

# Minutes

POINT GREY SECONDARY SCHOOL		
11.18.2014	7:00 pm	Staff room
Meeting called by	Esther Kwok	
Type of meeting	PAC meeting & presentation	
Secretary	Karen Aiouch	
Attendees	Esther Kwok, Karen Aiouch, Elizabeth Chang, Fan Chun, Emma Li, Mei Chong, Nancy Wang, Jenna Somek, Larisa Oproescu, Christina Bolznek, Jane Zhou, Toupti Patel, Tina Zhai, Nancy Xu, Abu Meher, Marina Yu, Jessica Wang, Shannon Quinn, Helen Song, Tracy Yuen, Farah Shroff, Susana Farinha, Evlyn Morrism, Naama Rozen.	
<b>Item 1. Welcome</b>		
<p>The meeting will be followed by a presentation by guest professors from the University of British Columbia (UBC) and the British Columbia Institute of Technology (BCIT). Topic: How to prepare your child for the changes faced in the post secondary schools? The difference between high school, universities, and technical schools.</p>		
<b>Item 2. Principal's report</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Remembrance Day Assemblies held at the school on November 7<sup>th</sup> –involved a collaboration of the choir, strings, and the Social Studies department.</li> <li>• Optional interim reports mailed home Nov. 7<sup>th</sup>.</li> <li>• 49 Point Grey students won a \$1,000 provincial scholarship in 2014 (based on exam scores in En10, Ma10, Sc10, SS11, En12 as well as final mark in En12)—this was approximately 20% of the graduating class. 5,000 awards are given out for the province. 2013: 53 Point Grey students. 2012 79 Point Grey students.</li> <li>• Two of our Life Skills students did a great job selling their clay figurine art at West Vancouver's Craft Market on Nov. 16<sup>th</sup>, they will also host a craft sale in the school on Dec. 10<sup>th</sup>.</li> <li>• An overflow audience came to the Mini School Information night on November 4<sup>th</sup>—the school will receive from 350 to 400 applications for 30 spaces in next year's Mini 8 group. It is one of the original Mini Schools, which started in 1979.</li> <li>• A couple hundred parents and students attended a PAC-organized scholarship presentation by Brittany Palmer (Unlock your future) on November 3<sup>rd</sup>.</li> <li>• Grade 12 students busy with course work, applying for post-secondary studies, and applying for scholarships.</li> <li>• Pt. Grey participating again in the Martin Aboriginal Education Initiative which provides mentorship opportunities for Pt. Grey Aboriginal students.</li> <li>• Thanks to PAC for supporting teacher requests through gaming funds and other PAC funds. This really helps teachers to support your students beyond the limited funding from the government.</li> <li>• As we move to the Winter break, we look forward to celebratory events in Fine Arts—District Jazz Festival Nov. 20<sup>th</sup>, Senior Breezeway Drama Performance Nov. 25<sup>th</sup>, Junior Breezeway Drama Dec. 10<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup>, Winter Music Concerts Dec. 2-4.</li> <li>• End of Term 1 Dec. 3<sup>rd</sup>.</li> <li>• Report cards home Dec. 8<sup>th</sup>.</li> <li>• Parents-Teachers Conferences Dec. 17<sup>th</sup>, 6:30-9:00pm in large gym.</li> <li>• Parents-Teachers appointments scheduled online—opens on Dec. 1<sup>st</sup> and closes at 9am on Dec. 16<sup>th</sup>.</li> <li>• Collaborative Planning Day Dec. 18<sup>th</sup>—school starts at 9:30am.</li> <li>• Winter Break Dec. 22<sup>nd</sup> to Jan. 2<sup>nd</sup>.</li> <li>• School re-opens January 5<sup>th</sup>, 2015. The expectation is that all students will be back in school on January 5, as we don't have any time to waste this year.</li> <li>• Happy Holidays and Happy New Year to all students, staff, and parents.</li> </ul>		

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## Item 3. Chair's report

- Chinese Tea House is a subgroup of the PAC.
- We will host a dumpling night; we will learn how to make them and we will eat. Celebration of Chinese New Year with a Chinese Lion Dance around the school and an Asian cooking lesson.
- We have a shortage of coaches in Athletics this year. Parents are encouraged to volunteer as coaches or helpers.
- The PAC has received a fund request of \$600 for shredding purposes. The PAC is asking if a parent could hold a subcommittee for a fundraising in May (advertising to the community, coordination on the day of the event, contact the company and book a date). If we don't have any volunteers to help, we will deny this request. Contact: Esther Kwok.
- We are screening the 30 submissions for funding requests: field trips, English, Library, hardware, speakers.
- The Grad Committee organizes a Poinsettias sale (deadline Nov. 19).
- Book sale last year was a great success, but we have a lot of books left. In January, we will have a desserts and books night. PAC will provide the desserts. Books will be given (donations accepted).
- On December 12, there will be a Chinese potluck.
- Elizabeth presents the Gift Card Program to the parents.
  
- Approval of the October 21 Meeting Minutes. Motion by Elizabeth Chang, seconded by Toupti Patel.

Motion to adjourn by Farah Shroff seconded by Larisa Oproescu. Adjournment 7:36pm.

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## PAC Meeting

Nov. 18, 2014, at 7:00 pm in the staffroom

### Agenda

1. Welcome Esther Kwok
2. Principal's Report Kal Gill
3. Chair's Report Esther Kwok
4. Announcements Esther Kwok
  - (a) Poinsettia sale
  - (b) January's meeting
  - (c) others