

# Minutes of the Kitsilano Secondary Parent Advisory Council (PAC) in the School Theatre Tuesday, November 26, 2024

Meeting called to order at 7:03 pm with 12 participants (10 parents; 2 guests).

PRESENT: PAC Executive Chair: Philip Coldrey, Jessica Qiu, Arlene Picard and Monika Marcovici

Guests: Benita Kwon (School Principal), (Student Council President) Shireen Davoudi

PAC Executive Regrets: Tina Pfeifer, Ishi Dinim, Maureen Campbell, Gaya Murthy, Serena Pires

We acknowledge that we live, work, play and learn on the traditional, ancestral, and unceded territory of the xwməθkwəy̓ əm (Musqueam), Skwxwú7mesh (Squamish), and Səl ílwətaʔ/Selilwitulh (Tsleil-Waututh) peoples.

## 1. Welcome from the Chair - Philip Coldrey

Motions carried to approve the agenda and previous meeting minutes.

Highlighting of our fundraising partner Stong's and their Express School Rebate program where 4% of grocery delivery orders are given to the PAC.

## 2. Student Council Update - Shireen Davoudi

Lots of activities underway including the Canley Cup fundraiser for local food banks. The pie a Teacher raffle and spirit week.

## 3. Principal's Update - Benita Kwon

FIT Attendance

Starting this school year, FIT attendance is being taken on the FIT Weekly Planner where students sign up to be in a learning space for FIT. An attendance message is sent home each FIT day to parents/guardians of students who did not sign up for FIT or did not attend the FIT class they signed up for. Attendance is meant to inform parents of non-attendance to FIT and to follow up with their child to support their choice/use of FIT.

Program Planning 2025-26

Departments have been working on finalizing course offerings for the next school year. The 2025-26 Program Planning Guide will be available at the end of December 2024.

Counsellors

will begin the program planning process, i.e., course selections, with current grades 8-11 students in January. It is very important for students to be selecting courses that they intend

to take as the school timetable is built based on student course requests. Request for changes after the course selection process cannot be guaranteed as space in classes is

limited. Parents are invited to our Program Planning Evening on Wednesday, January 22 to learn more about the process and how to support their child in selecting courses for the upcoming school year.

#### Grad 2025 Update

Grad events for this school year include activities/events planned by Grad Council and Graduation Ceremony and Reception in June.

- Grad Council
  - Grad Activities/Events
  - Grad Merch
  - Fundraising for grad gift and end of year grad event

- School Sanctioned Grad Events:

- Graduation Ceremony: Friday, June 6, 7:00 PM at QE

Theatre

- Reception (co-sponsored with PAC): Friday, June 6, 7:00 PM at QE

Theatre

- Non-School 'Grad' Events:

Grad Prom, After Prom, Grad Car Rally, Grad Camp-out/Sleepover, Grad pranks, etc. are not school sanctioned events. Our school does not sponsor, condone or support these types of events in any way.

#### 4. Cookie Bash

The annual cookie bash is scheduled for Thursday, December the 12th. Parents provide cookies to show their appreciation for the Teachers at Kitsilano.

#### 5. Financial Report

We received 30 requests for funding from Teachers totalling \$89,748.54

##### **Available PAC Funds**

Gaming funds - \$35,747

Donations - \$6768

Total - \$42,515

##### **Funds Allocated**

Teacher Requests - \$38,003.23

Graduation (Decorations & Scholarships) - \$4500

Unallocated - \$11.77

#### 6. Adjournment

MOTION to Adjourn at 8:03pm