



## OAK BAY HIGH SCHOOL

### Parent Advisory Committee (PAC) Meeting

Date: February 26, 2024 | 7:00 PM | Cafeteria

## MEETING MINUTES

### Attendees:

PAC Co-Chairs: Kalina Popova and James Chaney

PAC Members at Large (MAL): Beth Boyd, Craig Hickie, Kathryn Robertson

Principal: Shawn Boulding

Regrets: Michelle Appleton (MAL), Hazel Currie (MAL), Wendy Fung Graham (Treasurer), Karin Sweeney (Secretary), Nyssa Temmel (VCPAC)

School Community: Mercedes Calvert and Karen Meyer

### 1. Welcome, Territorial Acknowledgement and Introductions

- James welcomed everyone and gave a territorial acknowledgment
- Round table introductions
- Appreciation for Beth for the tea and outstanding cookies!

### 2. Administration Report

- International students currently at 130, to be reduced as SD61 wants to quickly shrink/rightsize school pop. to what school was built for
- Around the school: Athletics, 5x basketball teams competing at provincials; ski/snowboard team also at provs. Jazz band has been highly successful, including a 1k scholarship to a student.
- School production Matilda starts Friday
- Lunch program going well, 100 fed daily, funding non sustainable, 3yr govt program. Foods class may take over role longer term; admin are managing food pick-up so far, parents could help at some time running the lunch time.

### 3. Co-Chair Report

- Recap Gang Education Seminar: Well received, excellent presentation. Thank you messages were sent afterwards. Presenters offered further sessions as needed. Discussion about police extending these info sessions to students in school. SD61 now the only district in BC without SLPO.
- Recap Staff Appreciation Event: Huge success, gifts certs given, kudos to Karin & Wendy et al for much work organising.
- Grad 2024: Grade 12 Volunteers and Grad Events: Meeting 4<sup>th</sup> March for first group meeting is set with VP, outgoing grad lead and new volunteers.

### 4. Treasurer Report (Kalina on behalf of Wendy)

- Outstanding Funding Allocations (Showcase Display). Corey re the display showcase. Group discussed this, that there may be some confusion about who should be leading the conversations to bring forth a

viable proposal for the PAC to consider. Shawn had liaised with Corey and woodshop teacher to discuss in-house built unit or at least by school district carpenters. Some work is needed to reduce the supply cost or labour cost. This would mean collaborating with other staff/admin. Sounds like teachers have not pursued this avenue. The showcase would need to be funded by parent donations (cannot be grants). Athletics/bus fund mentioned as an example of about \$5k/year set aside for a large bus expense. There needs to be a proposal next year that would fit the funding that is available, possibly building a fund over a number of years. PAC sentiment is that it isn't for the PAC nor admin to problem solve or figure out a plan for a large expense that's wanting PAC funds to be given for it. Agreed to send a message to the staff involved to provide a plan for inhouse build or alternative request.

- BCCPAC fee was paid by OBHS. Therefore this PAC may vote on issues in the upcoming AGM. BCCPAC (provincial PAC association) is holding their AGM May 3-5th, 2024 in Richmond. There are funds available from BCCPAC and VCPAC to cover costs associated with PAC delegates attending

**MOTION: *Be it resolved that PAC decline the display fund request* - Approved**

**ACTION:** Send message to staff re: display case to provide a plan for inhouse build or alternative request - Wendy or Kathryn

**ACTION:** Remind administration to advertise grad meeting in newsletter for grade 12 parents - James

**5. School District Level PAC Report** (James on behalf of Nyssa)

- Need volunteers on the VCPAC; any parent/guardian/grandparent, 2-3 meets per year, We'll advertise this more to our parents closer to the time for PAC upcoming vacancies: treasurer, secretary, chair.

**6. New Business**

**7. Adjournment**

**Next PAC Meeting: Monday, April 15**