

PAC Agenda / Meeting Minutes – October 17, 2022

Attendees: Gunay Balkis, Christine Dobbelsteyn, Nina Dobbin, Catherine French, Anna-Luise Gomm, Nicole Hennessy, Liliana Olteanu, Krista Scaligine, David Schaub, Yael Stav, Dorothy Watkins

Regrets: Kerry Alexander, Matt Clarke, Conni Vogelgaenger

- 1. Call to order - 7:20pm**
- 2. Territory Recognition**
- 3. Introductions (via text chat)**
- 4. Agenda (to be approved)** - Motioned Catherine French, Seconded Christine Dobbelsteyn, Passed unanimously
- 5. Minutes (to be approved)** - Motioned Krista Scaligine, Seconded Catherine French, Passed unanimously

- 6. Principal Report (Dorothy Watkins)** (see below)
 - a. Discussion on lack of SSAs in False Creek Elementary and across the VSB. The topic will be raised at the next DPAC by Christine Dobbelsteyn. We could also send a formal letter.

- 7. Committee Reports**
 - a. Social/Arts and Culture & Survey (see below) (David Schaub)
 - i. The most desired activities and interest in volunteering were movie night, school dance, skate night, which we would like to go ahead with
 - ii. If there are interest additional activities, we will require volunteers to help organize
 - iii. We may need to include some fundraising to support these items
 - b. Communication/Website (David Schaub)
 - i. Please let us know if there is anyone interested in submitting articles to Between the Bridges
 - c. Yearbook (David Schaub)
 - i. Parents that did not provide media permission will be contacted to confirm that they do not want their child's photo in the yearbook
 - ii. Question: Is the yearbook at risk of not getting published? It may be difficult to find photos that include only children that have the permission. Suggested approach: try to discuss with the parents that are not interested in including their child's photos. Miaka will also be attempting to contact the families. We will include this in the next PAC newsletter/email. It would be helpful if we can provide feedback to VSB

- d. Inclusivity & Diversity (Nina Dobbin)
 - i. We provided orange ribbons to tie on the fence for Truth & Reconciliation Day
 - ii. Further discussion regarding funding in the budget section
 - 1. Focused on promoting awareness on diversity issues, e.g, black shirt day, pink shirt day, rainbow day
 - 2. Would like to provide items like books, crayons, stickers, mural supplies to the students
 - 3. Would like to schedule a cultural or musical group

8. Old Business

- a. PAC lunch
 - i. PAC lunch program is underway with positive feedback so far
 - ii. There are some new volunteers participating on Tues Oct 18
- a. Halloween costume swap (see below)
 - It went well, however we will be more clear in the future that it is a fundraiser, not a swap
 - We raised and donated \$135 to Sheway
 - Will plan to do again next year
- b. Spirit wear management
 - Long term fundraiser to raise money towards physical textbooks and digital access to help students
- c. Coffee Friday (Oct. 28th)
 - Date updated to Oct 28th
- d. Parent Workshop - Saleema Noon Nov 29 (see below)

9. New Business

- a. Budget (see below) (to be approved) Motioned Krista Scaligine, Seconded Christine Dobbelsteyn, Passed unanimously
 - i. Nina volunteered to organize a Purdy's Easter fundraiser (with help)
 - ii. Krista will help investigate if we have False Creek sport jerseys and we will revisit whether or not we should purchase some
- b. Possible Music Programs (see below)
 - i. Email provided by Matt Clarke
 - ii. DPAC music program: <http://vancouverdpac.org/music>
 - iii. The plan is to have a proposal to discuss next meeting
- c. Seismic Upgrade Letter (see below)
 - i. We are still waiting on Ministry funding and public announcement of decision
- d. Set Next Meeting Date
 - i. Monday November 14th 7:15pm

- e. Cross country meet support
 - i. Gunay would like the PAC to purchase some nut-free snacks for the children to support their participation (Gunay will coordinate)
 - ii. Mr. Hanvey will bring the team jerseys for the children to wear

