

Queen Mary PAC Meeting Minutes

Date: Tuesday, June 11th, 2012

Attendees: Kathy O’Sullivan, Shannon Burton, John Puddifoot , Rebecca Anderson, Heidi Harmer

Apologies: Joanna Doray, Jeff Pedersen, Adina Trowhill-Smith

Meeting commenced: 7:00 pm

No.	Item	Action/Details
1.	Introductions of the PAC executive	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Co-chair- Rebecca Anderson • Secretary- Joanna Doray • DPAC/BCCPAC representative- John Puddifoot • Treasurer- Adina Trowhill-Smith • Members at large- Heidi Harmer and Jeff Pedersen • SPC liaison- Samantha Adams
2.	Principal’s/ Vice Principal’s Report: Kathy O’Sullivan and Shannon Burton	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • thanks to PAC for welcome coffee; thanks to teachers for enthusiasm; thanks to families for patience getting the classes organized • Information re. class placements and new staff • Cross Country starting next week – notice coming home soon – practices Mondays and Wednesdays at 8:10 – mini meets once per week for three weeks and then a final meet at Trout Lake • leadership roles for students • School activity forms, health forms, etc. went home today • School goals the same as last year – citizenship and literacy (for intermediate – reading for information) • Sandra welcomes everyone to library and invites families to come in any time between school hours – thanks to PAC for fundraising for library - looking for volunteers – link library catalogue on QM website • Kathy encourages families to be involved and build “respectful community of lifelong learners ...”
3.	Treasurer’s Report: John Puddifoot for Adina Trowhill-Smith	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • QM has lots of \$! • call for volunteer to run Grocery Fundraising program • Information re. gaming account – can be used for “enrichment activities” i.e. anything that benefits the children but isn’t part of the curriculum
4.	DPAC/BCCPAC Report: John Puddifoot	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • District going through a renewal process and looking for direction – look at VSB website for more info • No DPAC meeting yet this year • Lots going on at the provincial level – online survey for your comments on how the education should change – personalized learning initiative – BC Electronic Student Information System being upgraded – asking for input and workshop on this on Thursday, September 13

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • New Minister of Education – Don McKray – was a high school teacher before he was elected • Parliamentary Secretary for Parent Involvement – J. Thornbottom – new position – children do better when their parents are involved • BCCPAC has a new website with a huge number of resources i.e. how to run an IEP, special needs, etc. • TEDX @ Science World, 2 hour, presentation for children (10 minutes per speaker) • John Puddifoot moves that the QM PAC joins the BCCPAC for another for a \$75 fee • Seconded by Julie Bettinger • Passed – no opposition
5.	Call for nominations for co-chair and DPAC representative in training	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No nominations have come forth.
6.	Motion to approve adding Rebecca Anderson and Joanna Doray as Co-Signatories and removing Rhianon Paterson and Karyn Moore from PAC Account	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Moved by Rhianon Paterson • Seconded by Pilar Ramos • Motion carried
7.	Call for volunteers to form a committee to organize Holiday Craft and Bake Sale	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Scott Trinder provides more info re: how parents can help pull together this event i.e. <u>class parents</u> are a great help. • Suggestion for next PAC meeting – list of events that we’ve had and events or ideas we’d like. • Discussion re. Hot Lunch program and setting up Committee. • Earthquake Preparedness Committee in place and to continue this year. • Discussion re: fundraising to assist the running of initiatives and programs that the PAC wants i.e. Gardening Committee. •
8.	Q & A	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Request to update website and create a more useful <u>communication</u> tool – hire someone? • Request for email to parents to alert them to upcoming PAC meeting – easiest way, right now anyway, to do this is through the class parent • Request for calendar of events to make it easier to find volunteer opportunities – post on bulletin board? On website?
9.	Adjourn	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Motion to adjourn for 8:11pm • Moved by Andrea Welton

