

# Second Street Community and Parent Advisory Council (CPAC) General Member Meeting

Minutes from  
Monday, September 16, 2024 @ 9:00am  
Community Room & Zoom

We acknowledge and thank the Coast Salish Nations of Musqueam, Tsleil-Waututh, and Squamish on whose traditional territories we gather, learn and live.

In Attendance:

Anne	Charisse	Florence	Patricia	Bryan	Carolina
Kyla	Erika	Natasha	April	Peggy	Krystle
Stefanie	Margaret	Punam	Sandra	Sintayenu	Sahar
Online	Sandra				

## 1. Welcome & Land Acknowledgement

- Everyone in the community, not just parents, are welcome.

## 2. Review Agenda (Anne)

- Ways to meaningfully participate Truth & Reconciliation Day on September 30<sup>th</sup>:
  - Wear Orange & attend local events in your community on September 30<sup>th</sup>.
  - Watch [Survivor Videos](#) produced by APTN1.
  - Listen to "[Residential Schools](#)" (The Truth and Reconciliation Commission)
    - A podcast series dedicated to the history and legacy of Residential Schools, featuring Survivor stories and expert interviews. Shared to commemorate the history and legacy of Residential Schools, and honour the stories of First Nations, Métis, and Inuit Survivors, their families, and communities.
  - "[Secret Life of Canada](#)" (Episode: "The Indian Act and Residential Schools")
    - This episode explores the history and legacy of the Indian Act and Residential Schools in Canada.
- Natasha welcomes questions regarding local communities.
- [Reconciliation Through Indigenous Education](#):
  - A 6 weeks course offered by UBC Professional Development & Community Engagement.

## 3. Connecting activities (Patricia)

- Connecting by numbers that are special to you and connect with at least 3 individuals.

## 4. Update from our Chair (Anne / Charisse)

- Welcome BBQ on September 18<sup>th</sup> (Wednesday) 4:30 to 6:30pm.
  - More Volunteers needed. Signup thru JobJar
- Potentially change the meeting time from 1.5 hours to up to 2 hours. This would allow more time for connection and meaningful discussions.
- We try to update the Jobjar to reflect our need for volunteers. If you think there is some aspect of the CPAC you could help with, please do not hesitate to contact us.

- Instagram account is in the work.

## 5. Update from our Community Coordinator (Patricia)

- She as a teacher and was a faculty member at SFU for 3 years, working with student teachers. She also has experience as a Outreach workers, strong start program, etc.
- Connecting with Emily from BASES and try to understand where the money comes in from and where to spend them.
- Received some donation of school supplies from an organization and they will potentially send more as we have more students in need of support.
- Mentorship program, Math buddies are scheduled to start soon: Cariboo students are eager to start. Email will be out to parents soon.
- Friday: Terry Fox Run needs Volunteers at all the corners on the route in the afternoon. Assembly is at 1pm.
- Adult Yoga will be offered from sept 26 to Nov 28<sup>th</sup> 9:30 to 10:30. Please register through the City of Burnaby website, Activity # 50380
- Adult Zumba will be offered from Sept 26 to Nov28 7-8pm. Please register through the City of Burnaby website, Activity #50381
- Single Parenting Group for single parents with children under 6. [Sima.sajjadi@purposescoiety.org](mailto:Sima.sajjadi@purposescoiety.org) or 604-368-0776.
- Docas Closet: 2 dollars for warm winter clothing. October 14, 1:30 to 4:30pm at 8585 Armstrong Ave, Burnaby. Please email: [info@bac.org](mailto:info@bac.org) for more information.
- Also in contact for more support from communities: Basic needs assessment for classrooms and Winter coats from Rotary club.
- Try to facilitate with Edmond Food bank as they do not have a community coordinator at the moment. There is more stress to our food cupboard.
  - Thank you to Margaret for shopping for restocking our food cupboard.
- Share ideas with Patricia about how to utilize the community room, cooking, knitting....
  - Standing coffee time in the morning and lunch meetings.
- Parents connecting events tomorrow Sept 17<sup>th</sup>, 1pm to 2:30pm.
  - Connecting new parents with existing community members for networking.
- Communita time Wednesday September 25<sup>th</sup>.

## 6. Update from our Principal (Bryan)

- Envisioning exercise: The Path Forward
  - Shared his family's experience with working to have special needs students included in the local school systems. The meaningful relationship that they gain in the school system becomes invaluable support system for the future.
  - Discussion: What would the school looks like in 5 years if there is no restriction from finances and resistance. Dream Big!
    - All discussion notes was given to Bryan. They will be added to the version that is already in the works with the Staff
    - Will share the summary at the next meeting.

- Student enrollment is all consuming the last 2 weeks. 381 students at the moment.
- Staff position are filled except 1 staff is on medical leave.
- School Photo on October 2<sup>nd</sup>.
- Parents as partners will have email and book online.25<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup>. Please remember Sept 26<sup>th</sup> is early dismissal.
- Orange Shirt Day September 27<sup>th</sup>. Parents are welcome to the assembly. Time to be announced.

7. Update from our Fundraising Committee (Stefanie)

- Ongoing Bottle Drive: You can always return refundable drink containers at Return It Express Depot with the school phone number: 604-296-9029.
- Apple boxes: Link to come in email and post on Facebook. Variety includes: Honey crisp and Ambrosia.
- Krystle will be offering Family photo mini session. The link to book will be live at the Welcome back BBQ. Sept 28<sup>th</sup> and 29<sup>th</sup>; limited to 20 session each day. Fund raised will go towards Grade 7 camp and grad.
- Freezies day after Terry Fox Run. No preordering this time.

8. Update from our Treasurer (Simerjit / Erica)

- Simerjit has graciously agreed to temporarily stay on as our bookkeeper. Anyone who is interested in helping out, please contact Anne / Charisse ASAP.
- Highlights from our Treasurer: A 2023/24 Summary

<b>Total Fund Raised (fundraising)</b>	<b>\$12,668</b>
Total Fund Leveraged (grants, Sponsorships, etc.)	\$9,360
#1 Fundraising mechanism: Concession & Popcorn/Freezie Sales	\$6,374
<b>Total Funds Allocated</b>	<b>\$19,488</b>
Classrooms	\$3,200
Field Trips & experiential learning	\$5,600
Literacy & Music	\$2,130

- If you would like to learn more about the financials of CPAC, please contact Anne / Charisse.

9. Update from our District Parent Advisory Council Representative (Anne / Simerjit)

- No DPAC meeting to date.

10. Discussion & Questions

**Next General Membership meeting is on Oct 21, 2024 at 6:00pm. Please contact Patricia in advance if you need childcare during the meeting.**

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## Upcoming General Membership Meeting Dates (in person and on Zoom)

Daytime (9:00 am): ~~Sept 16~~, Nov 18, Jan 20, April 14

Evening (6:00 pm): Oct 21, Dec 16, Feb 24, May 26 (AGM)

### Community & Parent Advisory Council Executive (2024/2025)

**Chair:** Anne / Charisse

**Communications Coordinator:** Carolina

**Past Chair:** Lisa

**Fundraising Coordinators:** Stefanie

**Vice Chair:** April & Natasha

**Social Conveners:** Sushma & Carolina

**Treasurer:** Vacant (bookkeeper)/Erica

**Member at Large:** Margaret

**Secretary:** Florence

**District Parent Advisory Council (DPAC) Representative:** Anne & Simerjit

**District Community Schools Advisory (DAC) Representatives:** Malkit & Meagan



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