Confederation Park Elementary PAC Minutes Sept 2025

Location: Confederation Park Library and via Zoom

In attendance: Tammie Aiwekhoe, Kathleen Pennykid, Maite Mayeta Cumba, Lorna Pennykid, Ms. Ishii, Principal McQueen, Sam Badiei, Chrystal Pearl, Ahmed, Peter, Jade, Joanne, Nicole, Marika, Sora, Seehyeona, Robin, Beau

Date: Sept 17, 2025 6- 6:54pm

Facilitator: Chair Tammie Aiwekhoe

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MEETING PROCEDURES		
6:00 pm	Call to Order & Welcome Land Acknowledgement: *We would like to acknowledge that we live, work and play on the unceded and traditional territories of the xʷməθkʷəy̓ əm (Musqueam), sḵwx̱wú7mesh (Squamish), and səl̓ilwitulh (Tsleil Waututh) Coast Salish peoples.*	Tammie
	Information Item: Any corrections to the minutes? Let PAC execs know. ● Adoption of the Agenda & motion that the agenda be adopted. Motion carried ● May Annual General Meeting Minutes were NOT adopted as secretary did not have copies of May minutes made. Secretary attempted to read in the May AGM minutes, however Principal McQueen and Ms. Ishii advised the minutes appeared to have information that was not current in May and did not feel the minutes being read were accurate. ● ACTION ITEM: Secretary to confirm accuracy of May AGM minutes with former PAC secretary and then have a copy of May AGM minutes available for PAC at the Oct 2025 meeting. Motion will be	Tammie/Kathleen

	put forward at Oct 2025 PAC meeting to adopt the May AGM meeting minutes. Once May AGM minutes are approved they will be posted on the school website	
AGENDA ITEMS		
	Principal's Report Since we met last: - The theme for the 2025-2026 school year is Journeys. It will be woven through multiple curriculum areas - In Sept 2025 most divisions will hold Welcome Conversations with parents/caregivers of students - Welcome back BBQ is being scheduled by PAC - The Terry Fox run is being held on Sept 26th - School staff changes- Ms McQueen is the new principal, Ms. Sam Wilkie is the current school counsellor as Ms. Haddock is on maternity leave - In Divisions 2, 5 and 6 they will be having Simon Fraser University Student Teachers starting their long practicum the week of Sept 22 2025. It will conclude at the Christmas break - Families should continue to use the Confederation Park Elementary website at https://confederationpark.burnabyschools.ca/ as the school's main communication tool for school events, etc. - At the end of September the school will be honouring the National Truth and Reconciliation Day and Orange Shirt Day	Jill McQueen

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	- On Sept 29th there will be community gathering at 2pm at the school to commemorate Truth and Reconciliation Day. Its theme will be loss, resilience, and healing. The school is also doing a school-wide art project called “Salmon River”- salmon are a metaphor for struggle, perseverance, and renewal - In October teachers and relevant staff will be holding Individual Education Plan meetings for diverse learners - Later in the fall the Foundation Skills Assessment for students in grade 4 and grade 7 will start. The idea of this assessment is to provide the Ministry of Education with data on how the provincial school system is doing as a whole. Sometimes info related to individual schools is given to the district. It can provide students with a “low stakes” practice to write a standardized exam - CLUBS: - Cross Country already started - Boomerang- it’s a leadership group to exemplify kindness and gratitude, led by the student voice. Goal of the group is established by the group each school year. They will take leadership role in Spirit Days and community gatherings. It is open to grades 6 and 7 - Volleyball- starts in October	

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	Chair Report: - Welcome Back Pizza Party update- parents have asked for the time to be adjusted so it starts at 3:30pm. Ms. Ishii and Principal McQueen have confirmed the start time of 3:30pm works for the school. - If it is rainy on the day of the party parents and students can use the undercover area on the North side of the school - Extra pizzas will be ordered in case some parents forgot to order ahead of time - Crema Ice-Cream will be on site. They will donate 10% of their sales back to PAC - Motion to open nominations for PAC Treasurer by Tammie. Seconded by Kathleen. - Nomination was called three times. Sam Badiei was the sole person who volunteered for the role - Motion to vote for Sam Badiei as PAC Treasurer by Tammie and seconded by Kathleen. Vote was held and majority voted for Sam Badiei as new PAC Treasurer. Motion carried.	Tammie

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	Treasurer Report: -PAC is still waiting to receive the Gaming Grant - Gaming account balance is $707.80 -Operating account balance is $39,352.81 less a cheque for $1500 that has yet to be cleared - Once the cheque clears, the new balance in the operating account will be $37852.81	Tammie as Nancy was unable to attend
	Fundraising and Events **-**PAC is exploring a mini Fall photo shoot fundraiser. Pricing isn't finalized yet. Possible site for photo shoot could be the golden forest on school ground. Photos could be used for holiday photos, cards, etc. PAC will provide an update on how much of photo sales is returned to PAC -Earthquake/safety kit fundraiser- if PAC started this right away the deadline for orders would be Nov 21 2025. 40% of sales are given back to PAC -Meridian Farm Market would give PAC return of 30% for Gift Card sales only. Meridian Farms delivers. All Gift Cards are virtual. -Purdy's- Unclear when this would start. Sam will look into it. -ACTION ITEM: Review last year's vendor ROI and continue with best performers -Memory Book- explore if Confederation Elementary students could assist with taking photos. Is there an option for a school photo club?	Tammie

