



# École Ross Road Elementary

North Vancouver School District

## PAC General Meeting Minutes

**Date/Time:** February 3rd, 2021 at 7:00 p.m.

**Location:** Zoom Conference

**Attendees:** Approximately 28 people in attendance

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1. Welcome and call to order
  - Co-Chair Denise Dehestani called the meeting to order at 7:06 p.m.
2. Guest Speakers Tara Boddington and Nicole Kennedy from the Foundry North Shore
  - Presentation by Parent Ambassador Tara Boddington and Nicole Kennedy, Vancouver Coastal Health Program Manager. The Foundry is a youth support network and social services centre run by VCH. They provide young people aged 12-24 with access to mental health and substance use support, primary care, peer support and social services. Centre information can be found at [www.foundrybc.ca](http://www.foundrybc.ca)
3. Approval of agenda
  - MOTION: Agenda approved as presented - Connie Young, Beck Williams
4. Approval of Oct 7, 2020 PAC General Meeting minutes
  - MOTION: Minutes approved as presented - Emily Newton, Jennifer Bryan
5. PAC Chairs update (Co-chairs Linda Munro and Denise Dehestani)
  - Linda Munro introduced the PAC Executive.
  - Denise Dehestani explained that the PAC is about community building and fundraising. We want to create a strong sense of inclusion for families. We support the school through fundraising activities. We have some exciting events coming up that will be shared later in the meeting.
  - Linda reminded parents about the role of NVPAC and about upcoming speaker events brought to us by NVPAC and let parents know about plans for an Argyle Family of Schools speaker event in spring 2021
  - Linda encouraged parents to follow Ross Road PAC on Facebook, Twitter and now Instagram too
6. Principal's report (Principal Kate Lechleiter)
  - Vice-Principal Jason Heywood gave the Principal's update for Kate Lechleiter (use Kate's admin update that she provided). Jason provided an overview of the highlights on Kate Lechleiter's Administration Report (see attachment)

## 7. Financial report (Treasurer Connie Young)

### a. Kickstart Campaign and fundraising events (funds raised to date)

- Connie thanked our Ross Road families for their generosity in supporting our fundraising events and gave a summary of our fundraising efforts to date.
- Connie presented the Profit and Loss Statement and the Balance Sheet.

### b. Approval of the following items - Motions for a VOTE

#### 1. Bike/scooter racks (up to \$7000)

- The school encourages families to bike, roll, or walk to school, but storage of bikes and scooters has become an issue.
- Most classrooms do not have a safe space to keep scooters during the day and some children have been storing them inside the entrance near the stairs which is unsafe.
- Scooters and bikes need to be locked up outside during the day, so the school is asking for racks to accommodate all of the bikes and scooters.
- ***all in favour, MOTION CARRIED.***

#### 2. Set of iPads (\$15,000)

- Teachers would like to add a new set of iPads to their inventory.
- The older set of iPads at Ross Road are no longer able to run the latest OS (operating system) and therefore won't receive system updates and won't be able to run the latest apps.
- ***all in favour, MOTION CARRIED.***

#### 3. Two rainbow tables (up to \$900)

- Teachers have requested two rainbow-shaped tables for the primary classrooms.
- The shape of these tables allow teachers to easily reach materials and provide equal attention to all students during group lessons.
- ***all in favour, MOTION CARRIED.***

### c. Discussion on May 5, 2021 AGM voting items

- Library furniture will be brought forward for a vote at our May AGM if funds are available for this expenditure at that time.

## 6. PAC fundraising and events (Jen Bryan)

### a. Online auction and concert

- A committee has been formed and work is underway for our first online auction.

### b. Virtual family social event

- Ross Road Family Fun Night will be held via Zoom on February 11th from 6:30pm to 7:30pm
- There will be online games, prizes, fun, and dancing.

## 7. Canadian Parents for French update (Alana Prashad)

- Alana provided an update of the role of CPF and a reminder that the membership is currently free

## 9. Adjournment

- Denise Dehestani thanked the parents for attending and adjourned the meeting at 8:20pm