

MAPLE CREEK PAC MEETING AGENDA  
Monday, Apr 4, 2022 at 7 PM

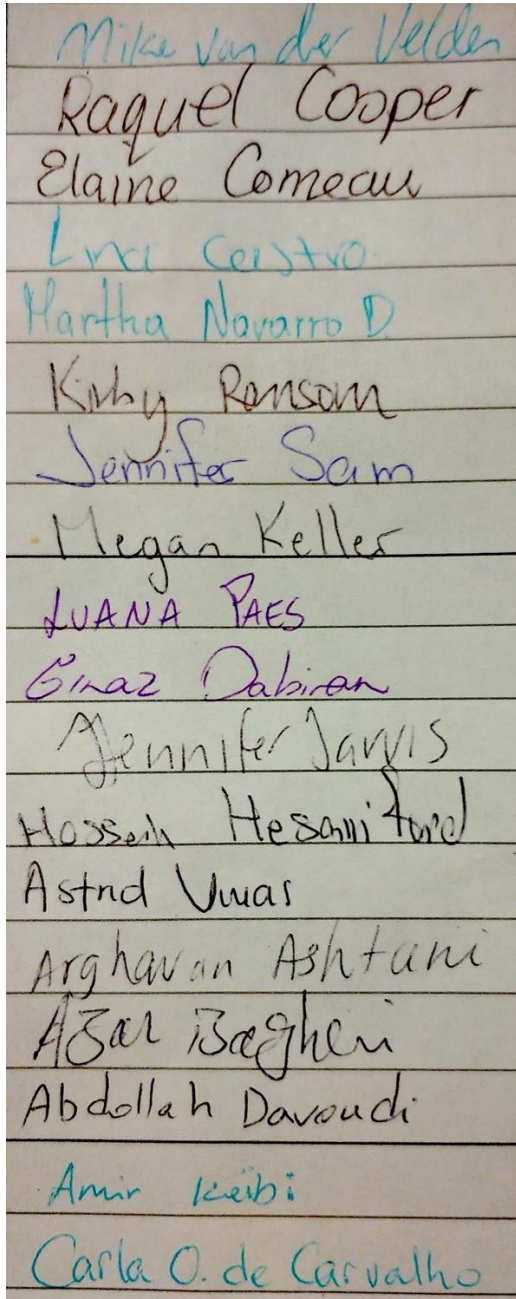
Location: MCM School Library  
PAC Executive: PAC Chair - Mike van der Velden;  
Treasurer - Jennifer Jarvis;  
Secretary - Amir Keibi;  
DPAC - Nathalie Wang;  
Fundraising Coordinator - Jennifer Sam

1. Welcome/Call to Order
  - 1.1. Start at 7:06
2. Approval of Agenda
  - 2.1. Approved
3. Approval of Minutes from Mar 7, 2022
  - 3.1. Postponed to next meeting so that everyone has had the chance to review them
4. New Business:
  - 4.1. Hot Lunch update - remains on hold
    - 4.1.1. Postponed till next year
  - 4.2. Grade 8 Leaving Ceremony
    - 4.2.1. June 28<sup>th</sup> is selected for leaving ceremony
    - 4.2.2. Look for grade 7's parent to host so grade 8 parents don't miss the ceremony
    - 4.2.3. Gym can be filled with children only with current rules, this is suspected to change
    - 4.2.4. The intention is to run ceremony in the morning, serve buffet lunch (which is putlock prepared by grade 8 parents), have photoshoot
    - 4.2.5. Volunteers will only help with decoration and reception. It'll be good have about 10 volunteers available.
  - 4.3. Staff Appreciation Lunch
    - 4.3.1. Coming up in Friday, May 6<sup>th</sup>
    - 4.3.2. Suggestion: fundraising through SchoolCacheOnline and Me&Ed, use PAC donation account to cover the rest
5. Ongoing Business:
  - 5.1. Principal's Report - Andrew Graham
    - 5.1.1. Spring break followed by some changes in rule and protocols
      - 5.1.1.1. Change in mask mandate which is no longer mandatory for school members
      - 5.1.1.2. Assemblies, field trips, sports, band, and drama are going as usual
      - 5.1.1.3. Drama performance happens next Tuesday April 12<sup>th</sup>, in gym which has the capacity of 200. Only parents of drama members will be able to attend this year in a 2 O'clock show. This allows to keep capacity within the allowed numbers.

