

# LORD TWEEDSMUIR COMMUNITY SCHOOL

## PARENT ADVISORY COUNCIL (PAC)

### September 22, 2021 MEETING MINUTES

The New Westminster School District recognizes and acknowledges the Qayqayt First Nations, as well as all Coast Salish peoples, on whose traditional and unceded territories we live, we learn, we play and we do our work.

**Date:** September 22, 2021

**Time:** 7:00 PM

**Location:** Zoom Video Call

**Attendees:** Elaine Soo, PAC Chair; Rob McCullough, Vice-Chair, Chamyli Denis, Treasurer; Kim Cirillo, Secretary; Enza Esposito, Fundraising; Colin Magor, DPAC Rep, Jenny Richter, Principal

#### Members at Large:

- Lenny Yuen
- Meredith Haaf
- Gerardo & Ana Brehm
- Jennifer Flasko
- Theresa Monaghan
- Michael Wilton
- Rainy Cao
- Rebecca Munroe (Acting VP)
- Katie Macpherson
- Rachel
- Aiden

#### MINUTES

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7: 1.0 **CALL TO ORDER**

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Call to order @7:01 seconded by Chamyli.

7: 2.0 **APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA**

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Carrie motioned to approve the September 22, 2021 PAC Meeting Agenda, seconded by Colin. Motion to accept the September 22, 2021, PAC Meeting Agenda was **APPROVED**.

7:09 3.0 **APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES**

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Motion to approve the June 16, 2021 PAC Meeting Minutes by Robert and seconded by Katie.

7: 4.0 **REPORTS**

4.1 **CHAIR**

- Elaine: In covid times best to put on events when we safely can. Looking at lunches and fundraising. Encouraging all to attend the DPAC meeting if you need the link just ask.

7:12 4.2 **TREASURER**

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- Chamyli: Reporting general account total of: 25,500.00
- Gaming funds: 6419.00
- 100 per division, anything they would like, claimed by half of the 17 divisions. 250\$ per division for field trip funds. Allocated it so the teachers could use them as long as the funds fit in the gaming grants allowable uses. Eg virtual field trips. 3280.00 used up. Notably, fundraising was 5200.00
- Other uses: Saleema Noon presentation 50% paid, graduation ceremony lunch.

7:15 4.3 **DPAC**

- DPAC meets the day after our PAC meetings. (Thursday) reports are approx. a month behind)
- Whole district is affected by the discussions of DPAC. Colin will report at next meeting.

7:18 4.4 **FUNDRAISER**

- Enza looking at fundraisers for now until Christmas. In between Mom's Pantry and Neufeld Farms. Art by kids was popular, as well as gift cards, purdys, and poinsettias. Deciding on which is coming out first.
- Enza asking if we can FUN LUNCH in OCT. Principal Richter says yes. Enza will coordinate with Principal Richter.

7: 4.5 **PRINCIPAL / VICE PRINCIPAL:** Jen Principal with Rebecca Monroe new acting VP.

Details about the new school trustee: Dee Beattie

Extra division this year to support numbers. 18 divisions. 12 mainstream, 6 early French Immersion. Some new staff members, but still looking to fill postings. Code of conduct was sent home. Looking for parent input re: revamping the code of conduct.

Bringing attention to subsidy available for hot lunch.

Covid updates: reminding families to do daily health checks. Focus on handwashing, cleaning protocols, mask mandates and guidelines. Trying to share info with families as soon as possible.

Upcoming Terry Fox Run, and Truth and Reconciliation Day.

Question asked about which 2 positions are empty: TOC in Grade ½ classrooms. Counsellor starting Oct 4 and a new school speech and language pathologist starting in Oct, and 2 day learning support teacher to be joining school based team-that position is in process of being filled.

Question asked: is the SLP for the district or just our school? Principal Richter: our new SLP will support our site but will visit other sites. She will be constant for our site.

Question asked: how do you access SLP? Principal Richter: you can reach out to a teacher, or myself. Sometimes connected with an outside agency or something noticed by a parent or teacher, starts a process of screening after connecting with families for permission, then determining levels of support depending on the needs of the children.

Question asked re: when the SLP may be available? Principal Richter: shortly after her start in October, after getting set up and reviewing case files.

7: 5.0 **NEW BUSINESS**

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- Elaine: October 5th Teacher and staff appreciation. PAC wants to ensure staff gets recognized for their hard work. PAC executive plans to bring food/treats (individually wrapped) to teachers. Asking Jen to pencil that appointment in.
- Elaine: a 3rd signing authority needs to be added to the account. Elaine to contact the bank and add our Secretary, Kim Cirillo on the account (along with Elaine, Chair and Chamyli, Treasurer who is currently on the account).
- Approve cheque to be signed for Chamyli. 336\$ needed to reimburse Chamyli, as she paid out of her personal account to cover the fee. Discussing if Jason can sign for that approval re: last year.
- Question asked: wondering what the DPAC is. Elaine: District PAC, parents who volunteer at the district level. Superintendent attends and discusses everything pertaining to all schools elem, middle and highschool. Link is provided in chat.

7: 6.0 **ADJOURNMENT**

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Motion to adjourn by Elaine at 7:33 and seconded by Kim as second the September 22, 2021 PAC Meeting was **APPROVED**.

**NEXT MEETING**

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**Date: October 20, 2021**

**Time: 7:00 PM**

**Location: Zoom Link**

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Kim Cirillo

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**Recorded by:**

September 22, 2021

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**Date:**