10. Meeting adjourned - Motioned Catherine French, Seconded Krista Scaligine, Passed unanimously - **9:22pm**

11. Attached Documents

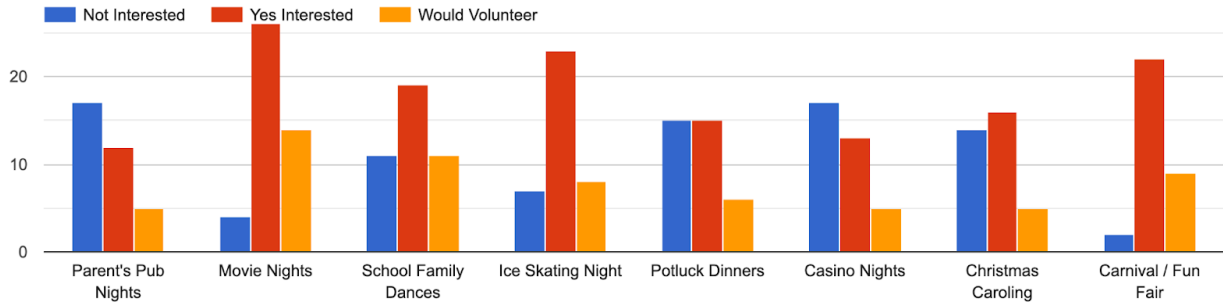
- A. Principal's Report**
- B. Parent Survey Results**
- C. Donation Receipt from SHEWAY (Halloween Costume Sale)**
- D. Saleema Noon Workshop**
- E. Budget**
- F. Message from Matt Clarke regarding a possible Music Program**
- G. Letter Received By Bradley Gagne From The Ministry**

A. Principal's Report:

Safety Drills	We have completed 1 fire drill and will be doing our first earthquake drill on Thursday. It is a teaching/learning experience for us all. We will be doing more of these training events throughout the year.
Performances	Both of our performances that have been booked were canceled due to performer illness. Squamish Stories will now be held on October 18 th . How Raven Stole the Sun will be on December 7 th .
Clubs	Chess Club starts next Monday. We will be launching an Art Club and Knitting Club in the near future.
Leadership Opportunities	Grade 6/7 students are helping the kindergarten students at lunch. The grade 4/5s have just running activities at lunch this week. False Creek students have been great leaders and contribute so much to the school community.
Staffing Issues	We have been impacted by lack of support staff in the district. It is a huge concern for the VSB, Metro Vancouver, and even throughout the province.
Foundation Skills Assessment	Grade 4 & 7 students begin these assessments this week if they have not been withdrawn by parents or exempted by teacher/principal as it would not be beneficial or cause undue stress/anxiety.
Sports	Soccer and Cross Country are winding down. Cross Country has the final meet this Thursday October 20. Volleyball begins this week (Grade 6/7, may be opened up to grade 5).
Halloween	On October 31 st , students may dress up if they wish. The usual rules apply- no weapons and be sensitive to cultural appropriation. Older students will discuss expectations in the classroom.
Photo Retakes	Wednesday, November 2 will be retake day. It will start at 9:00 am. There will be no other days for retakes. Later in the year we will have entire class photos.
My tenure	I will be here full time until November. I will then work part-time to ensure a smooth transfer for the school and the new Principal.

B. Parent Survey Results

Social Events



Proposed Ideas:

- *****School carnival/fair****** - I would love to help make this happen. I would also really like to see a Winter Holiday "christmas concert". But not asking for a denominational Christmas concert. Hopefully that makes sense.
- **A Fun Fair!**
- **Wreath/poinsettia fundraiser, Ice cream Fridays**
- **Student art exhibition**
- **Joint PAC fundraiser such as friendly basketball school v school.**
- **SWAP meet - chance for families to have a table to sell used items**
- **Bingo night,**
- **A Christmas bazaar but maybe an after school one outside with hot chocolate, waffles and mulled wine for the adults**

C. Donation Receipt from SHEWAY (Halloween costume sale):

SECURITY RECEIPT
REÇU À TEINTE DE SÉCURITÉ

Sheway
Box 101 - 533 E. Hastings
Vancouver, BC V6A 1P9
Tel: 604-216-1699 Fax 604-216-1699

RECEIVED FROM	DATE: <u>OCT 14/2022</u>	<u>336826</u>
REÇU DE	<u>PPIC OF FALSE CREEK ELEMENTARY</u>	
ADDRESS / ADRESSE	<u>FALSECREEKPAC @ GMAIL.COM</u>	
FOR POUR	<u>Halloween SWAP</u>	DOLLARS <u>\$135</u>
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TOTAL AMOUNT / MONTANT TOTAL	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> CASH / COMPTEANT \$ <u>135</u>	TAX REG. NO. / N° DE TAXE
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D. Saleema Noon Workshop



Talk Sex Today.