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	-Art show- November 14. Tentative time for show is 5:30pm to 10:00pm. PAC and volunteers are currently exploring the following things: -photo booth option -Online auction via 32 auctions so people who cannot attend in person can bid online - Entertainment of Singer and DJ has been already booked -Décor/theme is “Stars” - ACTION ITEM: Tammie to find out if Gabbie and Jules may donate or help with Art Show. - Canucks tickets as possible donation? - Silent Auction items are needed. Please contact PAC if you have items you want to donate or know of companies to approach for donations. -Kids will not be invited to this year’s event as alcohol will be served -Food- exploring different ideas such as take away foods, hand held options, charcuterie, etc. -Martial Arts Club Master G’s- could see if they are holding a pre-existing event that night that kids could attend?	
	Committee Updates: -Hot lunch team- orders for the first round of hot lunch dates closes on Sept 19th 2025. Joanne is organizing hot lunches again this year. A new vendor was added this year (Triple Coconut Tree). -Communications- Have created QR codes so parents can join What’s App group to be kept informed of school events, deadlines, etc. There will also be sub-committees created for things like Art Show, Hot lunch, etc. The coordinator for each	Tammie/Chrystal

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	committee will send out info regarding when they need help, what roles are needed, etc. -There is a pre-existing Facebook PAC group that will continue this year -At the Welcome Back Pizza Party there will be a PAC table where parents can scan the QR code to join an info group.	
	District PAC UPDATE: -Maite is the new DPAC Rep for Confederation Park Elementary. - Sept 25 2025 was the first DPAC meeting of the new school year. It was well attended. The DPAC executive are working on database management of new representatives, email addresses, etc. -Confederation Park Elementary is in the Brentwood North Zone - There is a new Executive team- currently no chair. Likely a new chair will be voted in at the Oct 2025 DPAC meeting. There is a current Acting Chair - Presentation by District Deputy Superintendent Roberto Bombelli. He reviewed the new strategic plan for 2025-2030. This serves as a guideline of how the district will continue working with the students -ACTION ITEM: Principal McQueen to post a link to the district's new strategic plan on the school website - DPAC is inviting parents to volunteer to be involved on various sub-committees. These include: a. Accessibility b. Equity, Diversity and Inclusion c. Community d. Technology e. Sustainability	Maite

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	e. Sexual Orientation and Gender Identity -Every month the school district has a public meeting that everyone is allowed to attend.	
	New Business: -Discussion: a. Can Lily the support dog return to the school? No, there is a district policy preventing Lily from being able to return b. Is Principal McQueen going to publish a school newsletter each month as has been done by some previous principals or will the school website remain the main source of parent/caregiver info? Principal McQueen typically writes an update twice a school year that is sent out to all parents. Please continue to use the school website for most up to date info on events c. How much pizza has been ordered at this point for the welcome back pizza party? 14 orders so far totalling $190.00 d. Movie license- when does it expire and will there be a movie night in 2025? ACTION ITEM: PAC to find out when the movie license expires. Ms. Ishii and Principal McQueen to look into possible dates in 2025 or 2026 for a movie night e. Scholastic Bookfair- Ms. Besic will reach out for people interested in volunteering	
	NEXT MEETING: Third Wednesday of each month. Next meeting will be Wednesday, Oct 15th at 6pm. Request put forward to have the meeting both in person and accessible by Zoom. Meeting adjourned 6:54pm.	

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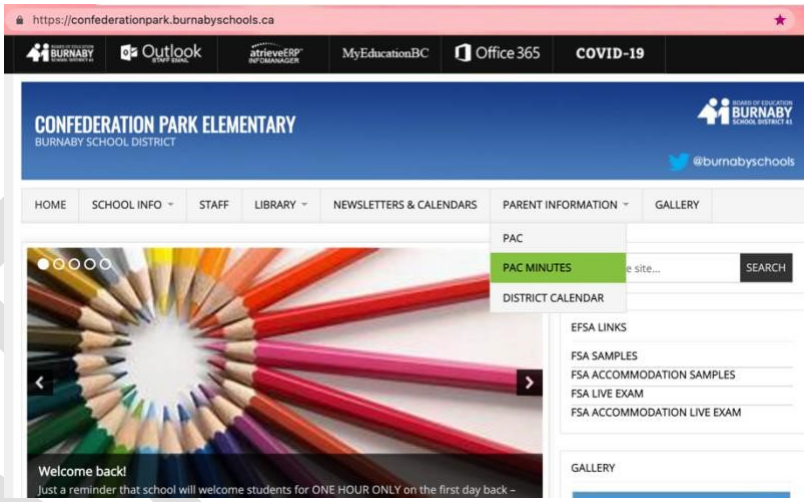
Future PAC Meetings:

We plan to hold meetings on Wednesday evenings in person or online via Zoom. Watch for announcements to confirm.



PAC minutes will be available on the school website under the Parent Information tab , PAC minutes.

Note: if your child is absent on a hot lunch day, please email PAC at confedparkpac@gmail.com and then make arrangements to come pick up their food. Unfortunately, we are unable to offer refunds.

Contact Info: Email: confedparkpac@gmail.com

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