan C.**

#### **School Planning**

- a shift to specific areas where students need support particularly lunch time eating, outside play, and understanding with how to support students during these times. Also an awareness that we utilize Park Space and that the District has had some questions about the shared space and has requested ceasing in areas (Tennis Court)

#### **French Immersion Literacy Support**

- Working to release teachers in French Immersion so that they can work on targeted intervention to support groups with TIOC to cover classes.

#### **Welcome Figure**

- The carving has started, but the timeline is unknown at this point. The Indigenous Support Worker will confirm next steps shortly. The focus is on equity, diversity, and community.

#### **Verification Forms**

- Verification forms are important to complete accurately, it is different from the Emergent Pick-Up forms. Emergent pick-up needs to be someone who can pick-up the student within 5 minutes and is available close to the school. Accuracy is central to the School re: attendance and safety.

#### **Emergency Preparedness:**

- Full release drill to be announced.
- Trial via the classroom doors

#### **First Aid & Occupational Health and Safety (OHS)**

Role of first aid attendant in schools is for the adults within the school. Parents need to be prepared to pick-up children if they are unwell and if the school calls for the child to be picked-up.

- Primary function of an Occupational Health and Safety Level 2 is for staff
- Most staff have level 1
- Support from families when school calls
- Reminder if for illness, child is to move to care of the parent

#### **Automated External Defibrillator (AED)**

- Automated External Defibrillator (AED) will be installed at Dorothy Lynas as part of SD44 PILOT project

#### **Budget request(s) administration**

- A request for two cameras (one for primary and one for intermediate) to improve accessibility to camera use and photo-taking within the school. \$585 each device.

## Outdoor School

- Subsidy for outdoor school may shift and is allocated in the fall.

## PAC Report

### Farewell to Martine B., Leora F.

We want to extend a thank-you and appreciation from the PAC to Martine for her service as a Teacher and as Vice Principal at Dorothy Lynas.

### Outdoor Spaces, Leora F.

State of the enclosures and state and safety of the outdoor space has been directed to the District of North Vancouver. The concerns are sent to the District to act in repairing the retaining walls, the planter boxes, and increased accessibility to the school.

### PAC Positions Available, Brielle H.

We are looking for new members at large as well as people to share roles to spread out the work-load of the positions.

### Rainbow Tables & Lego Distribution, Brielle H.

Rainbow Tables are now in the classrooms and Primary Teachers are enjoying them. Eleven Classrooms have received Lego (extras from the Lego Club) as per their requests.

### Friendship Dance, Brielle H.

A thank-you to everyone that supported the Dance and attended, a specific thank-you to the Hamanishi Family for the support of the Dance. It was a wonderful time to connect.

### GRIT Parent Education Night, Brielle H.

March 5 from 6:30-8:30pm at Deep Cove Yacht Club. This event is free for all Dorothy Lynas parents, we request that you RSVP so that we have accurate numbers.

### Parent Social, Brielle H.

April 10 at GoodCo. The tickets are on sale now and include dinner and one drink. The cost for the event is \$35. We are looking for donations for the raffle. Tickets are on sale now. The maximum number of attendees is 200.

### Seycove Auction, Brielle H.

Seycove auction is confirmed to go forward this year on May 3 at Seycove. The theme of the Seycove auction is Age of Aquarius. Class contributions are due the first week of April. Classes will partner with the corresponding Division (French and English) to join in the donations (eg. F01 will be with E01). The auction will be available online for all parents and connected community members. Dorothy Lynas is still in need of a Donations Coordinator.

### Spring BBQ, Brielle H.

The Spring BBQ is going to be a bigger than in previous years and planning is underway.

### Afterschool Programs, Brielle H.

Afterschool program registration will be on Feb 27 at 8am. We have three programs up and running with limited space available in each. If you have any feedback (positive or negative) about these programs please reach out to Pat B via Konstella or at [emaildpac@gmail.com](mailto:emaildpac@gmail.com).

Lights Up Theatre (K-Gr.7), 3-5pm Mondays

ArtMania (Gr.1-7), 3-4:30pm Tuesdays

Steamoji (Gr.2-5), 3-4:30pm Wednesday (Feb 26 early dismissal, 2pm-3:30pm)  
Lego Club (Gr 1-7), at lunch, Free PAC Sponsored Program. The Lego Club will be open to all grades rather than alternating between Intermediate and Primary. Continued to work on how to bring Kindergarten students into the program.

#### **Ski Club, Brielle H.**

The ski club is up and running with great success. A thank-you to Leonie for her hard work coordinating the program. We will be looking for a new lead next year, Leonie has offered to mentor the new lead. The commitment to organize this program takes place outside of school hours. If you are interested in being involved in coordinating the program please reach out to Leonie, or [emaildlpac@gmail.com](mailto:emaildlpac@gmail.com).

#### **Paddleboard and Kayak Group, Brielle H.**

We are looking for support with walking children to Deep Cove Kayak for this program. The cost for the program would be \$25 per lesson. Grade 4-7 Kayak, Grade 5-7 for Paddleboards.

#### **Fun Food,**

Ordering starts March 15, it is a great fundraiser for the school. A thank-you for the dedication to the Fun Foods Team.

#### **Fundraisers, Brielle H.**

Fundraisers will be event based in the Spring (Seycove and Parent Night at GoodCo).

#### **Treasurer Report, Kelly C.**

There are a few areas that we are unsure about in terms of projecting fundraising (Seycove Auction, Purdies), the rest are on target as expected. We are working to get the funds into an investment account. Common space enhancement re: the Welcome Figure (so far \$5,000 but perhaps more). We have \$2200 committed to author visits for World Book Day. Dance PL3Y started this week and has been received positively. Some decisions about spending money may have to come later in response to the Seycove Auction and the GoodCo Parent Social as those events are unknown in terms of the funds they will generate.

### **Committees**

#### **EDI (Equity, Diversity, & Inclusion Committee), Brielle H.**

The EDI Committee has started a 'book corner' for topics that have come up in their Meetings. Hopes to host an event in May for DEI. Also a request that individuals keep eyes open for the BC Ombudsperson survey.

#### **FOS (Family of Schools), Melanie H.**

We had an online update this month. A few neat events and programs within the schools: (Blueridge has a number of speakers coming into the school. They had a very successful movie night. Wolf Pack Hockey game. Movie Night in the gym with Families.

#### **Traffic and Safety, Leora F.**

None to report. The walking school bus has been tried, but wasn't utilized fully if there is interest and volunteers to run it we can revisit it. Crossing guards for all schools has passed at a District level, so that will be increased support.

#### **Grade 7 Graduation, Kelly C.**

A plant sale is coming up in the Spring. There are some leftover items from the Friendship Dance Concession.

### **Other/New Business**

None to report

### **Adjournment: 8:56pm**

- Meeting Adjourned at 8:56pm.
- Next PAC meeting April 15, 2025
- PAC Meeting Dates for 2024-2025 are below:
  - September 24, 2024 – First PAC Meeting of the year
  - November 18, 2024 – PAC Meeting
  - January 13, 2025 – PAC Meeting
  - February 24, 2025 – PAC Meeting & Open Discussion
  - April 15, 2025 – PAC Meeting