

**Hudson PAC Meeting Minutes
February 22, 2017 6:30 PM
Hudson Elementary School Library**

Called to order by Alan, filling in for Robert

Minutes for December 7, 2016 approved
Motion made by Alan, seconded by Lisa, Accepted

Minutes for January 25, 2017 Approved
Motion made by Dana, seconded by Victoria, Accepted

PAC interim chair report – Alan, filling in for Robert

Seismic update: Alan reported on a conversation with Jansen Ho, Director of the Project Office which oversees all VSB seismic mitigation work.

Mr. Ho is aware that Hudson is on the list for the next round of seismic projects. There is no specific timeline available; the earliest he thinks work on Hudson could start is 2018, but this depends heavily on how quickly it takes to complete work on other projects already in progress.

Once a project has begun, there are two stages – assessing the scope of work required, proposing options with estimated costs to the Ministry of Education and obtaining approval and funding for one option (typically at least 2 years) – and detailed design, City permitting and actual construction (typically around 4 years).

So we can anticipate that Hudson's seismic upgrade process will take at least 6 years and begin no earlier than 2018.

The silver lining is that there is no basis for the VSB to justify delaying maintenance work at Hudson on the grounds that a seismic upgrade is imminent.

PAC executive transition planning: Alan advised that this will be his last term on the PAC executive and invited anyone interested in the work of the vice-chair (external) to contact him

Principal's report Ian Cannon

Supreme Court Case restored the old class sizes and numbers of special needs students

That means that Hudson is short by 1,2, or 3 classes for next year

Likely the staff room and the lunchroom will be altered to make more classrooms
No more K/1 Splits

We should still be able to have kitchen and hot lunch

FSA completed with highest number of students participating

4 people who are participating in SFU program for SSW's to become teachers will be in the school they are a good resource. Will be back in September for extended practicums

Head Lice in some classes, notices sent to all in class
Please let the school know if you find

Treasurers' report Dana

Profit of \$15,000 for Hot Lunch more likely than target of \$18,000

Arts and Sports Enrichment Need to pin down final costs for programs

Technology

Looking for document cameras, which project real objects in 3D/ visiting high schools to see what they use

School Planning Council Report Victoria

SPC will meet after Spring Break

Victoria noted it is generous of Mr Cannon to continue the practice of meeting with parents to share information and get input on School Goals

DPAC Rep report Alan

DPAC Exec Meetings (on the second and fourth Thursday of each month, open to all parents)

At tomorrow's meeting the BC Hydro proposal to build two new schools downtown in exchange for a new substation beneath Nelson Park will be discussed. A thorough letter to the VSB responding to this proposal has been prepared by the Lord Roberts Annex PAC and the West End Families Network, along with a petition. Links to these will be posted in the next set of weekly reminders

Parent Advocacy Network

Sunday February 26 – discussion of the education spending proposed in the next provincial budget with representatives from the Liberal, New Democratic and Green Parties. Details were included in the last set of weekly reminders

BCC PAC

April 4th –all candidates forum on provincial education issues. Seating for the event (in Burnaby) is very limited, but the forum will also be live streamed on the BCCPAC website.

AGM in May

More information on each of these events will appear in the weekly reminders as it becomes available

Committee Updates

Hot Lunch Program Marina B

Things are going well
Term 3 Menus finalized
Should be online before spring break
March 28 first service for HL
Need more volunteers for Term 3
Will post in Reminders
first day is covered with regulars

Spirit Committee (Carly)

Teachers Keeping a record of those who wear red on Spirit Days, 133 last time
Talked about having PAC presence at home sporting events

Safety and social responsibility Alan

Anyone interested in investigating what would be involved in installing a "Buddy bench" at Hudson is invited to contact the PAC executive.

Grounds Committee (Vacant)

Make the "parent clean up" a regular event
one a month Carly
Thank you's
Graffiti

In School Activities, Sport, & Culture Nina

Gymnastics
Arts umbrella drama fees outstanding
Badminton fees outstanding
iRide separate budget line item
Drummer (2 days)
Milton Randall
K-7 equal involvement
Gym schedules
June PE classes outside
Majority of Classes involved
Arts umbrella visual arts
More expensive because of materials
Uptake from 3 classes
Classes who hadn't spent field trip funds
teachers choosing to be involved

Tradition/rethink?/physical activities/1 per term/
hip hop/parkour/ part of PE unit

Bard connections
Senior groups help fund this year pilot

We should try to begin to document feedback from students and parents
Nina worked hard to get Arts Umbrella Grants
\$200 per class
\$20 / each
2 classes who want Bard other classes no
Not every class offered

Communications Nicola

Survey
website

Public Education Support Committee Alan

Working to begin providing information on advocacy initiatives and events using the PAC website

Speakers Committee Victoria

Hudson alumni
Teacher 1969 - on
50 years ago student Paralympian

Babysitting roster Alan

The general babysitting roster and the PAC childminding roster will be updated next term once more students have had an opportunity to complete a babysitting course
Info on local babysitting courses was distributed in the last weekly reminders
The current 4 stalwarts of our PAC childminding group are all graduating this year

PAC Led Activities/Events Nina

Summer Fair/BBQ
Food - in house
popsicle sale - Therese
Pre-ticket sales/know how much we can spend
Proposal next meeting

School Led Activities/Events

Extra Curricular Activities Committee Nicola

March 5 new page on website
Range of activities
CST Led After School Activities

School term 3 PE

Rugby Canada
All kids
South African 7s team

Ms Tso & Ms Adada wrote a grant
Artist in residence for their classes
mask / shadow box / gallery quality

April 26, 2017 next meeting

Nicola motion to adjourn
John seconded
Adjourned
