

# KITSILANO SECONDARY SCHOOL 08/09

## PAC MEETING MINUTES 07

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

20 May 2009

### PRESENT:

- Rick Mesich, Principal; Alex Grant, out-going Principal; Karen Coflin, Vice-Principal
- Executive members:** James Burton, Lisa Herrera, Mary Chipman, Jacqueline Stoeckler, Andrew Larigakis
- 19 PAC members total** (refer to sign-in book)

Location: Library - Kitsilano Secondary School, 7:30 pm

	Minutes	Action
7.01	-agenda tabled, order of agenda items shifted to accommodate PAC member unable to attend entire meeting. -revised agenda adopted.	Info
7.02	-minutes from previous meeting adopted	Info
7.03	-Alex Grant, Rick Mesich and Karen Coflin congratulated on their new positions	Info
7.04	<p><b>PAC Constitution changes</b></p> <p><i>1) Proposed amendment to strengthen the safeguards on PAC finances.</i> Reason: The proposal is to strengthen the requirement for a PAC bank account, that with the two required signing officers, both must sign for cheques and withdrawals, as opposed to either or may sign. Amendment Replace: Section XV - "6. The executive shall name at least three signing officers for banking and legal documents. Two signatures will be required on all of these documents." with "6. The executive shall name at least three signing officers, from the executive, for banking and legal documents. [Unless otherwise authorized by PAC,], Two signatures will be required on all banking and legal documents, including without limitation contracts, bank withdrawals and cheques". -Motion tabled by Lesley Wright. -Seconded by Gwyneth Edgcumbe. -need for bracketed section questioned. -motion to table proposed amendment until fall when Karen Gilmore can explain necessity of bracketed phrase. -motion to table passed. -amendment will be discussed again at next AGM.</p> <p><i>2) Proposed amendment to have the CPF (Canadian Parents for French) representative join the Executive.</i> Reason: Having the CPF Rep. as a member of the executive is a way to ensure that there is a member from the district's French Immersion support organization (CPF) to provide that perspective. Add: Section VIII - "10. One representative to Canadian Parents for French (CPF) shall be elected annually from parents who are both parents of who are both parents of students enrolled in the school and members of CPF." Add: Section X - "f) Canadian Parents for French representative" to list of PAC Executive Officers. -Motion tabled by Lesley Wright -Seconded by Larry Bengé -parents welcomed CPF Rep to be on PAC Executive but some felt it should not be a constitutional requirement. -could be onerous to have two positions and discourage parent to run for CPF rep.</p>	Info

	<p>-other Executive members represent whole school. CPF rep represents only part of the school, be it a large part. -motion defeated.</p> <p>-PAC supports greater principle of greater involvement of CPF rep in the PAC and will implement a regular CPF Report at every PAC meeting next year.</p> <p><i>3) Proposed amendment to shift the SPC term from the school year to the calendar year.</i> Reason: The change to the School Planning Council's (SPC) term is being proposed so that SPC representatives are in office for the drafting and adoption of the year's School Growth Plan (May), as well as for a period of the Plan's implementation (Fall). Delete : Section VII – 1. “, and School Planning Council representatives”. Add: Section IX – “7. <i>Transition</i>: the term of the 2008-2009 School Planning Council representatives shall be extended to expire on the last Parent Advisory Council meeting of 2009 to allow for the transition to calendar year terms for the SPC.” -Motion tabled by Andrew Larigakis -Seconded by Paige Axelrood -Carried.</p>	
7.05	<p><b>Principal's Report</b> – Rick Mesich -reverse osmosis water filters paid for by PAC have been installed and are a big hit with students. -Sonia Hudson of DPAC would like to get the names of our speakers for next year from us so a list can be compiled for all schools. Parents will have opportunities to hear speakers at schools other than just their own. -earthquake simulation done in school. Evacuation of school was efficient and orderly. -Grad Dinner-Dance and Dry Grad a big success. Kudos to Charley Kirkley who did an amazing job of organization. -final exams coming up. Schedule being worked out. -term ends on June 16<sup>th</sup> for students not doing Provincial Exams.</p>	Info
7.06	<p>-Gwyneth noted that we need to maintain some regular drinking fountains for visitors to school and others who may not have a water bottle for use with the reverse osmosis filter machines.</p>	Info
7.07	<p><b>Teachers' Report</b> (Karen Coflin present but since she has been promoted to Vice-Principal is not able to speak on behalf of teachers)</p>	
7.08	<p><b>Treasurer's Report</b> – Cathy Goodban -balance in Gaming account is \$1,211.67. Needs to be spent before end of year. -balance in Admin Account is \$11,197.98 -KitsNOW! raised \$7,100 this year. We need to get flyer in with summer mail out.</p>	Info  Andrew
7.09	<p>-VSB moving to lease program for computers. -will fully replace two computer labs -every teacher in each classroom will get a computer. -VSB will not provide Macs due to need to maintain a common platform</p>	Info
7.10	<p><b>DPAC Report</b> -election for DPAC Executives. -five openings, five people running. -Kits PAC voted in the five candidates. -Ron Broda has resigned.</p>	Info
7.11	<p><b>School Renewal / Seismic Upgrade</b> -handout distributed which included Kits Pac Vision Document as well as script from presentation to Committee II of the VSB. Also included was just received text of teacher's presentation to Committee II.</p>	Info

	<p>-Chris Kelly retiring in July. -Laurie Anderson will be interim Superintendent from July until January.</p> <p>-Mary Chipman will draft a letter from PAC to Gordon Campbell congratulating him on his election win and following up on his meeting with PAC. -Alex Grant explained that facilities audits are being done of all schools looking at systems like electrical, plumbing and heating as well as structure. -review incorporates recent developments at UBC relating to seismic engineering. -audits for all schools expected to be complete by end of year. -Keith Miller, Assistant Deputy Minister of Education eager to get Kits going. -Kits should be eligible for additional 15% funds through the Neighbourhoods of Learning initiative. -Alex position at the at the VSB is a newly invented and is being defined in process. Part of role is to ensure there is a strong educational component in school designs.</p>	
7.12	<p><b>Election of Table Officers</b></p> <p>-James Burton standing again for Chair. - Lisa Herrera, Mary Chipman and Jacqueline Stoeckler running again for Vice Chair positions -Cathy Goodban running again for Treasurer. -Andrew Larigakis running again as Secretary. -DPAC Representative position open. Jacqueline willing but not sure if she will still be here next year. Larry Bengé also willing but his child will have graduated. Position left open until September. -3 calls for further nominations. -slate elected by acclamation</p>	Info
7.13	<p>-Mary Chipman would like to re-examine our communications as a PAC. Interested in implementing social network platform. Could consist of an open network or an open and closed network.</p>	Mary
7.14	<p>-PAC would like to work with faculty to find opportunities to create learning opportunities with the Olympics. -Rick Mesich noted that 8 students from Germany will be coming to Kits during the Olympics. They will acting as journalists and will be publishing articles in German, French and English</p>	All Info
7.15	<p>-Ginny Saunders has agreed to coordinate the staff appreciation lunch. Parent encouraged to contribute and assist.</p>	Info

**End of Minutes to meeting of 20 May 2009**

Minutes by Andrew Larigakis