

Charles Dickens PAC – Meeting Minutes

November 19, 2025
7:00 pm – 8:30 pm



1. Land Acknowledgement and Approval of October Minutes and Agenda: 7:00pm

- **Motion** to approve minutes and agenda, Dan and Johnnie 2nd all in favour with an edit about coach contacts. **Approved**

2. School Admin Updates 7:05 pm

Busy fall, admin expressed gratitude to students, parents and teachers for supporting a positive school season.

- **Annex - Pamela Yeun**

Event Highlights:

- Annex students grade 1-3 ran in Cross Country, represented Annex well
- Completed some work as a school with Musqueam elder including cedar weaving

- **Main school - Lisa Nucich / Amy Lee**

Event Highlights

- Cross Country Meet and students represented Dickens well
- Remembrance Day assembly
- Great Canadian Shakeout
- Lots of field trips
- Volleyball happening with seniors

Upcoming Events:

- Friday Nov 21 is Pro-D Day
- Grade 7 parents mark calendar for parent information event on Dec 10 at 8:15 pm
- Tuesday Dec 16 Holiday Concert

3. Standing Committee Updates 7:20

- **Communication (Robin/Paul – Tyler absent)**

- Paul is updating the blog- please send content through Dickens email including content, when/what/where etc.
- Whatsapp group active
- Tyler responsible for newsletter

- **DPAC**

- Absent position and opportunity available if someone is interested in volunteering let PAC know

- **Social Committee - (Christina)**

- Potential winter social pairing with Purdy's fundraiser etc.

- **Parent Education (Melanie/Sara)**

- Body Science with Saleema Noon booked for **Mon Jan 12th** for a parent zoom at 6:30pm, Wed & Thurs Jan 14th & 15th for the kids in person at the big school, Fri Jan 16th for a half day with the kids in person at the Annex.

- Waiting zoom link from Saleema for the parent zoom. Once receive this Melanie/Sara will make a poster to send out to the school
- Costs for this school year: \$400 (90min parent zoom) + \$650 X 2 - \$1300 (two full kids days) + \$450 (half kids day) + 5% GST (\$107.50) = \$2257.50
- **Fundraising (Johnnie/Patty)**
 - Cheer Gear in process
 - White caps game this week
 - Purdy's Chocolate – need volunteers, setting up flyer, liase with Purdys, pack orders, delivery day, put a callout in Whatsapp, combine with winter social
 - Stapleton Update – no update today
 - Disco and Spring Fling next year - starting to plan silent auction please let Christina know if interested in volunteering
 - **Holiday Hampers – need donations and volunteers, this goes back to families in need in our community (funds don't go to the PAC), plan to set up table**

6. Other business 7:50

- **Kingsway Crossing Update - Dan**
 - Challenging complex situation with liability across school, district, VPD and City of Vancouver. Trying to resolve and will keep people posted.
- **Sports:**
 - 25 parents on whatsapp group for interested parents to support coach; sports need a teacher to sponsor teams and they will reach out to parents as needed.
 - Plan to acknowledge teachers in all of the other clubs at end of the year.
- Vacancies: DPAC rep

Next Meeting Date: January

Attendees:

- 2) Amy Lee
- 3) Pamela Yuen

1. Dan Naiman
2. Samantha Shadwick
3. Melanie McDonald
4. Meghan Bowie
5. Alice Pederson
6. Carol Cremin
7. Jonnie Carkner
8. Danielle Forde
9. Paul Hecht
10. Amy Fehr
11. Kat McKeen
12. Christina Apostolidis
13. Laura Patrey
14. Robin Hardman

Admin

- 1) Lisa Nucich

Charles Dickens PAC Executive:

Co-Chairs - Daniel Naiman, Jonathon Carkner

Treasurer - To be elected

Co-Secretaries - Karen Li, co-secretary Melanie McDonald

DPAC Rep - Vacant

Members at Large Directors - Sarah B

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