

Van Tech PAC Meeting Minutes
April 25, 2023, via Zoom and in person

PAC Executive: Lindsie Tomlinson (Chair), Shawna Deagle (Treasurer), Tina Kaminski (Secretary)

PAC Members: Van Tech Parents/Family Members; Amanda Hillis (Van Tech Rep to DPAC)

Van Tech Staff: Robert Moro (Principal)

1. Welcome, Introductions, Chair Remarks, General Announcements & Acknowledgements (Lindsie Tomlinson)
 - a. Land acknowledgement to honour the territories of the Musqueam, Squamish, and Tsleil-Waututh
 - b. Welcome!

2. Accept the February 2023 minutes (Lindsie Tomlinson) M/S/C

3. Treasurer's Report (Shawna Deagle)
 - a. February 2023 disbursements of \$7,688.62
 - b. Haven't received any more invoices from Wendy but will probably get them through May
 - c. Typical to get invoices 2-3 times a year

4. Teacher Rep Report (Angela Bigioli) – N/A
Angela was unable to attend the meeting

5. Principal's Report (Robert Moro)
 - a. Working on building a timetable, doing enrollment and projections
 - b. Looks like we are sitting at more or less the same number of students
 - c. Getting ready for grad
 - d. Parent teacher conference happening on May 4, 2023 live in the gym
 - e. Midterm marks posted on April 28, 2023
 - f. Family information session for incoming grade 8s on May 3 from 6:00-7:30 in the auditorium. Come and ask questions. Lindsie to speak about the PAC and ask how we can get parents to get involved. Side discussion about possibility of Van Tech fundraising, organize more speakers, creating a PAC mailing list
 - g. Our play, Chaos, starts on April 26-28 with performances in the auditorium - \$10
 - h. Tech Day on April 26 with the grade 10s writing their ministry assessments. White Hatter will be presenting to grade 8s and 9s about the internet, social media and pitfalls. There is also a parent session that happens online in the evening at 6:30pm.
 - i. Summer school sign up starts May 1. Van Tech is not a summer school site because we are doing some major renovations to replace skylights in 600 wing

6. DPAC Announcements (Amanda Hillis)
 - a. Thursday April 27 at 7pm is the DPAC general meeting on Zoom. Topic is environmental sustainability building food security. There is a motion for voting.
 - b. Chair publicly quit on Twitter, but staying on as director. Vic is also running to be first VP for BCCPAC and director
 - c. VSB anticipating 600 more students than they did a month ago
 - d. AGM will be in June
 - e. Van Tech will need a new DPAC rep in September

7. BCCPAC AGM (Amanda Hillis)
 - a. Van Tech PAC needs to get the proxy vote form in the office by Friday April 28 - \$125 paid from gaming funds. We can send somebody there to vote. Excellent opportunity to talk to other parents from PACS and DPACs. Need to meet quorum otherwise they can't hold election.
 - b. Conference is on Friday and AGM is on Saturday and Sunday
 - c. Treasurer position has opened up

8. Bylaws & Constitutions (Shawna Deagle)
 - a. Propose giving a deadline for possibly 2 weeks for comments and suggestions and then approve at the next PAC meeting

9. Open Discussion
 - a. Lindsie got an email from Ken Li, Athletic Director. Both boys and girls qualified for curling provincial championship in Terrace. Remote location caused many qualified teams to not attend. Girls teams decided not to attend mainly due to finances. Boys teams wanted to go for the experience. Asking for \$2,000 from VanTech PAC to support the families for the trip (4 kids). This was part of their original ask. Rob will reach out to Ken Li to obtain more information.

10. Wrap Up & Adjournment (Lindsie Tomlinson)

Next Meeting: Tuesday May 23, 2023 @ 7pm in the library and online via Zoom

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