

P.A.C. GENERAL MEETING MINUTES November 6, 2024 7:00 – 8:00 pm Meeting held via Microsoft Teams

Present at the Meeting: 31 attendees

P.A.C. Team:

Stephanie Clark – Co Chair

Stephen Smart – Co Chair

Vanessa Mitchell – Events

Erin Alexander – Treasurer (Absent)

Lindsay Carlson – Secretary

Sarah Andrews – Fundraising Chair (Absent)

Julie Hebb – Volunteer & Class Rep Coordinator

Jocelyn Chang – After School Programs

Joyanne LeBarron - Hot lunch Coordinator / Safety Rep

Catherine Kowalski– Hot Lunch Volunteer Coordinator

Amanda O'Reilly – District PAC Rep (Absent)

Saman Hamidi - Communications & IT

Kendra Low – Safety Committee Lead & Past Chair (Absent)

Canyon Heights Administration:

Kevin Ward – Principal Sarah Dawson – Vice Principal Andrea Waich Anita Pathak-Fox Cheryl Wood

Meeting Members:

There were approximately 18 additional parents in attendance

1. Call to Order

• **Speaker**: Stephen Smart (PAC Co-Chair)

• **Time**: 7:00 PM

2. Land Acknowledgement

- Speaker: Sarah Dawson (Vice Principal)
- Acknowledged the unceded territories of the Squamish and Tsleil-Waututh people and reflected on the importance of gratitude for the land.

3. Introductions

 PAC Executive members introduced themselves and described their roles for the 2024-2025 term

4. Approval of Previous Minutes (June 2024 AGM)

Motion: Vanessa Mitchell

• Seconded: Lindsay Carlson

Vote: Unanimous approval

5. Principal's Update - Kevin Ward

- Acknowledged the life of the Honorable Murray Sinclair and reiterated the school's commitment to reconciliation and education on Indigenous issues.
- Enrollment Update: 378 students with 16 divisions; actively onboarding new students.
- **School Activities**: Celebrated Diwali, two Welcome Back assemblies, Terry Fox assembly and run, Thanksgiving assembly, and planning for upcoming Remembrance Day assembly.
- Upcoming Events:
 - o **Math Festival**: Grade 7-led activities with school wide participation.
 - o **Fused Glass Workshop**: School-wide art project.
 - o Winter Performance: School-wide event with rehearsals beginning in November.
 - o **Professional Development Day**: December 6th

6. PAC Updates

- Hot Lunch (Joyanne): Hot lunch is running smoothly, occurring three times a week (most weeks). The program continues to serve as the PAC's main fundraiser. Always looking for more volunteers.
- After School Programs (Jocelyn): Current programs include arts & crafts, lights up, basketball, multi-sport, Farsi language and potential for board game program in the future. Next round of programs come for January.
- Fundraising (Vanessa):
 - Purdy's Chocolates: Ongoing until November 20 with early December pick up
 - Canyon Heights Merch: New items include crewnecks, sweatpants, and toques, available for online ordering – COMING SOON
 - Kulture Krave: Percentage of purchase donated to the school when you mention you're from Canyon Heights.
- **Events (Vanessa)**: Recapped recent events, including the Ice Cream Social and Halloween Movie Night.
 - Upcoming events include:
 - Winter Market: Third annual free event. Scheduled for November 27, with young entrepreneurs from grades 5-7 participating.
 - Winter Dance: December 11, featuring a kids' DJ, with separate times for primary and intermediate students.
 - Pancake Breakfast: January 17
 - Movie Night: February 21 New popcorn maker coming soon
 - Music Fest: Spring 2025 (May)
- Safety (Stephanie):
 - Discussed ongoing traffic safety concerns, particularly around the school drop-off zone.

- Safety committee is actively working with the District of North Vancouver (DNV) and RCMP for improvements.
- o Potential addition of a second crosswalk further north on Highland Blvd.
- Proposal to involve grade 7 students in safety patrol for service hours.
- o Looking for more volunteers.
- o Reminders:
 - SLOW DOWN 30km/hr
 - No U turns or crossing center lines
 - Drop-off/Pickup area is not for waiting "kiss & go"
 - No parking or dropping off in the south and north side (staff) parking lots
 - Do not block driveways or intersections
 - No dogs on school grounds district bylaw
 - Report a violation: https://www.dnv.org/report-a-problem

7. 2024/25 Budget Approval

- **Income**: ~\$60,000 anticipated, with contributions from hot lunch, fundraising events, and a gaming grant.
- **Expenditures**: Focused on school programs, such as fine arts workshops, new musical instruments, outdoor basketball hoops and upgrades to classroom technology.
- Specific Questions: treasurer@canyonheightspac.org
- Motion to Approve Budget: Lindsay Carlson
- **Seconded**: Julie Hebb
- **Vote**: Unanimous approval

8. New Business

• Next Meeting: Scheduled for late January 2025.

9. Close of Meeting

• Time: 7:39 PM

Submitted by Lindsay Carlson, Secretary:

Signed by Stephen Smart, Co Chair:

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