



Queen Mary PAC Meeting Minutes

Date: Tuesday, April 9, 2019.

Attendees: Justin Morrison, Judy Yeung, Janine Kobylka, Rebecca Anderson, Tamara Knott, Chris Darvell, Scott Trinder, Dan Bartok, Michael Stephen

Regrets: Nazy Alborz, Angela Zi, Maria Koebsch, Megan Davies

Meeting commenced: 9:05am

1. Approval of Agenda

- **Moved by:** Dan Bartok
- **Seconded by:** Tamara Knott
- **Motion carried.**

2. Approval of March 12, 2019 Minutes

- **Moved by:** Judy Yeung
- **Seconded by:** Tamara Knott
- **Motion carried.**

3. Principal's Report – Megan Davies (not presented at meeting)

- Volunteer Appreciation Tea
 - April 25th, 10:30 – 11:30am
 - In appreciation of the people who support QM through PAC, classroom initiatives, school-wide initiatives, working individually with students, Safe Arrival, Sports teams, fundraising etc
 - All volunteers at QM are welcome to attend
 - School-wide email will be sent to families later this week
- Satisfaction Surveys
 - Grade 4 & 7 students and families
 - All staff
 - Looks at parent/guardian & staff opinions/satisfaction with education (at QM and provincially)
 - Survey is open until April 15th.
 - Letters went home to families on Friday
 - Info can be found here: <https://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/education-training/k-12/support/student-learning-survey>

- Upcoming parent/caregiver info nights through the VSB (Megan will send flyers or URLs to Justin for registration info)
 - April 10- SACY Youth & Vaping. 6:45 pm Kitilano Secondary.
 - April 16- ADHD in Youth, Session at VSB room 180, 6 pm VCH/ VSB hosting.
 - April 17- Responding to Challenging Behaviour, Garibaldi gym, 1025 Slocan Street, 6 pm VCH/ VSB hosting
 - April 30- Keeping Children Safe from Gangs, Ministry of Ed GRIP pilot, 6 pm at Windermere Secondary (registration link: <http://tinyurl.com/y2qmjtb4>)
 - May 2- Raising Digitally Responsible Youth, 7 pm Tupper Secondary auditorium <https://tinyurl.com/y39nfcpa>
- **Upcoming QM dates:**
 - April 19 – 22 – Easter Weekend
 - April 25th – Volunteer Tea
 - April 26th – Monthly Assembly – Earth Day focus
 - April 29th – Pro-D (Staff-wide nature walk)
 - May 1 – Performance – Metaphor Elements

4. Chair's Report – Justin Morrison

- Justin followed up with Oliver Hansen, VSB Trustee on SLP etc. – no answers yet
- April 23rd – Community consultation at Mount Pleasant – Justin will forward email
- State of school grounds
 - A lot of mess at front (5th Avenue) entrance to school – gravel field overflow, piles of dirt, litter etc.
 - Who looks after grounds and how can we address situation?
 - Can we organize a team to do a clean up? – Justin will discuss with Megan
- Concrete retaining wall around gravel field
 - It's a bit of an eyesore - what could be done to improve appearance?
 - Could decorate it with artwork – potentially with help of indigenous artist (reflect land we're on) and/or someone working with students to create art
 - Can look at Vancouver Mural Festival for ideas
- Teacher/Staff Appreciation Lunch – April 11
- Volunteer Appreciation Tea – April 25
- Trying to get David Eby to come speak – discuss school budgets, SLP funding etc.
- PAC is offering a lunchtime choir program, taught by Maria Koebsch, for students in grades 3-5, at a cost of \$25 per student.

MOTION: To approve up to \$400.00 from the Gaming Account to cover the portion of the lunch hour choir program not covered by student enrolment fees.

Moved by: Tamara Knott

Seconded by: Rebecca Anderson

Unanimous Approval – Motion carried

5. Treasurer's Report – Justin Morrison for Angela Zi – see attached report

- Total of \$12,000 for both accounts

6. DPAC Report – see DPAC website

7. Other Business

- Michael Stephen – Soil contamination in beds around school
 - Soil put into zigzag beds as well as garden beds in May 2017 – all contained plastic – common in Vancouver due to compost contamination
 - Green Team has been addressing the issue
 - Michael will meet with Megan and Mr. Atkinson to discuss solutions
 - Soil at QM doesn't meet standards but it was put in over a year ago so VSB/supplier is no longer obligated to replace it
 - Options going forward – contact supplier with evidence of contaminated soil and see if they'll act; organize work party to mechanically remove plastic or replace soil in beds completely; putting new soil over bad not a solution
 - Presents opportunity for kids to learn about recycling and keeping plastics out of organic waste
 - Michael offered to address issue at DPAC because it affects whole district
- PAC would like to organize talks on Social Media Education for kids and parents and on addressing anxiety in kids – Janine has contacted Jesse Miller (social media educator) and Bethany Michel (childhood anxiety specialist) and both are willing to present at QM.

MOTION from the floor: To approve \$420.00 from Gaming Account for Jesse Miller Social Media Education student presentations (2 x \$200.00 + GST) for Grades 4/5 & 6/7.

Moved by: Dan Bartok

Seconded by: Christine Darvell

Unanimous Approval – Motion carried

MOTION from the floor: To approve \$393.75 from General Account for Jesse Miller Social Media Education parent presentation (\$375.00 + GST)

Moved by: Christine Darvell

Seconded by: Scott Trinder

Unanimous Approval – Motion carried

8. Adjourn

- Meeting adjourned at 9:46am