

KITSILANO SECONDARY SCHOOL 07/08

PAC MEETING MINUTES 02

October 16, 2007

PRESENT:

- Alex Grant**, Principal
- Executive members** Ingrid Bjerkelund, Wendy Massing, Megan Swail, Marina Niks, Jacqueline Stoekler-Sihvonen, Barbara Bradbury, Hilton Lee
- 40 PAC members** (see sign in sheet)

Minutes by Thomas Winkler

Location: Drama Studio Kitsilano High School

	Minutes	Action
02.01	Ingrid welcomed parents on behalf of the PAC	
02.02	<p>Class sizes and special needs student:</p> <p>Principal, Alex Grant introduced the report regarding class size and composition. The numbers must be presented to the SPC as a legislated requirement. The number of classes with more than 30 students is small. The special needs student numbers increased from about 100 last year to approx 140 for this year. If PAC members have concerns they may contact kitsPAC@hotmail.com and their SPC members will bring them to the attention of the principal at their first meeting on Oct 1, 2007 or they may speak to the principal directly.</p>	
02.03	<p>Seismic Upgrade</p> <p>Mr. Grant mentioned that the VSB hired a new person for handling the seismic issues. Preliminary costs are \$58 mil for a seismic upgrade verses \$55 mil for new construction. Parts of the school cannot be seismically upgraded. The new building would be smaller.</p> <p>District PAC will have a representative on a sub-committee of VSB Committee. Anyone wishing to put their name forward should contact kitsPAC@hotmail.com.</p>	
02.04	<p>Parents raised the issue that many had not received their school e bulletin. The principal will look into this. Both the principal and PAC will look into setting up a way to sign up for the school's e bulletin and the PAC e news from the website. Currently, parents can inform PAC that they wish to get the PAC e news by contacting KitsPAC@hotmail.com</p>	
02.05	<p>Teacher liaison with PAC, Gena Kolson introduced herself. She will speak at each PAC meeting to appraise us of the activities of teachers and classes at the school.</p>	
02.06	<p>Librarian, Giovanna Bombino spoke about the library catalogue and the library's open door policy. All are welcome. She encouraged parents to come in and browse and introduce themselves to her.</p>	

- 02.07 Ingrid announced that we have a new school liaison officer, constable Lynn Nofle and our new intervention specialist Jean Fougere
- 02.08 Guest speakers – Carrie Pitman and Wayne Shaddick Kits counseling Dept gave a very informative talk on the developmental levels of teens. They concluded by encouraging parents to come out to the next PAC meeting for an in-depth look at teens and teen issues in Grades 8 & 9.
- 02.09 Distribution of Funds: M
The proposed distribution of funds was presented to the PAC. The students club and the library were encouraged to request funding.
Motion was labeled by James Burton and seconded by Joanna DenHertog to distributes funds as proposed by the Executive. The motion was accepted unanimously.
- 02.10 Social catering at Bistro Bistro Nov 06, 2007 4.30pm to 6.30pm
- 02.11 PAC Executive Positions for 2007-2008
- Chair person(s)
 - Vice chair (we have one, Marina Niks. Others are welcome to stand)
 - Secretary
- The following positions have been filled:
- Treasurer Magan Swail
 - School Planning Council Ingrid Bjerkelund, George Bryce, Jacqueline Stoekler-Sihvonen
 - District PAC representative Jacqueline Stoekler-Sihvonen
 - Library representative Joanne Naslund
- Elections will be held at the November PAC meeting***
- 02.12 Next Meeting November 21, 2007 7.30