Body Science Boot Camp for Parents

Parenthood never arrives with a rulebook, and when it comes to explaining the world of sexual health to your child, it can be hard not to end up a bright shade of red. Using humor and straight talk in an open, interactive environment, Saleema Noon Sexual Health Educators will show you how easy it is to convey healthy, positive messages about sexual health to kids.

In this workshop parents will learn:

- Why we need to talk to children about sexual health at a young age
- How to reduce risk of child sexual abuse
- What children should know at each stage of development, with specific examples of how to explain concepts and processes
- How to become their kids' preferred source of sexual health information
- How to normalize open, honest sexual health conversations in their family
- How to effectively answer even the toughest questions kids ask
- What will be covered in Body Science workshops for students
- **This workshop will be delivered via live Zoom!**

Join us!

When: Nov 29, 2022

Time: 6:30 PM

Join Zoom Meeting (no registration)

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82116292272?pwd=V0Z1bWFHWTZ4Z2lyZ2E1UFBTb2o2UT09>

Meeting ID: 821 1629 2272

Passcode: 461597

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PAC BUDGET 2022-2023		
Summary of Profit/Loss	Budget	Actual
Revenue	\$ 31,150.00	\$ 8,254.96
Expenses	\$ (30,200.00)	\$ (195.72)
Profit/(Loss)	\$ 950.00	\$ 8,059.24
REVENUE	Budget	Actual
Gaming Grant (\$20 per student)	\$ 5,980.00	\$ 5,980.00
Direct Donation	\$ 8,000.00	\$ -
PAC Lunches	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 2,274.96
FCSNA Donation	\$ 1,000.00	\$ -
Fundraiser (Family Photos prior years)	\$ -	\$ -
Fundraiser (Lemonade Stand prior years)	\$ -	\$ -
Fundraiser (other-Purdy chocs)	\$ 1,000.00	\$ -
Yearbook	\$ 400.00	\$ -
Carry over from previous years (spend 50%)	\$ 11,262.00	\$ -
Carry over from previous years Gaming (100%)	\$ 508.00	\$ -
Bank interest	\$ -	\$ -
Total Revenue	\$ 31,150.00	\$ 8,254.96
EXPENSES	Budget	Actual
Arts and Culture		
Performances (all students in-school x 2)	\$ (500.00)	\$ -
VSO-all students field trip (\$10.50 per child)	\$ (3,150.00)	\$ -
Arts/culture (prev Hip Hop-prim; Bollywood-inter)	\$ (1,250.00)	\$ -
Seleema Noom workshop -	\$ (792.00)	\$ -
Knitting/Chess/Art clubs	\$ (400.00)	\$ -
Inclusivity events	\$ (1,700.00)	\$ (195.72)
Total	\$ (7,792.00)	\$ (195.72)
Sports and Recreation	Budget	Actual
Sports event 1 (previously gym,tennis,basketball)	\$ (750.00)	\$ -
Sports event 2	\$ (750.00)	\$ -
Sports event 3 (previously Swimming Grade 4)	\$ (650.00)	\$ -
Sports event 4	\$ -	\$ -
New Equipment	\$ (888.00)	\$ -
New Equipment	\$ (300.00)	\$ -

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Team Jerseys/Pinnies/event expenses	\$ (1,600.00)	\$ -
Bike Week	\$ (500.00)	\$ -
Total	\$ (5,438.00)	\$ -
Literacy		
	Budget	Actual
Library books	\$ (1,500.00)	\$ -
Classroom books	\$ (2,000.00)	\$ -
Library supplies	\$ (1,000.00)	\$ -
Total	\$ (4,500.00)	\$ -
Science and Technology		
	Budget	Actual
In class science workshops (all grades)	\$ (1,000.00)	\$ -
Upgrading computers/equipment	\$ -	\$ -
Garden club	\$ (500.00)	\$ -
Climate change	\$ -	\$ -
Total	\$ (1,500.00)	\$ -
Class Activities and Supplies		
	Budget	Actual
Field Trips (\$10 per student)	\$ (3,000.00)	\$ -
In class activities (\$300/class+resource+SSA)	\$ (4,250.00)	\$ -
In class supplies	\$ (1,000.00)	\$ -
Grade 6/7 year end camp (\$25 per student x 70)	\$ (1,750.00)	\$ -
Grade 7 year end celebration	\$ (600.00)	\$ -
Total	\$ (10,600.00)	\$ -
School Community Building events (\$0 net)		
	Budget	Actual
Skate Night	\$ -	\$ -
Dance	\$ -	\$ -
PACnic	\$ 50.00	\$ -
Sports Day	\$ -	\$ -
Movie Nights	\$ -	\$ -
Other (incl December Holiday event)	\$ -	\$ -
Total	\$ 50.00	\$ -
Administrative Fees		
	Budget	Actual
Supplies (paper, copying, stamps, etc)	\$ (50.00)	\$ -
Website	\$ (170.00)	\$ -
Retirement/Thank you gifts	\$ (200.00)	\$ -
Total	\$ (420.00)	\$ -