- 5.1.1.4. Assemblies and field trips are coming up. Everything is refundable in case they don't happen. Field trips can happen as long as the venue doesn't require proof of vaccination since not all children are vaccinated.
- 5.1.1.5. Children who can't attend field trips will have activities planned for them.
- 5.1.1.6. Report cards' upload to MyEdBC has been delayed since school has 2 new secretaries.
  - 5.1.1.6.1. Plan is to have everything to be reviewed and vetted by next Monday.
  - 5.1.1.6.2. Parents could ask for a printout.
  - 5.1.1.6.3. Parents are advised to download a copy of the report for themselves.
  - 5.1.1.6.4. Parents who have not activated their account, could contact school in order to get their temporary password and activate their account.
- 5.1.1.7. Literacy goals now include Human and Social Development as well as an indigenous education.
- 5.1.1.8. Grade 8 have scheduled a trip to playland through universal coachline on June 27<sup>th</sup>. Grade 6&7 will go to Loon lake (near UBC campus in Maple ridge) across 2 days, having 3 or 4 activities planned.
- 5.1.1.9. Last day of school is June 29<sup>th</sup> and children will have to stay till noon.
- 5.1.1.10. Q: Are there education opportunities for parent, especially the ones who are new to the community?
  - 5.1.1.10.1. Swiss worker who can help parents
  - 5.1.1.10.2. DPAC which is good source of information
- 5.2. Vice Principal's Report – Ian Robertson
  - 5.2.1. 21<sup>st</sup> of April is Terry Fox run instead of September since now "Truth and Reconciliation" falls in September
  - 5.2.2. Articulation (welcoming and preparing incoming and outgoing students) is happening
  - 5.2.3. Grad 7 students and their parent got student learning survey
  - 5.2.4. Action plan for learning with 2 focus areas
- 5.3. Executive Reports:
  - 5.3.1. Chair – Mike van der Velden – Skipping for the benefit of time
  - 5.3.2. Treasurer – Jennifer Jarvis
    - 5.3.2.1. P&L Update - Please see the PDF document attached to the minutes
    - 5.3.2.2. Gaming Funds / Teacher Wish List Update: goal is to have this fully spent by end of next year
  - 5.3.3. DPAC - Natalie Wang: Could not attend, but sent the DPAC update (enclosed)
- 5.4. Mail and Communications
  - 5.4.1. BCCPAC – No Update
  - 5.4.2. Alliance Française – No Update
- 5.5. Review correspondence
  - 5.5.1. No Update
- 6. Adjournment at 8:31 PM

Next PAC Meeting: Monday, May 9, 2022. Maple Creek Library. In Person!

**Attendees:**



Mike van der Velden  
Raquel Cooper  
Elaine Comeau  
Luca Ceistro  
Martha Navarro D  
Kirby Ransom  
Jennifer Sam  
Megan Keller  
LUANA PAES  
Graz Dabiran  
Jennifer Jarvis  
Hossein Hesami Fard  
Astnd Uuar  
Arghavan Ashtani  
Azar Bagheri  
Abdollah Davoudi  
Amir Keibi  
Carla O. de Carvalho

**DPAC Updates:**

Assistant superintendent Mr. Gerald Shong.

1. Visitors in schools allowed now. Schools can return to routine sign in/sign out practices for visitors and staff not typically onsite. PACs can come back to in-person meetings!
2. For school gatherings and events that bring together multiple classes or other groupings of students from the same school there is not a specific capacity limit. On March 10, 2022, the Provincial Health Officer announced the Gathering and Events Order requiring proof of vaccination for certain community-led gatherings and events would be lifted end of day on April 7th, 2022.  
While that Order is in place, indoor school extracurricular and social gatherings and events that bring together members of the school community beyond staff, students and necessary volunteers or that occur between schools (e.g., a music festival) should not exceed 50 people or 50% operating capacity (whichever is greater).
3. When the Gatherings and Events Order requiring proof of vaccination for community-led gatherings and events is lifted, all school gatherings and events can return to 100% capacity.
4. No EPP required, it is voluntary now. The decision to wear a mask or face covering is a personal choice for staff, students and visitors.
5. Graduation ceremonies moving forward!
6. Budget process going on...dates as follows:
  - Presentation of 2022/2023 preliminary budget is on April 12
  - Public comment on proposed budget is on April 19
  - Final budget presentation and Board approval is on April 26

Speakers: Sierra Turner, Communications coordinator, and Lily Louie, Family Peer Supporter

FOUNDRY, this is a province-wide network of integrated health and social service centres for young people ages 12-24. Foundry centres provide a one-stop-shop for young people to access mental health care, substance use services, primary care, social services and youth and family peer supports.

FOUNDRY is a province initiative supported by the Government of British Columbia, Graham Boeckh Foundation, Michael Smith Foundation for Health Research, Providence Health Care and St. Paul's Foundation. It has been running for about 7 years, I did not know about this!

<https://foundrybc.ca/>

There are several centres, 11 in total all over BC. But they also have virtual services that support youth and caregivers in the Province: mental health, substance use, healthy living, tough topics (such as bullying, loss and grief, self-injury, suicide, violence and abuse), life, school and work. Such services are provided by a team that includes nurse practitioners, employment counsellors, occupational therapists, social workers, registered clinician counsellors, etc.

Appointments can be booked using the app, video, audio or chat options available. Any young person ages 12/24 who resides in BC and their caregivers can access the services (I think I understood up to 10 sessions). The approach is called "Solution Focused Brief Therapy" or SFBT. It is goal setting, validating, emphasizing and sharing resources. There is no cost for the services provided.

Others:

- Next Parent Ed presentations: April 27<sup>th</sup>, exploring ways to improve outcomes for children in the Tri/Cities, and May 4<sup>th</sup> exploring resilience, barriers and the impact of the Covid-19 Pandemic.

- BC Confederation of Parents Advisory Councils. April 14: deadline for proxies re. AGM BCCPAC. Proxies for the right to vote, the right to speak, or both. **Is anyone going to the BCCPAC conference and annual general meeting? If not, are we sending a proxy vote form, at least to vote on our PAC's behalf? We can give the proxy to one of the DPAC members. We need two signatures.**
- **They talked about a deadline coming up for PACs to request gaming funds but cannot remember the date...**
- New gaming guidelines are out, one significant change to note, this will be the last year that gaming funds may be used for scholarships and bursaries.
- DPAC43 will have its AGM will be on May 25<sup>th</sup>, elections are coming. If you are interested, please participate as a volunteer. This is the last year of Marvin Klassen as a DPAC president, the position will be available for volunteers.
- DPAC will try to have a hybrid model for next DPAC April meeting: in person and via Zoom.