



Queen Mary PAC Meeting Minutes

Date: Tuesday, December 8th, 2015.

Attendees: Kathy O'Sullivan, Kathy Findlay, Chris Atkinson (VSB), Rebecca Anderson, Mahala McCullagh, Scott Trinder, Judy Yeung, Vicky Aneliunas, Lisa Meyer, Merle Miedzygorski, Maria Koebisch.

Regrets: Lori Matick, Sasa Chambers, Matthew Taylor.

Meeting commenced: 9:08 am

1. Approval of Agenda

- **Moved by:** Scott
- **Seconded by:** Vicky
- **Unanimous approval – Motion carried.**

2. Approval of November 10, 2015 Minutes

- **Moved by:** Vicky
- **Seconded by:** Judy
- **Unanimous approval – Motion carried.**

3. Principal's Report – Kathy O'Sullivan

- Thank you to PAC for the Greenscaping “kick off”.
- Afternoon Crafting was a great help to the Teachers for packing.
- School Assembly on Dec. 14th – guest Shane Point (Aboriginal blessing of school), Don Fiddler – Director of Aboriginal Education, will be with us. After assembly, kids will do a ribbon cutting at each entrance to “open” new school.
- Sing-Alongs in Gym on 16th, 17th & 18th - Dec. 16 @ 1:30 pm, 17 & 18 @ 9:10am.
- Kids are having lots of discussion about new classrooms to help prepare for “changes”.
- Kindergarten registration continues to January 31st, 2016.
- Continuing to have site meetings, and discussion of new furniture for common areas.
- Pro-D on Dec. 11th – Teachers doing an “Amazing Race” at Granville Island about the new curriculum!
- Volleyball Championships last week Sr. Boys and Sr. Girls.
- Basketball Season is coming up. Mr. Atkinson will be meeting with the students and teachers regarding the teams and coaches.
- Report Cards go home Dec. 9th.
- School Events:
 - Foundation Skills in January for Grade 4 & 7.
 - New Curriculum Implementation Plans – School Teams – 3 teachers and 1 admin will be attending workshops given by the Ministry – Wednesday, January 20

- New Framework for Enhancing Student Learning (Accountability Contracts – e.g. School Plan) - 3 prescribed goal areas for all schools – intellectual development, social and emotional development and career development. Plans will reflect local efforts to support each student and specific groups – Aboriginal students, children in care and students with special needs. GOOD NEWS – 2015-2016 Transition year.
- School year will continue as planned, in new surroundings!
- Furniture for new classrooms being tested out for best use, hopefully order more!

4. **Chair’s Report – Kathy Findlay/Mahala McCullagh**

- Once we move and get greenscaping paid for, we can focus fundraising for furniture and other needs.
- Afterschool activities: all still happening in Portables. Looking at adding some new ideas in the New Year besides art & athletics (eg. Lego robotics, Peddle-heads).
- Craft & Bake Sale a BIG success – approx. \$6800 (incl. Pointsettias & Purdy’s). Price increase was seamless!
- PAC planning to give Teachers/Support another \$125 in PIN money per teacher!
- Basketball: call out for volunteers! Michael Atkinson can only sponsor/coach one team this year. Might include some extra un-sponsored practice for newer players.
- Extra pointsettias for sale!
- Mr. Reimer & Mr. Weir doing an evening Sing-Along at the Wolf & Hound, December 13th, open to anyone (kids welcome)!
- Appliances to be included in Multipurpose room for TASC use – stove, dishwasher, fridge. Kathy O’Sullivan to confirm.

5. **Treasurer’s Report –Kathy Findlay for Sasa Chambers**

- Very little change since last month.
- Set aside \$25,000 of Gaming funds for the Playground, which is not part of the Greenscaping fundraiser.
- Looking at using some Gaming funds to support additional needs in the classrooms (ie. Desks, area rugs, etc.).
- Net funds received from Holiday fundraisers will show up next month.
- Only other “planned” spending is \$750 Scholarship in the spring.

6. **DPAC Report –Matthew Taylor**

- Deferred.

7. **Outdoor Greenscaping Project Update - Kathy**

- Huge generosity with regard to the Greenscaping project!! Donations have been pouring in: up to \$90,000 already!!! Looking good for reaching our goal of \$200,000! Tax Receipts will come out for donations received in 2015 soon!
- If we reach our goal before the Gala finale, hopefully we can just focus on “fun” instead of “fundraising”!

8. **Adjourn**

- **Moved to adjourn by:** Kathy F.
- Meeting adjourned 9:25am.