F. Message from Matt Regarding a possible Music Program

Re: FCE music program

False Creek PAC meeting Oct 17th

My name is Matt and I'm the father of Frankie Clarke in div. 7, grade 3. I also have another daughter, Parker, who will enter kindergarten at FCE in 2024. I'm sorry I can't make the meeting this evening and that I haven't been present at earlier meetings, but unfortunately I teach a theatre class on Monday nights at this exact time.

I'm reaching out tonight with a call to bring a music program to FCE. As involved parents I'm sure you're aware of the incredibly enriching experience of witnessing and participating in live music. I also probably don't need to express to you the amount of barriers to extra-curricular music programs in the area. What makes me more saddened is hearing from kids at other elementary schools about their school bands, choirs, ukulele clubs, recorder classes etc, as well as reflecting on my own elementary school experience in Vancouver (Emily Carr elementary grad '97) where I had access to a choir club, a band, and a weekly musical class where I learned to play basic holiday tunes on the glockenspiel. False Creek has simply never had any music programs consistently offered, I know this as my wife attended FCE as well as many friends over the last few decades. On the other hand, I also have a great memory of watching the kids all sing dance together in the Dr Seuss musical they did a few years back, but I understand that's a big task funding wise and more of a one-off event.

It's easy to cry out against overall school cuts or to cite other PACs that maybe get some extra financial support for arts programs. But I think working together towards something as simple as a lunchtime choir group is feasible and potentially enriching to the entire school, both to the kids that participate and the school community that watches them perform. Learning to harmonize our voices or instruments together is not just a lovely metaphor for creating school community, it's a practical offer in helping us raise the next generation of businesspeople, politicians, police officers, lawyers, judges, and maybe even musicians who knows? It's also, like sports and other arts activities, a place where kids can go to make friends and meet new people.

I would be happy to volunteer my time to help the PAC realize a music program at FCE if there is support and interest in collaborating.

Thanks,

Matt

mattparkerclarke@gmail.com

G. Letter Received By Bradley Gagne From The Ministry:



October 12, 2022

Ref: 283698

Bradley Gagne



Dear Bradley Gagne:

Thank you for your letter sent August 31, 2022, addressed to the Honourable Premier Horgan and Honourable Minister Eby, regarding False Creek Elementary and a new Olympic Village school. I am pleased to respond on their behalf, and I apologize for the delay in my response.

I understand and appreciate you sharing your concerns for the seismic safety of False Creek Elementary and capacity constraints in the False Creek neighbourhood. Seismically upgrading schools continues to be a high priority for government. Since September 2017, government has committed funding for 12 seismic projects in Vancouver with a value of \$325 million that will create almost 7,000 safe seats in the Vancouver School District (the District).

Earlier this year, the Ministry was pleased to support the District to complete a business case for the Sir Wilfred Grenfell Elementary seismic mitigation project. And following completion of negotiations between the City of Vancouver and the District on a school site in the Olympic Village neighbourhood, the Ministry was also pleased to support the District to initiate development of a Concept Plan for a new Olympic Village elementary school. Concept plans represent the first step of the business case development process, enabling the District to start to define the scope, schedule and budget for the project, to support an eventual funding decision by government.

Along with British Columbia's 59 other public school districts, the Vancouver School District recently submitted its 5-year Capital Plan to the Ministry for the 2023/2024 planning cycle. The District's submission includes seismic mitigation of False Creek Elementary as a top priority. The Ministry is currently reviewing all districts' requests for capital funding, with the outcome of the process becoming known following release of *Budget 2023*.

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Again, thank you for writing. I appreciate having the opportunity to review your comments.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Francois Bertrand". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large initial "F" and a long, sweeping underline.

Francois Bertrand
Executive Director, Capital Management Branch

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