



WGSS PAC Meeting Minutes
FINALIZED

Thursday, January 9, 2024

7:02 – 7:30 PM
WGSS LIBRARY

PAC Executive Anuschka Brhelle (President), Steven Northrup (Vice President), Karen Roeck (Secretary)
Parents K Brown, M Cunnold, J Dennis, A Flint, L Klager, D Liu
Staff Mr. Jeremy Lyndon (WGSS Principal)

1 Call to Order

1.1 Call to Order

A Brhelle called the meeting to order at 7:02pm, welcomed parents and staff. Introductions and quorum determined. A Brhelle gave the territorial acknowledgement.

1.2 Regrets

Julie Croft (Treasurer), Kristen Faulkner (DPAC Rep).

2 Approval Items

2.1 Agenda – Tuesday, January 9, 2024

MOTION	TO approve the Tuesday, January-9-2024 WGSS PAC meeting agenda
CARRIED	K Brown / S Northrup

2.1 Minutes – Tuesday, November 7, 2023

MOTION	TO approve the Tuesday, November-7-2023 WGSS PAC meeting minutes
CARRIED	S Northrup / A Flint

3 Reports

3.1 Administration

Happy New Year to all! Hope the break went well.

Feeding Futures Update: Some SEAs have been hired and assigned to roll out the Feeding Futures program.

Lots of success with fall athletics. Some teams won EVAAs, and some went to provincials and represented Gator Athletics. Great job by student leadership at the pep rally - well organized, well received. WGSS is so large that the whole school cannot gather at once, so students sign up voluntarily to attend. Approximately 1000 students in attendance.

Christmas concert was packed (second concert of the year where parents packed out the bleachers). Departmental Christmas trees in the foyer - winner was a tree by the home ec department made to look like a Starbucks coffee. There was a noticeable change in atmosphere and attitude the first day after decorations were set.

Tell Them From Me Survey was rolled out with students (email notification to families). GQs partnered with the RCMP to run a food drive. Grad pancake breakfast, and Christmas assemblies all went well.

Since we went so late to December 22, we came back late and there are only 2.5 weeks left until the end of semester. Last day of classes is January 25 and then there are three transition days. All Grade 9s will present their mini-capstones in the morning on January 26, then Grade 12s will present CLC in the afternoon. On January 29, Grade 7s will come in for an orientation. January 30 is the turnaround day for staff to prepare starting Semester 2 on January 31.

Graduation assessments occur next week (literacy, numeracy, French Immersion). Art showcase in the library next week.

Already thinking about 2024-2025 course planning, parent nights. Visit the [WGSS Course Guide](#) website for more details - there is a ton of information on there.

3.2 President / VP

Nothing to report from the President or VP.

3.3 Treasurer

A Brhelle presented on behalf of J Croft.

Thank you to all who were present at the November PAC meeting to vote on

funding applications.

We received a donation from Cobs Bread of over \$400.00.

At the beginning of December, the Gaming Commission sent an audit form. We sent it back the next day, and all is well.

Bank balances as of December 31, 2023:

PAC account: \$1,700.47

Gaming account: \$14,522.15

3.4 DPAC

A Brhelle presented on behalf of K Faulkner.

Grade 12 scholarship deadline is February 15, 2024.

The District has prepared a response to DPAC's information request regarding allocation of funds for learning support services (educational assistants and resource teachers). The presentation will take place at this month's DPAC meeting, which will be online, Thursday, January 18 at 7:00pm, and will be recorded for anyone who cannot attend. Details will be on Facebook.

4 Old Business

4.1 Nothing to report.

5 New Business

- 5.1 Presentation by Ms. Erika Fediuk from the Ministry of Children and Families (South Fraser Region), regarding the needs for foster parents (full-time and relief).
- 5.2 Parent complaints regarding the parking situation in front of the school. This is not a problem unique to WGSS. Ideas for solutions: students can walk, or drivers should try to avoid coming to the parking lot 15 minutes before/after the end of school bell.
- 5.3 The PAC will be opening up a second round of funding to any clubs/student societies that have not yet requested or received gaming grant funds. Clubs/student societies that were not approved during the November round of funding applications are welcome to reframe their requests and re-apply. The deadline for request submissions is Monday, January 15 at 3:00pm. The Executive will vet requests for eligibility and submit requests to a vote by the membership at the February 27 PAC meeting.

6 Ongoing Business

- 6.1 Staff Appreciation Lunch to be held on Friday, April 22 on the Design and Assessment Day.

7 Correspondence

7.1 PAC Facebook Page: Please follow our page and invite others to do so.

7.2 PAC Website: wgsspac.ca

8 Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 7:30pm.

MOTION	THAT the WGSS PAC meeting be adjourned
CARRIED	S Northrup / A Bhrelle

Next meeting: Tuesday, February 27, 2024 - **please note deviation from regular date**