

Seycove PAC Meeting Minutes

Date: Tuesday 12 November 2024

Time Start: 7:00 pm

Location: Library

Members in attendance: Lisa Stewart (President), Carla Cove (Vice President) Julia Wagner (Secretary), Wendy Kennedy (Member at Large), Meghan Downie (Principal), Paul Ruben (Vice-Principal), Kara Guedes (DPAC Rep), Mandy Young (Family of Schools Rep)

Regrets:

Agenda Item	Speaker	Discussion	Action Items
Acknowledgment & Announcements	Paul Ruben		Lisa: Add Land Acknowledgment as the first item on each Agenda. Upload Agenda template to the PAC website.
Introductions	everyone		
Approval of Agenda	Carla Cove, Lisa Stewart		
Approval of minutes:	Lisa Stewart, Kara Guedes		
Principal's report	Meghan Downie, Paul Ruben	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Auction date: May 3, 2025 -Supplemental school fees: Drama fees added; AP exam fees; Grad Activity Fee to be increased by \$10 for next year to cover increased grad costs; otherwise no fee changes -Thank you to Mr. Ruben for organizing the Remembrance Day ceremony -Turtle Garden in roundabout to be revitalized: clean up in the spring and replanting with low maintenance native plants; medicine wheel painting around the garden -Portable removal: to be planted with grass; outdoor classroom design needed; posts with temporary cover 	

<p>Board of Education Chair report</p>	<p>Linda Munro</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Community liaison -Governance – policy -Budget -Community Report publication -Standing Committee Meetings: held at Education Services Centre (2121 Lonsdale Avenue), parents welcome, often includes breakout rooms for discussion -Strategic Plan 2021-2031: 6 pillars include Student-Centred Education; Innovative Instruction; Welcoming and Inclusive Culture; Mental Health and Well-Being; Truth, Healing and Reconciliation; Environmental Stewardship -Focus this year on personal digital devices and Artificial Intelligence (AI) -Feeding Futures: community food accessibility -NVSD has seen enrollment increase: building Cloverley Elementary; Lynnmour new school next on list; Lower Lonsdale future school location 	
<p>Treasurer’s Report</p>	<p>Carla Cove</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -No Treasurer Report as the Treasurer role has been vacant. Monthly bank reconciliations are up-to-date. -Carla updated Seycove PAC Paypal account and requested charity status: some employers use PayPal Giving for employer-matching donation programs -Seycove PAC also has Canada Helps and Benevity accounts to facilitate donations 	<p>After charity status is confirmed by PayPal (ETA November 18, 2024), file a Change of Directors with Societies BC and update signing authorities with financial institutions.</p>

		-Lisa Stewart nominates Kim Tattrie for Treasurer; acclaimed unanimously	
DPAC Report	Kara Guedes	<p>-NVPAC Meet & Greet event Nov.6: attended by Kara, Mandy, Tree & Carla (representing Anti-Racism Advisory Committee); visited with reps from other schools, met our School Trustee, and some District Staff</p> <p>-Anti-Racism Advisory Committee meeting (zoom): Thursday Nov. 14, 7pm</p> <p>-Disability Advisory Committee meeting (zoom): Wednesday Nov. 20, 7pm</p> <p>-BCCPAC Virtual Summit, Saturday Nov. 30, 8:30 am to 4 pm: all parent and caregivers from member school PACs and DPACs are welcome to attend. Topics include:</p> <p>--Resources and Training for Every Parent and Caregiver: Our sessions will offer tools, insights and training in governance, advocacy and effective leadership within your PAC or DPAC, building capacity.</p> <p>--Updates from the Ministry of Education and Child Care: A representative from the Ministry of Education and Child Care will provide some updates to attendees on the work of the Ministry. You can also submit a question, when you register for the event, which may be used in the Q&A portion of this session.</p> <p>--A Path Forward Together: This summit is designed to bring together PAC and DPAC members from across BC alongside the BCCPAC Board. We need your ideas and perspectives to help shape BCCPAC's strategic goals and priorities.</p> <p>Link to register: REGISTER FOR THE SUMMIT BY NOVEMBER 25</p> <p>Summit schedule: VIEW THE FULL SUMMIT SCHEDULE</p>	

<p>Social Media, Website and Fundraising Updates</p>		<p>-TruEarth fundraiser info could be shared on Seycove Parents facebook page</p> <p>-Deep Cove Winter Market: Sat. Nov. 23 10am-3pm: Kim to send info to Lisa to post on Seycove Parents facebook; parent volunteers most needed for parking lot attendants and ticket sales; students can get volunteer hours; proceeds donated to PAC and other charitable organizations</p> <p>-Seycove PAC Instagram account: Lisa obtained login info from former PAC member Tiffany Britton who was administrating account but has not been successful in accessing account</p> <p>-Auction: --still in need of coordinators: Kim and Tree making presentations to FoS elementary school PACs; could post requests in newsletter and on Seycove Parents facebook page --could explore collaboration with Windsor</p>	<p>- Kara to send TruEarth fundraiser info from PAC gmail to Lisa to post on Seycove Parents facebook group</p> <p>- Kim to send Deep Cove Winter Market info to Lisa to post on Seycove Parents facebook;</p> <p>-Lisa to send Seycove PAC Instagram login info to Kim Tattie</p>
<p>New Business</p>	<p>Wendy Kennedy</p>	<p>-Volleyfest, Nov. 18-22: Wendy presented on behalf of Dana, Gr 12 student, who was unable to attend PAC meeting due to illness; --intramural games next week at lunch, teachers/coaches team plays winning team Friday at lunch, --Senior team ceremonies and Senior Boys vs Girls game on Friday after school; --fundraising goal \$4000: referee stand (\$1400) and jerseys for senior teams; --request for PAC to contribute \$500: voted unanimously to support, funds can come from gaming grant --also looking for community supporters, will get publicity in school announcements, at events and in newsletter: Lisa to share request on Seycove Parents facebook group</p>	<p>-Wendy to share Volleyfest community supporters letter put together by Dana and Mr. Ruben -Lisa to share request for community supporters for Volleyfest on Seycove Parents facebook group -all to spread request for community supporters</p>

	Tree Cleland	<p>-West Van Legion: poppy fundraising only had a few student volunteers; still an opportunity for Legion to contribute gaming grants to Seycove if parents volunteer for meat draw and bingo events; Wendy to provide sign up details</p> <p>-One Day To Make a Difference, Downtown Eastside: change of date to Sun. Dec 8; sandwich making at Tree's on Dec. 7</p> <p>-Seycove's new Feminism Forward club wants to do blanket and coat drive for women's shelter</p> <p>-Sun Run water station, April 27, 2025: student volunteer hours, also needs a few parent volunteers; school receives honorarium</p>	-Wendy to provide details about West Van Legion parent volunteering opportunities
Adjourned	Approx: 8:45pm		
Next PAC Meeting: Tuesday 10 December 2024 at 7pm in Library			

In Attendance:

Linda Munro, Board Chair, North Vancouver Board of Education

Tree Cleland

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Kim Tattrie