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| **O**pening |

Kirsten welcomed attendees to the meeting and acknowledged the W̱SÁNEĆ people upon whose traditional territory the meeting was taking place.

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| **Attendance** |

**PAC Executive**

Kirsten Hunter – Chair Kate Guthrie – Fundraising

Mindy Panesar – Vice-Chair Jenna Turnbull – Secretary

Michelle Cooper – Treasurer

**COPACS School Administration**

Nidhi Khanduja Rae Dennett - Principal

Cheryl Pocklington

**Canadian Parents for French Members at Large**

Luc Germain Andrea Stronks

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| **Agenda/Minutes** |

Please visit the PAC Page for monthly agendas and minutes. The [January agenda](https://bayside.sd63.bc.ca/mod/folder/view.php?id=361) included PAC Committees updates. The [December minutes](https://bayside.sd63.bc.ca/mod/folder/view.php?id=361) were approved.

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| **Chair Update** |

Thank you to everyone for your work on the summary reports!

Way for families to request food support for students [School Food Programs Parent Request Form | Saanich Schools](https://saanichschools.ca/form/food-program-form)

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| **Principal Update**  |

Pretty good start to 2024. Today’s snow day was a good reminder that the district website is updated by the superintendent as of 6am – not the school website.

ArtStarts – [D.O. Gibson](https://iamdogibson.com/bio) is coming to the school tomorrow to perform, he will also be at North Saanich & Royal Oak. <https://artstarts.com/>

Special assembly on Friday – hosting NHL Hockey in Canada – NHL alumni will be in attendance with the Stanley Cup.

Lots happening in sports - Volleyball in full force – high turnout of students playing on teams this year.

End of January – start to look at Grade 9 transition activities – Stelly’s administration hoping to come to Feb Pac meeting to give overview, activities & course selection information.

Kim Graves is doing great & recovering but will not be returning until spring break. Currently we have retired principal Joe Grewal acting as vice-principal.

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| **Vice-Chair Update** |

Booked Interactivity Board Game night for May 24 at school gym – Will ask for volunteers closer to the date.

Will provide dates & costs for family skating to discuss at the next meeting, possible collaboration with CPF.

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| **Treasurer Report** |

Balance of General Operations account: $8543.17

Balance of Gaming account: $1,9862.68

Purdy’s fundraising revenue $838.75

Hoodie Fundraiser Revenue $1,203.68

Bayside Families Co-op Membership Number – 74721- all Bayside families can use this number to support the PAC.

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| **General PAC Business**  |

Class Photos:

* Lifetouch has confirmed that when you order school photos, you will automatically get a class photo. Parents who paid for a class photo & have not been refunded, please reach out to Lifetouch.

Fundraising Update:

* Westcoast Seeds just launched – focus is on communicating – this year the entire catalog is open to purchase – open until January 30th.

Grade 8 Farewell:

* Committee Leads have met with Rae.
* Parent DJ & Photobooth has been booked - planning will continue in the following months.
* Volunteer opportunities are still available - Sign up [here](https://www.signupgenius.com/go/4090D4AADA72BA75-20232024#/).
* Vice-chair to reach out to the coordinators to ensure all volunteers are being contacted.

Administration presented the following funding requests:

* Rainbow bench for Diversity Rules Group $1500 – PAC has agreed to contribute $500 now and will look at offering more if we have any additional funds available at the end of the year
* Band Trip – Rae is going to get more detailed information for the next meeting

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| **COPACS** |

Looking for a PAC Representative for the Budget Advisory Committee Rep – requires attendance on Jan 25, Feb 21, Apr 11, May 2 from 3-5pm

Events coming up:

March 13 – Don Pedersen “Chairing Meetings” workshop

Feb 23 & March 6 - Engagement evenings

Feb 23 – Outdoor education panel – Cordova Bay Elementary

June – Blanket Exercise – more information to come

April 9 – Mental Health

COPACS is looking to hire Indigenous artist to design a logo – looking to PACs for fundraising support

From January to October 2024, Farm to School BC offers a free mentorship program for K-12 educators and community organizations supporting existing school gardens or building a new school garden. This mentorship program provides valuable skills that support the development of a robust school garden community, hands-on student learning and a thriving garden ecosystem.

This BC school garden mentoring programs starts Jan 23, 2024. The registration link is in the email along with complete workshop listing. First workshop is Jan. 23rd. Those interested can register for any number of workshops. To find out more and to register: <https://farmtoschoolbc.ca/garden-mentorship/>

Visit the COPACS [website](https://copacs.sd63.bc.ca/) to learn more about what they do and sign up for COPACs posts and announcements to stay in the loop.

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| **Canadian Parents for French** |

Maple Man was a success!

Transportation for kids in French – CPF is sending a letter to the district as Deep Cove children are finding it difficult as no bus comes to Bayside.

Teachers have planned a movie field trip for French immersion kids on January 26th at Star Cinema – CPS will look to a further date to have a French movie shown for Bayside Immersion families.

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| **Meeting Adjourned @ 7:36pm** |

The next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, February 7th from 6:15pm to 7:30pm.