



**Minutes of the  
Kitsilano Secondary Parent Advisory Council**

KSS staff room

October 16, 2014, 7:30 pm

**PRESENT:** PAC executive: Chair Shelly Nicholl; Vice-Chairs Verónica Pacheco-Sanfuentes, Leslie Douglas;  
Secretary Martina Mitterer;  
**REGRETS:** Treasurer Maria Rezvanova  
Administration: Principal Ellen Roberts; Teacher Rep Doug Smith  
Members: 20 (including Executive)

Meeting called to order at 7:30 pm

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1. Welcome and introductions
2. **MOTION:** Adoption of Agenda  
Moved: Leslie Douglas  
Seconded: Verónica Pacheco-Sanfuentes  
CARRIED
3. **MOTION:** Adoption of 22 May 2014 minutes  
Moved: Naomi Pauls  
Seconded: Leslie Douglas  
CARRIED
4. **Presentation on school construction:** Raymond Afabl – Vancouver School Board  
Marianna Tanoni – Bouygues Building

The project is running on schedule. The South wing construction continues and should be completed for the September 2015 school start at which time the students/staff will be using it. By winter 2014 the building should be watertight and the inside work will continue. Bouygues is responsible for moving the classrooms after the teachers have packed up everything.

The Southwest wing (metal shops, etc.) will also be renovated and will be ready for classes in September 2015. There will also be 8 portable classrooms (at present it is not known what classes will be held in them).

Phase III starts in September 2015 and will be completed by spring break 2017. By March 2017 the move to the north portion (newly constructed with the original façade being kept) of the building will be completed and the demolition of the renovated portion (prior metal shops, etc.) will commence.

We have been advised that there are new plaques being put up with the latest egresses in place. All hazardous materials will be removed when school is not in session.

Request was made to the VSB that floor plans and phasing plans be put on the website. There should be a link on the KITS website.

5. **PAC Elections** : Slate as follows:

Chair: Shelley Nicholl  
Vice-Chair: Lesley Douglas  
Treasurer: Maria Rezvanova  
Secretary: Martina Mitterer  
Member at large: Verónica Pacheco-Sanfuentes  
Member at large: Eva Antoniak  
DPAC Representative: Arthur Corber  
SPC: Eva Antoniak, Ileana McKenna, Ingrid Sulston

**MOTION:** To accept the slate as the new PAC Executive for the 2014/15 school year.  
Moved: Patricia Thiel  
Seconded: Nancy Kortsosores  
CARRIED

6. **Chair's Report** – Shelley Nicholl

- We are still looking for a PAC website volunteer
- Cookie Bash: Christina Morgan
- Staff Appreciation Luncheon: Martina Mitterer and Eva Antoniak
- We request that all parents sign-up on the PAC website for the PAC Newsletter.
- Twin Bro: Developing a Scholarship Mentality, November 6, 2014 at 7 pm. They explain all about scholarships and is free to all parents and students. Purchase of work book available at the event.
- Parent's Grad Committee Meeting: Thursday, October 23, 2014
- We are looking for someone to help with the Student Achievement Awards, which are positive youth action awards (recognizes non-academic achievements for Grades 8 – 12). You will be working closely with the school counsellors and begins in January. If you are interested or would like more information please contact Leslie Douglas.

7. **Principal's Report** – Ellen Roberts

- Current enrolment: 1351 students which is down by 40 from last year and below projection.
- New staff: 3 new teachers and 2 more part-time teachers (tbc) – overstaffed but no changes are expected.
- Peer tutors are in place: every Tuesdays and Thursdays
- LINK Crew (and Vintage LINK) is running and more information will be given to all the Grade 8 when events are running.
- CASL – request that all parents sign-up (see KITS website)
- Award Ceremony 2014: will not be taking place as we have no marks due to the job action.

- Volunteering: opportunities available in a variety of areas, please contact Ellen for more information.
- Tutorials: 1<sup>st</sup> 20 minutes of the day. This is actual instructional time and students are required to be at school at 8:30 am. There is no attendance taken because the students decide which classes they want to attend the tutorials and this may be the reason why many students interpret this as an optional event. There will be no tutorial on IPP days.
- Parent Walk about: was cancelled due to the job action (late start of school year).

8. **Treasurer's Report** – Maria Rezvanova

- Full report will be given at the next meeting
- Received \$27,700 gaming grant
- Teacher's request must be placed by the end of October

9. **Teachers' Report** – Doug Smith

Nothing really to report as they are just getting everything organized. Various school clubs are slowly starting up.

10. Chair's Wrap-up – Shelly Nicholl

11. Adjournment 9:30

**Next PAC meeting is Tuesday, November 27<sup>th</sup>, 2014**

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