



Queen Mary PAC Meeting Minutes

Date: Tuesday, January 14, 2019.

Attendees: Megan Davies, Janine Kobyłka, Sian Dowle, Christine Darvell, Maria Koebsch, Scott Trinder

Regrets: Sasa Chambers, Lisa Meyer, Tracey Wood, Bree Stanlake, Judy Yeung, Nazy Alborz,

Meeting commenced: 7:10pm

1. Approval of Agenda

- **Moved by:** Scott Trinder
- **Seconded by:** Maria Koebsch
- **Unanimous approval – Motion carried.**

2. Approval of November 12, 2019 Minutes

- **Moved by:** Maria Koebsch
- **Seconded by:** Scott Trinder
- **Unanimous approval – Motion carried.**

3. Principal's Report – Megan Davies

- **Basketball**
 - Sr Boys and Girls coached by Allan Klassen and Erin Schneider/Ping Ho
 - Jr Girls and Boys coached by parents and sponsored by Megan Davies and Michael Atkinson
 - Practices are starting. Games begin later this month.
- **FSA results** will be going home to families this week. Reports accompany the test booklets and describe each child's overall results in reading, writing and numeracy. The results are categorized into one of three proficiency levels: Emerging, On Track or Extending
 - Emerging – initial understanding of concepts and competencies relevant to expected learning
 - On Track – a partial to complete understanding of concepts and competencies relevant to the expected learning
 - Extending – a sophisticated understanding of the concepts and competencies relevant to the expected learning
 - **Grade 4's (21/39 students wrote the FSAs)**
Reading - 85% are on track or extending, Writing – 85% are on track or extending, Numeracy – 95% are on track or extending
 - **Grade 7's (26/61 students wrote the FSAs)**
Reading, Writing and Numeracy – 100% are on track or extending

- **Stopping Violations/City of Vancouver**
 - Vancouver City Council has passed changes to the fees around **stopping violations** which will **double the fines for violations which occur in the vicinity of schools, 8am-5pm on school days**. This was passed Dec. 3 2019 and will come into effect **Jan 1, 2020**. The Council report notes that “to support the City’s Moving Towards Zero goals, (City) staff have identified a number of safety related parking offences, in particular those that impact vulnerable road users, where fine amounts should be increased to further discourage unsafe parking behaviour.”
 - Also, PLEASE DO NOT PARK IN THE WHEELCHAIR ACCESSIBLE SPACE NEXT TO THE LAWN BOWLING FACILITY – IT IS DESIGNED FOR PARALLEL PARKING and DESIGNATED FOR WHEELCHAIR ACCESS.
- Students **texting/messaging/gaming at night** – have recently heard from students and staff mention of kids messaging each other very late at night. Please consider children’s access to technology at night in their rooms. For some students, their sleep is being prevented and/or interrupted. Classroom teachers, admin and our Area Counsellor will be working together to discuss the importance of sleep (along with accessing technology at school and home) in the near future.
- **Accessible playground** – input requested. School will likely be applying for grants and may ask for support from PAC.
- **NOTIFICATION OF SCHOOL CLOSURE** - By 6:00 am, the VSB will post information about snow closures on its website at www.vsb.bc.ca and will inform local media stations, including:

CKNW (980 AM)

CBC (690 AM, 105.7 FM)

CJVB (1470 AM)

CKWX (1130 AM)

CFHG (96.1 FM)

BCTV/Global (Cable channel 11)

CITY TV (Cable channel 13)

- **Upcoming dates:**

Jan. 20 – Pro-D

Jan. 23 – Performance (Hip Hop Hoop) 1:15pm

Jan. 28 – Kindergarten Vision Screening

Jan. 29 – Kindergarten Hearing Screening

Jan. 31 – Reports go home

Feb. 12 – Early dismissal for conferences (2:00pm)

Feb. 14 – Pro-D

Feb. 17 – Family Day

4. **Chair’s Report – Janine Kobylka/Tracey Wood**

- **Holiday Fundraising**

- Raised \$9,000 from various holiday fundraisers (Craft & Bake, Purdy’s and Plants)
- Thank you to everyone for their contributions and participation – lots of support and volunteers made the event go smoothly
- Both PAC accounts in very good shape – still looking for ideas to spend \$ on

- **2nd lice screening held on Jan. 6th**

- Only one family affected

- Lots of absences – try to change date for next year
 - **Pink Shirt Day order forms went home today**
 - Decided to go with official supplier rather than our own design/printing – could revisit that decision in future years
 - Deadline to submit orders to office is Jan. 23rd.
 - Nicole Dorfan is organizing – thank you!

 - **Hot lunch**
 - Tracey looking into Rocky Mountain Flatbread
 - Janine will reach out to other PACs to get opinions on Calhouns / Munch-a-lunch payment system

 - **Babysitting Course on Jan. 20th** – 21 kids registered so far

 - **Bethany Michel talk on Feb. 6th**
 - PAC email went home with info but not widely read – will ask Erin to send out a school-wide email
 - Will invite neighbouring PACs to attend
5. PAC is sponsoring a Parent Education talk by Bethany Michel on “Building Resilience Against Anxiety” on February 6th @ 6:30pm
- MOTION:** To approve \$150.00 from the General Account to cover cost of Bethany Michel’s parent presentation
- **Moved by:** Chris Darvell
 - **Seconded by:** Maria Koebsch
 - **Unanimous approval – Motion carried**
6. **MOTION:** To approve an additional \$125.00 of PIN money from the General Account for each of the 20 classroom/resource groups (\$2500 total). These funds are used for the consumables purchased by the teachers for their classrooms.
- **Moved by:** Scott Trinder
 - **Seconded by:** Maria Koebsch
 - **Unanimous approval – Motion carried**
7. **MOTION:** To donate 10% of our holiday season fundraising in the amount of \$900, plus the \$144.50 of pre-approved committed funds (both from the General Account), to our sister school, Queen Alexandra, for fine art programming (\$1044.50 total).
- **Moved by:** Chris Darvell
 - **Seconded by:** Maria Koebsch
 - **Unanimous approval – Motion carried**

8. Treasurer's Report – Sasa Chambers/Bree Stanlake

- No report at this time, but accounts are both in good standing
- Need to think of ideas to spend Gaming Account Funds.

9. DPAC Report – Maria Koebsch

- DPAC summit – Feb 6th for anyone interested in attending
- Maria has filled in the on-line survey about the role of DPAC/PAC challenges on behalf of Queen Mary Executive.

10. Other Business

- Choir is still running. Current session ends at end of February. There will be a sign up for a spring session.

11. Adjourn

- Meeting adjourned at 7:43pm