

Seycove PAC Meeting Minutes

Date: 18 February 2025

Time Start: 7:00 pm

Location: Library

Members in attendance: Kim Tattrie (Treasurer), Julia Wagner (Secretary), Kara Guedes (DPAC Rep), Wendy Kennedy (Member at Large), Mandy Young (Family of Schools Rep), Meghan Downie (Principal), Paul Ruben (Vice-Principal)

Regrets: Lisa Stewart (President), Carla Cove (Vice President)

Agenda Item	Speaker	Discussion	Action Items
Acknowledgment & Announcements	Mandy Y.	We are situated today on the unceded and traditional territories of the Squamish (Skwxwú7mesh), Musqueam (xʷməθkʷəy̓əm) and Tsleil-Waututh (səlílwətaʔt) First Nations. Reflection on personal ancestry.	
Introductions	n/a		
Approval of Agenda	Julia W. Mandy Y.		
Approval of Minutes	Kara G. Kim T.	Available on Seycove PAC webpage : https://www.sd44.ca/school/seycove/Parents/pacschoollanddistrict/pacminutes/Pages/default.aspx#/=	
Principal's report	Ms. Downie, Mr. Ruben	-Seycove Turtle Island Legacy Project 2025: Revitalization Project: Honouring the Land & Revitalizing Our Space: --Goal \$2500 raised by March 14th, 2025: \$610 raised so far --Description and updates included in school newsletter and available on school webpage : https://www.sd44.ca/school/seycove/About/TurtleIsland/Pages/default.aspx#/= --Suggestion to send email to school community on Friday when not sending newsletter	-PAC to post Turtle Island webpage link on Seycove Parents facebook page

		<p>--Coast Salish Nursery enthusiastic to work with school and students. --Green Club and Environmental Science class want to help with revitalization.</p> <p>-Music Program updates: --Mr. Barnes has returned to teaching after parental leave. --Mr. Barnes and Mr. Najjar preparing for upcoming concerts as well as music trip in April. --Jazz in the Box performed singing Valentines as fundraiser.</p> <p>-School Planning: --Next meeting April 23 --Draft values feedback: staff will complete a feedback form at next collaboration meeting; Mr. Hughes to visit classes to obtain student feedback. --Staff and student feedback will then be incorporated to finalize values statement and a communication plan will be developed.</p> <p>-Ski Team: --Heading to Provincials in Quesnel (Feb 23-26): only school in Province to field in all four teams (boys/girls ski and snowboard). --Excellent team spirit: at Zones in Whistler only team with cheering section.</p> <p>-Basketball: --Shout out to Mr. Cardle for refereeing many basketball games when officials don't show. --Senior Boys ranked as high as 3rd in province. --Jr Girls basketball won against 1st ranked Argyle team.</p> <p>-Rugby: --Team started last year, still in building phase. --Will play exhibition games again this year to build experience, with aim to participate fully in league next year.</p>	
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Treasurer's Report	Kim T.	<p>-Very little activity in accounts since November.</p> <p>-Gaming Account still to be reviewed: --Cheque for HopeU from Gaming Account to give to Ms.Downie tonight. --Received school wishlist for PAC Gaming Account: tabled until next meeting; Kim to review and Ms. Downie to confirm priorities with Maureen Dawe.</p> <p>-Grad Ceremony fees: --PAC paid for Centennial Theatre grad ceremony rental last school year, which allowed school to spend funds on a speaker. --Discussion about raising grad fees to cover Theatre rental for grad ceremony: ---Prior to last year, ceremony was held in Seycove gym but very uncomfortable especially in heat wave. ---Majority of families polled last year voted to have ceremony at Centennia. ---Other schools charge fee for ceremony. ---Bursary could be available from school for families who need assistance.</p> <p>-Suggestion to add "Student-led Initiatives" line to budget.</p>	<p>-Gaming Account school wishlist: Kim T. to review gaming account and Ms. Downie to confirm priorities with Maureen Dawe</p> <p>-Kim T. to add "Student-led initiatives" to budget.</p>

DPAC Report	Kara G.	<p>-Mandy attended NVPAC meeting.</p> <p>-NVPAC recruiting committee members: Disability Advisory Committee - North Vancouver Parent Advisory Council (NVPAC): http://www.northvanpac.org/disability-advisory-committee.html</p> <p>Anti-Racism Advisory Committee - North Vancouver Parent Advisory Council (NVPAC): http://www.northvanpac.org/anti-racism-advisory-committee.html</p> <p>-NVSD 2024/26 calendar input period has now closed.</p> <p>-BC Office of the Ombudsperson undertaking investigation into students being excluded from learning; more details and questionnaire for affected families available online: https://bcombudsperson.ca/school-exclusion</p> <p>-Gaming Grant Eligible Expenses: The current 2024 PAC & DPAC Program Guidelines will expire in March 2025 and were written when the 2024 Conference & AGM were being held in Richmond. The Community Gaming Grants Program (CGGP) will issue the updated 2025 guidelines (effective April 2025 – March 2026) within the next few weeks, which will include amended language regarding the eligible use of funds for conference fees, travel and accommodation. Consider subscribing for CGGP news updates to be notified when the updated guidelines are published.</p> <p>-BCCPAC Conference (May 23- open to all parents/caregivers) and AGM (May 24&25) at UNBC Prince George and online: https://bccpac.bc.ca/index.php/events/conference-agm</p> <p>-Next NVPAC meeting: Wednesday February 26</p>	
Family of Schools	Mandy Y.	<p>-Approval of safety crosswalk guards for elementary schools: SD44 has budgeted \$54,000 annual salary per guard.</p>	

		--Need tables, chairs, drapes, flatwear, dishes. --No date for ticket sales yet. -TruEarth Fundraiser: suggestion to advertise this Canadian owned business fundraiser	-All to share request for event rentals connections. -Kim T. to forward TruEarth promo information from gmail account to Lisa S. to post on Seycove Parents facebook page
New Business		None.	
Adjourned	Approx: 8:07pm		
Next PAC Meeting: Tuesday, March 11, 2025 at 7pm in Library			

In Attendance: Patricia H.