

# Minutes for Stitó:s Lá:lém Totí:It PAC Meeting

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**Location:** Stitó:s School - Foods Room

**Date:** May 22, 2025

**Time:** 7:00pm

**Attendees:** Melissa Benz (Secretary), Deirdre O'Connor (Fundraising Coordinator), Amanda Esau (Popcorn Coordinator), Amanda Gervais (Treasurer), Melissa Hill (Vice Chair), Stacey Gould (DPAC Rep), Shannon Carswell, Vickie Lapierre, Brian Leong (Chair), Jacqui White, Esther Maloney, Jason Kemp (Principal).

Meeting called to order at 7:02pm, followed by territorial acknowledgments, a welcome to attendees and introductions.

Motion to approve the minutes from the April meeting as amended by Brian Leong and seconded by Esther Maloney. None opposed, motion carries.

- Discussed that reports should not be added to meeting minutes if no one was there to present it.

Motion to approve the general meeting agenda, amended to hold the AGM first by Jacqui White and seconded by Amanda Esau. None opposed, motion carries.

Motion to approve the AGM meeting agenda by Brian Leong and seconded by Esther Maloney. None opposed, motion carries.

General Meeting closed at 7:15pm to hold the AGM, then reconvened at 7:45pm.

## **Principal's Report (Jason Kemp):**

- Sports Teams
  - o Middle: Track and Field and Girls Soccer
    - Grades 6 and 7 teams stay local, and grade 8 and above are part of BC Sports and can travel within the province. This can mean higher costs.
  - o Elementary: Track and Field
  - o Intramurals: Dodgeball just wrapped up
- Transitions
  - o School visits have all happened for grade 8 students going into high school.
  - o Parent night next week for new parents.
- Since field trip permission forms started being done online, the pay rate has gone from 73% to 95%.
- Grade 6 Immunizations will take place on June 11<sup>th</sup>, and grade 8s can get immunizations they may be missing on June 9<sup>th</sup>.
- Grade 8 celebration will be on June 19<sup>th</sup> during the day.
- Sports day for Middle on June 25<sup>th</sup> and for Elementary on June 23<sup>rd</sup>.
- Police checks can now be done online and you will need a BceID. This will be valid within the school district now instead of only by school.

## **Chair Report (Brian Leong):**

- Election results for the 2025/2026 school year are as follows;
  - o Chair: Brian Leong
  - o Vice Chair: Esther Maloney

- Secretary: Jacqui White
- Treasurer: Amanda Gervais
- DPAC Representative: Stacey Gould
- Fundraising Coordinator: Melissa Hill
- Popcorn Coordinator: Amanda Esau

### **Treasurer's Report (Amanda Gervais):**

- Report Attached
  - General Account available balance: \$14,607.65
  - Gaming Account available balance: \$3,011.48
- Amanda Gervais motions to have Melissa Benz and Melissa Hill removed as signors for both the General and Gaming accounts, and to have Jacqui White and Esther Maloney added as signors for both the General and Gaming accounts. Seconded by Brian Leong. All are in favor – motion carries.
- Profits from the West Coast Seeds fundraiser are \$379.84, but the funds have not yet been received via direct deposit.
- Grade 5 hoodies;
  - A previous motion was approved to spend up to \$650 towards grade 5 students who wanted to purchase a hoodie. As no discount was applied to the cost of the hoodies, the full \$650 allocated towards this expense should be divided equally among the 34 hoodies purchased, minus the \$86.51 in fees. PAC will write a cheque to the school, which can then be divided and put into the student's QuickPay accounts.
- Amanda Gervais motions to spend up to an additional \$100 for the Extra-Curricular Program Assistance line item from the General Account. Seconded by Amanda Esau. All are in favor – motion carries.

### **Fundraising Report (Deirdre O'Connor):**

- West Coast Seeds Fundraiser earned approximately \$379.00
- Spring Purdy's Fundraiser earned \$144.64
- Online Volunteer sign-up created with [www.signup.com](http://www.signup.com)
- Mabels Labels Fundraiser is perpetual
- Promo items such as flyers and QR codes will be ready for kinderfair
- Thank you to Melissa Hill for helping with the bake sale and basketball concession!
  - The basketball tournament will happen at Stitó:s again next year.
  - Can we try to have more advertising for future events?
- Fundraisers can be advertised in the calendar on the school's website.

### **DPAC Report (Stacey Gould):**

- DPAC's AGM meeting to be held on May 29<sup>th</sup>, with food from Greek Islands.
  - Katie Bartel has been nominated for a BCCPAC award.
- A trustee has brought forward a motion to include "Academic Achievement" to the Core Values as part of the current Strategic Plan review being conducted.

- The timing of this is unfortunate as much of the parent engagement has already taken place for this review. This makes it difficult to amend working copies.
- If there are less members on the DPAC, this could mean less support from DPAC to PACs in the form of presentations etc...
- Summer learning registration is open now on the school district website.
- Bus registration is still open.
- Earlier this year, the DPAC conducted a poll asking parents what advocacy they would like to see from the DPAC. A letter regarding EA Support has been drafted and PACs are to decide if they would like to sign this letter to the School Board, Teacher's Association and Minister of Education. The letter includes some of the following points;
  - The province is reducing their committed number of EAs in schools,
  - EAs are critical in schools,
  - EAs provide extra eyes and ears in classrooms,
  - EAs reduce the overburden of teachers,
- Stacey Gould motions for Stitó:s to sign the EA letter. Deirdre O'Connor seconds. Deirdre O'Connor abstained from voting, and Melissa Hill recused herself from the discussion and vote. All others are in favor, motion carries.

#### **New Business:**

- Sports Days need approximately 10 to 12 volunteers per event. Amanda Gervais to be the contact person for both events and anyone interested can sign up online.
  - This year's menu for both of the sports days includes pizza by the slice, hot dogs, chips and donuts.
- Ms. Preibisch is holding a parent night with part 2 of the Digital Safety presentation, and would like to partner with the PAC again. This will be held on June 3<sup>rd</sup> from 6-8pm, and she would like a PAC member there as part of the introduction.
  - Amanda Gervais motions to spend up to \$100 from the Teacher Request budget line item to purchase snacks and drinks for this. Seconded by Melissa Benz. All in favor, motion carries.

Meeting adjourned at 9:08pm

Next meeting to be held on Thursday, June 12, 2025 at 7pm.