

Henry Hudson PAC

January PAC Meeting

January 25, 2021

Call to order at 7:12pm

Welcome and Introductions

We recognize that we are gathered on the unceded territory of the Skxwú7mesh [Squamish], xʷməθkʷəyəm [Musqueam], and səliłw̓ ətaʔt [Tseil-Waututh] peoples. We acknowledge that Henry Hudson Elementary is just over 100 metres from the lands and village site of Sen'ákw orsən'aʔqw [pronounced Senawk] from which Squamish people were sent away by illegally forcing them to sell their land in 1913, the year after Hudson was completed.

November Meeting Minutes

Accepted by David, Laura seconded

Meeting Notes

New Hot Lunch Program

- The PAC Executive is launching a new Hot Lunch program with vendor C'est Mon Café beginning Friday, January 28
- Sponsorships are available for families experiencing financial challenges. Parents can email the school Principal, (srondestvedt@vsb.bc.ca) directly. All requests will be treated confidentially

Guest Speaker - Eric Sing, C'est Mon Café <https://www.cestmoncafe.com/>

- They have run a hot lunch program for local schools for more than 10 years
- Started with Bayview elementary and now more than 20 schools have signed up
- Lunch will be delivered to the school in insulated bags sorted by division. Students leaders will (carefully) deliver them to classrooms
- They will come back and pick up the insulated bags 1 hour later. Bins are available for collection if needed
- Ordering cutoff is 6pm day before hot lunch day (Tuesdays and Fridays)
- Parents should wait for an invoice by email before sending payment

Regina Vosahlo, Vice Principal

- Regina spoke about Communication Student Learning (CSL) which is the way the district reports student progress
- Her presentation can be viewed on the PAC website:
<https://www.hudsonpac.ca/meetings/>

Seismic Update

- Last communication with the VSB and Seismic Office was before the holidays and at that time everything was on schedule. Construction is set to begin this spring, but there is no firm start date yet. Fencing will then go up around the field and staff parking lot. Permits are in the approval process. Should have an update in about 3 weeks

DPAC Update

- The monthly DPAC meeting is this week on Thursday at 7pm via Zoom
- DPAC is also currently hosting a special meeting every Monday to discuss the impact of omicron. There is lots of Q&A on how schools are handling it. The school board is invited to these meetings. They are worth checking out for parents who have any concerns related to COVID
- All meetings are open to parents, they can register to attend on the DPAC website: <http://vancouverdpac.org/2021-2022-school-year>

Principal's Update

- Sonja spoke about Functional Closures and gave a COVID 19 Update. Her presentation can be viewed on the PAC website:
<https://www.hudsonpac.ca/meetings/>
- It is a district level decision for Functional Closures and Vancouver Coastal Health (VCH) decision for Health Closures
- Notification letters will not come out for individual cases in classes, VCH will issue a letter only if an attendance threshold has been met for a class/school. The school cannot send notification letters out on its own
- Questions about how is school currently doing? It is comparable to the normal cold and flu season at this time of year. Parents are doing an amazing job keeping kids with symptoms at home
- If a student starts showing symptoms at school their teacher contacts the office which calls home immediately for pickup. Students stay in the first aid area or in separate room while waiting to be picked up
- Parents should check the BCCDC website for updates on testing
- The school has a small supply of spit and gargle tests available. Parents can request one and drop it off at the Children's Hospital testing site
- Question about HEPA filters? Merv filters are used. Upgrades have been made and filters changed in all classrooms. See the VSB website for more info

Other Business

- None

Meeting adjourned at 8:24pm. Motioned by Josh, David seconded.