

**MINUTES**  
 Van Tech PAC Meeting – October 30, 2017 @ 7-9:00pm  
 Staff Cafeteria

1. Welcome & Introductions  
 Parents/guardians, teachers presenting, principal, teacher rep, PAC exec (chair, treasurer, secretary)
2. Principal's Report – Annette Vey-Chilton  
 Posted on website: 3 year school plan, surveys; interim reports and parent/teacher meetings Nov. 9; Wellness Initiative re-shaping; Club 315 (afterschool help/tutor/snack); Safeteen; Post secondary; Senior sail for grads; Nov. 8 concert; White Hatter speaker Nov. 14 for students and evening for parents.
3. Staff Presentation for financial requests:  
 Film program – S. Saii  
 Outdoor Ed – M. Kerlaan  
 Counselling – N. Van Irsel
4. Announcements –  
 SACY – programs really good, check out Building Bridges Feb. 18  
 BCCH – Bio Bank workshop for parents, maybe Nov meeting?  
 BCTF – parent presentations, free of charge, different topics (eg Internet Safety, bullying) ; also Aboriginal parent topics (see website for more)  
 DPAC and BCCPAC – looking for parent reps; their meetings also have different speakers, see website
5. Review Funding Requests from teachers:  
 Background explanation: enhancing extra-curricular activities for students, for travel/transportation within BC, uniforms/equipment for activities, awards; scholarships; bursaries. Teachers submit requests through school's accountant and principal to be signed off before submitting to PAC. Not for specific curriculum work, to "enhance".  
 Currently, the PAC reviews new requests twice a year, Oct and Jan, and the "line items" (historically approved annually) in May. \$20/student through Gaming grants, applications for grants, detailed accounts submitted, \$32,080 to be spent within three years

Requests reviewed and discussed by all in attendance:

<b>Program/Dept.</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Category</b>	<b>Students Benefitting</b>	<b>Grade</b>	<b>Total Cost</b>	<b>Requested from PAC</b>	<b>Approved by PAC</b>
Fine arts	Cameras & equip	Capital acquisition	50	11-12	5,891.44	5891.44	2301.00
School	Bike stands, tools, etc	Student society/club	20	8-12	5,000.00	5,000.00	1500.00
Tech studies	Vex Robotic hardware	Capital acquisition	24-30	10-12	3,800.00	3800.00	1500.00
Outdoor ed	Wilderness trip	Student conf./field trip	36	11-12	6916.6	3000.00	1000.00
SS	Fort Langley	Student conf./field trip	234	9	4690.12	2340.00	2000.00

Literacy	Bard in the classroom	Student conf/field trip	800	10-12	4050.00	2250.00	To review in Jan
Library	Furniture	Capital acquisition	1670	8-12	5000	1400	700
Spec ed	Camp Capilano	Student conf/field trip	15	8-12	1500	1500	Review in Jan
School	Key club mem dues	Student conf/field trip	80	8-12	1040	1040	0
Counselling	Grade 8 boys club snacks	Student society/club	10-12	8	800	800	600
Counselling	Boys club snacks	Student society/club	10-12	8-10	750	750	750
School	Club 315	Student society/club	25-30	8-12	2998.85	525	525
Counselling	Breakfast of champions	Student activity	70	8-12	500	500	500
Counselling	Road safety	Student activity	340	12	1000	500	500
Spec ed	Playland fieldtrip	Student conf/fieldtrip	15	8-9	433	433	433
Spec ed	Exercise bike	Student activity	10	8-12	393.79	393.79	393.79
Spec ed	Science world felid trip	Student conf/felid trip	15	8-9	326.25	326.25	0 (parent Katy looking into)
Spec ed	Aquarium felid trip	Student conf./field trip	15	8-9	245.50	245.50	0 (Katy)
School	School newspaper	Student society/club	1670	8-12	250	250	250
Spec ed	Mindfulness sessions	Student activity	15	10-12	200	200	0 (Katy)
Spec ed	Granville is trip	Student conf/field trip	15	10-12	148.00	148.00	0 (Katy)
School	TLC	Student Activity	1670	8-12	500	500	500
				TOTAL		\$31792.98	\$13452.79

6. James Hethey, teacher rep, review about how they are still struggling to deal with new class size and composition and teachers, but not too worry, it is being resolved, still a need for SSW/TOC that the union is focusing on.

7. Parent discussion about Vancouver Minor Lacrosse league and bringing it to Vancouver schools. Starting a club, finding a teacher sponsor, getting funding. Talk to Phys Ed director Mr Allina regarding getting started.

8. Adjourn meeting & Next PAC Meeting – November 27, 2017

- Agenda topics to include: guest speaker Derek Roelofsen, school nurse, principal's report, Biobank presentation

**Any suggestions and/or comments for future meetings, please email [chairvt@gmail.com](mailto:chairvt@gmail.com)**