



**MEETING OF THE PARENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE
OAK BAY HIGH SCHOOL**

MEETING MINUTES
MONDAY, November 18, 2024, 7:00pm, OBH CAFETERIA

Meeting called to order at 7:07pm

Attendees:

PAC Co-Chairs: Kalina Popova and James Chaney, PAC Treasurer: Melissa Donaldson, PAC Secretary: Krissy Johns, PAC Members at Large: Karin Sweeney, Karen Mayer, Beth Boyd, Craig Hickie, Krista Henry, Michelle Appleton Principal: Shawn Boulding

Territorial Acknowledgment and Welcome

Approval of the Minutes and the Agenda

MOTION: *Be it resolved that the Meeting minutes for October 21st be approved. (James, Krissy)*

Approved

MOTION: *Be it resolved that the Agenda for November 18th be approved. (James, Kalina)*

Approved

Minutes will be published in pdf and available on the school website.

Administrative updates from Shawn Boulding

- 1321 pop. 40 kids identify as Indigenous. More cultures being represented within the school.
- Student wellness
 - Student Learning Survey specific to Oak Bay being given to students.
 - YDI (Youth Development Instrument) - Survey for highschool students. Same as the MDI from middle schools, but geared for older students.
 - An In-school Committee decided wellness was still important to school community



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- Obligation to keep indigenous relations at the forefront of the school goals.
- School goals
 - District has student goals, and the school has adopted similar language for alignment purposes.
 - Pro-d days based on covering aspects of these goals. Team planning and staff meetings all have specific time set aside to discuss school goals.
 - Staff working to embed goals in learning to establish importance and demonstrate importance to students.
 - School goals are fluid. Website being updated.
- Student leadership programs
 - Leadership programs are being revitalised and invigorated. Fine arts, athletic, leadership numbers dropping. Staff are currently exploring reasons why.
 - Leadership is inside the timetable for gr 9s. Teaching leadership skills. 45 students engaged in leadership 9 (elective)
- Lots of speakers coming to gr 9-11 PHE classes. Project Respect is one.
- Last year - gang presentations across multiple schools. Police liaison officers are still under scrutiny and in the discovery process at the district level. Ministry working with the district to reach a solution.
- Not as many incidents with poor behavior this year. Fewer kids are concerned about this year.
- GHB and kids being dosed during outside of school social situations.
 - A couple families have reached out to admin as having been affected directly. Counsellors available for affected students if they wish.
 - More cases reported.



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- Admin reached out to police to see if the school needed to address the issue.
- Not many speakers available for this age group
- MYST coming Nov 27-28. One of the topics they will talk about is the GHB issue with teens at parties. Speak to gr 10-12
- Nov 25th - grad class movie night.
- Grad dance at school - Dec 12.
- Prom - May 23rd.
- Career Expo
 - 46 people came to talk to students about different careers. Fantastic event.

PAC Treasury Update

- Funding application disbursement for the 2024/2025 school year.
 - 8 applications received
 - **Athletics (400+ students)** - pay for sports fees. Requesting \$22 005 (other funding sources through student fees to cover the remaining ~\$50 000) **\$17500 gaming, \$5000 general Approved**
 - **Science/Bowker Creek Clean up (300 students)** - tools, equipment, plants, and compost. \$400 (No other funding sources.) **\$400 Approved**
 - **Band/Strings/Orchestra (450+ students)** - Replace 35 year old timpani \$21 000 is cost. Asking for whatever is available. (Other funding sources through department budget, Music PAC fundraising, and rental fees) **\$6000 Approved**
 - **Ceramics Club (15 students)** - Replace Pug Mill (for recycling clay) \$9732.80 (No other funding sources) **Not approved**



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- **Astronomy Club (15 students)** - Purchase solar filter (for daytime viewing). Requesting \$375 (\$50 additional funding through department budget) **\$375 Approved**
- **Oak Bay Awards (75 students)** - purchase, repair, and maintain awards and plaques. Requesting \$700 (No other funding sources) **\$700 Approved**
- **Oak Bay Choir (130 students)** - Uniform ties and bowties, extra uniforms, cymbals. Requesting \$1200. (Multiple potential outside sources, but amounts not determined as of yet) **\$1200 Approved**
- **Hobby Club and Ceramics Club (12 hobby, 15 ceramics students)** - Glass door bookcases to showcase works. Requesting \$2000. (No other funding sources) **\$2000 Approved**

MOTION: *Be it resolved that PAC hold back \$4000 after allocations. (Melissa, Kalina)*

Approved

- Treasurer has full access to all of the OBH PAC accounts.
- Currently, there is \$27 680 in the gaming account, \$5000 in the general account.
- All funding has been decided, and will be allocated as needed to the appropriate departments.

PAC Co-Chair update

- BC PAC - board has lots of vacancies. Need 2 VPs, treasurer, secretary. Nominations are open until Dec 2nd. If interested, you need a letter of referral from your local PAC.
- Anti racism is the focus this year. \$40 000 grant available that schools can access. No indication to the guidelines for applications.

VCPAC update

- Topics for this month: equity, inclusion and diversity - new committee



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- Looking for more parent participation
- Discussed tech allotments and lack thereof
- Climate action committee - looking for student participation. Will reach out to principals. Button on the website. You can be anonymous.
- Erase bullying
 - Mostly discussed the elementary and middle school levels

Krissy will post the link to the Zoom meetings directly on the sign-up sheet for ease of access. This can be found in the shared PAC Google drive under the VCPAC Updates folder

Other Business

Discussion:

MOTION: Be it resolved that PAC approve all honorariums for guest speakers/presenters of under \$200 and up to a combined amount of \$600. (Kalina, Krissy)

Approved

- Teacher appreciation
 - Jan 31st. ~125 staff
 - Typically do a bake donation. Parents bring baked goods. Coffee, and little gifts. Done flowers, chocolates and \$5GC to starbucks in the past.
 - Sign up genius will go out to parents. Try to get coffee from starbucks.
 - Gratitude theme (slight Valentines theme.)
 - For parents who want to help, Karin will put out a list of jobs.
 - Karin will ask for parents who want to donate gifts for a raffle.

MOTION: Be it resolved that \$700 be approved for teacher appreciation event costs. (James, Krissy)

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- A member stepped down from pac executive
- Parent Ed/presentations
 - Screenagers - Craig will bring back info.
 - Dane Nicholson Vicpd - they are interested in presenting, but connect with Natalie.
 - Bruce from ReconcilliACTION. Willing to come present at a future meeting.
 - Invited to January meeting for the first 15 minutes

Next Meeting:

January 20, 2025, 7:00 pm at Oak Bay High School in the cafeteria.

Meeting Adjourned at 9pm