

# Minutes

POINT GREY SECONDARY SCHOOL		
1.19.2016	7:00 pm	Staff Room
Meeting called by	Esther Kwok	
Type of meeting	PAC meeting	
Secretary	Karen Aiouch	
Attendees	Esther Kwok, Karen Aiouch, Nikki Penner-Horodyski, Joan Blanchard, Fan Chun, Greg Anstruther.	
Item 1. Adoption of minutes		
Adoption of the agenda: Motion by Karen Aiouch, seconded by Esther Kwok. Adoption of the November 17, 2015 Meeting's Minutes: Motion by Nikki Penner-Horodyski, seconded by Joan Blanchard.		
Item 2. Principal's report		

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- Happy New Year to all the parents and students.
- Welcome to Ms. Celeste Pante who joined the Point Grey administration as a Vice-Principal effective January 1<sup>st</sup>.
- Congratulations on a successful PAC bottle drive held on January 9<sup>th</sup>. \$500 was raised.
- Thanks to PAC for supporting staff and students with gaming funds grants.
- As we enter the new calendar year, planning for the next school year, 2016-17, intensifies.
- Grade 7 Parent Information Night happened January 12<sup>th</sup>. We tried a different format with a short presentation in the auditorium followed by an Open House. Thanks to PAC for providing dinner for the staff volunteering their time and for their presence with a table at the main entrance.
- Mini School will be holding its Grade 8 Science Fair on January 26<sup>th</sup> at 6:30pm in Room 452.
- Students in grades 8-11 will be doing course planning for next year during the months of January and February. Grade counsellors will be leading them through this process. Course planning night for parents will be on February 2<sup>nd</sup> at 6:30pm. Also, the Fine Arts and Home Economics departments will be doing a Soup Bowl Night from 5:30-6:30pm in the staff room. It is a fundraiser for Covenant House. A \$20 donation will get you a hand-made soup bowl (which you can keep) as well as all of the soup and bread you can eat.
- On January 19, the school hosted an articulation breakfast for grade 7 teachers and administration from our feeder schools. The purpose is to let them know about our grade 8 program, provide registration forms, and to set up visits to the grade 7 classes.
- On January 13<sup>th</sup>, the Principal spoke to the Quilchena PAC to highlight the excellent programs available to their children entering grade 8 at Point Grey.
- We are changing our honour roll recognition. Parents will be notified via SynerVoice. The list of students on the Honour Roll and Principal's List will be displayed outside the office. Students who are on the Honour Roll for both terms 1 and 2 are awarded a certificate at the awards assembly at the end of the year. Students on the Principal's list will be given a recognition card at a separate lunchtime ceremony. Students with an 80% or higher average in their courses make the honour roll. Those students in the top 10% of their grade make the Principal's list. Also, those students with outstanding work habits are recognized on the Greyhound Effort Roll if they have all G's or E's for the work habit in all of their courses.
- Band to Loon Lake from Jan. 27-29 while choir is there Jan. 29-31.
- Ms. Bone has gone on maternity leave. Ms. Ann Chen will be filling in for her for the balance of this school year.
- Block rotation starts February 1<sup>st</sup>. The new rotation is 2,1,4,3 (morning blocks flip and afternoon blocks flip).
- Optional interims mailed home Tuesday, February 2<sup>nd</sup>. Not every student will get one.
- Cross-boundary applications accepted from February 1<sup>st</sup> to February 26<sup>th</sup>.
- February 9<sup>th</sup> is a District Professional Development Day. School will not be in session for students. This follows the February 8<sup>th</sup> Family Day holiday.
- Mini School will be off to Manning Park from February 10-12.
- Point Grey and district staff are in the process of planning for implementation of the new K-9 curriculum. Further discussions will take place on March 4<sup>th</sup> and April 15<sup>th</sup> (non-instructional days provided to facilitate the implementation of the new curriculum mandated for September 2016).

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<b>Item 3. Chair's report</b>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• The Bottle Drive: 6 ELL students &amp; parents volunteered. The money raised will be used to the promotion of the Lunar Year Celebration (Dumpling night). Today, on January 19, we had our first Chinese luncheon. The Lunar Year Celebration is not intended only to the Chinese community, other Asiatic populations celebrate it too. All the kids will get a fortune cookie. This year we will not organize a dragon dance, but a paper cut activity. We have award-winning Chinese singers &amp; dancers within our students, so we will solicit them to perform during the lunch on Feb. 18<sup>th</sup>.</li><li>• The PAC execs met on January 5 and approved several funds requests. Our funding focus this year is to help teachers who sponsor students / affect a large population of students. This year, for the first time, we decided to accept the applications throughout the year until May. We have approved, among the 20+ applications: Mathematics (contests), grade 8 orientation camp, PGMS, fields strip for LifeSkills, counselling presentations. Some of the applications who have been rejected will be reviewed for our General Funding allocation.</li><li>• Tonight, we welcome Stacy and Caroline for a presentation on stress.</li></ul>	
<b>Item 4. Adjournment</b>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Motion to adjourn by Greg Anstruther, seconded by Fan Chun. Adjournment at 19:37pm.</li></ul>	

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## PAC Meeting

January 19, 2016, at 7:00 pm in the staffroom

### Agenda

1. Adoption of November 2015 minutes Elizabeth Chang
2. Principal's Report Kal Gill
3. Chair's Report Esther Kwok/ Elizabeth Chang
4. Adjournment

Introduction to Special Presentation: Brain Boost (Elizabeth Chang)