

WGSS PAC Meeting Minutes
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Tuesday, February 11, 2025
7:00–7:41 pm
WGSS Library

PAC Executive	Anuschka Bhelle (President), Steven Northrup (Vice President), Amy Olson (DPAC Representative), Jared Dennis (DPAC Representative), Itzel Symonds (Member at Large)
Parents	Shiravi Khera, Linda Cheng
Staff	Mr Jeremy Lyndon (WGSS Principal)

1. Call to Order

1.1 Call to Order

A Bhelle called the meeting to order at 7:01 pm and welcomed parents and staff. Introductions and quorum determined. A Bhelle gave the territorial acknowledgement.

1.2 Regrets

Karen Roeck (Secretary), Julie Croft (Treasurer)

1.3 Reminder

PAC meetings are run according to Robert's Rules of Order. With the exception of presenters and invited speakers, we will be limiting each person to two minutes so that everyone has an opportunity to speak and to keep the meeting on time.

2. Approval Items

2.1 Agenda – Tuesday, February 11th, 2025

MOTION	TO approve the Tuesday, February 11 th , 2025 WGSS PAC meeting agenda
CARRIED	Steven Northrup/A Bhelle

2. Minutes – Tuesday, January 14th, 2025

MOTION	TO approve the Tuesday, January 14 th , 2025 WGSS PAC meeting minutes
CARRIED	S Northrup / A Bhelle

3. Reports

3.1 Administration

Justine Pope is now administrative assistant; she will be the primary contact for PAC. Semester turnaround. Capstone presentations on turnaround days for Grade 9s and 12s. Grade 7s came, will be around 360 expected to attend in Grade 8.

Seniors night for basketball last week. Over a dozen kids graduating from the basketball team this year.

Course planning. Staff working hard to get the website up to date. Doing course planning assembly starting tomorrow at 9:45. Each grade will have a specific video that teachers will play for them. Then will load all that onto the website. On Thursday, will have grade 7 open house starting at 5:30 for French immersion. 6:00 open house. 7:00 start in the gym and staff will do the presentation. The Grade 9/10 presentation will happen in the library at 7:00. The grade 11/12 presentation will happen in the cafeteria at 7:30.

Diversity, equity and inclusion week coming up. Qwalena (3 Crows Productions) Presentation coming in for grade 11s and 12s. Mature type of presentation, deals with anti-racism, Indian Act, intergenerational impact of residential schools. Student clubs will also be doing various things.

Review of course planning website. Everything is due February 21st. Will go live on Thursday, Feb 13th.

Review of school counsellors and role. They are in the role of triage. If a student is self-harming or having self-harming thoughts, they refer to services. They don't have the capacity or time to take on full time therapy of students (they have the training), so they are good at assessing things and connecting with parents, offering support, and what might be available in the community. The counselling website has a lot of resources to access. If a parent is ever concerned about mental health they can call the counsellor or VP. Anuschka will put this information in the Gator news with links for parents.

3.2. President

Nothing to report.

3.3. Vice President

Nothing to report.

3.4 Treasurer

There are two GICs of \$1500 for a total of \$3,000 that will redeem in February 2025 for the scholarships for this June. Another GIC will redeem next February 2026 for the next scholarships which next years PAC will decide upon.

3.5 DPAC

Jared share that he missed attending the last DPAC meeting. Jared did do some research on AEDs and learned that they are not a required item in schools according to the BC Ministry of Education. Mr. Lyndon shared that Langley School District is talking about it right now as they were asking WGSS if they have one and how they obtained it. Question came up if it is required for Worksafe. Mr. Lyndon doesn't think it is a requirement for Worksafe. Amy Olson will bring it up at the next DPAC meeting.

4. New Business

4.1 Mr Lyndon shared that WGSS possibly has someone to replace the plants upstairs, will hopefully get the waterproofing done over spring break and will replant some plants. It has been two years since they were removed. PAC had allocated funds for this some time back.

5. Ongoing Business

5.1 Teacher appreciation breakfast. Last year the PAC provided breakfast for the staff last April 2024. Will plan to do a breakfast again. Mr. Lyndon will find a date that works and get back to the PAC.

6. Correspondence

6.1 Please like and follow the WGSS PAC Facebook page and the PAC website: <https://www.wgsspac.ca/>

7. Questions from Parents

7.1 Next DPAC meeting for February 20th is virtual – not in person as originally scheduled.

8. Adjournment

8.1 The meeting was adjourned at 7:41 pm.

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

8.2 Next meeting: Tuesday, April 8th, 2025 at 7:00 pm