

# EMILY CARR ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

## Parent Advisory Council

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### Minutes of Meeting

**Tuesday, June 11, 2019**

#### Attendance

Katie McConnell

Jennifer Cho

Roy Quiñones

Michael Kelly

Judy Venable

Desiree Essen

Alex Cheng

Gillian Sykes

Principal Lorraine Terretta

#### Minutes of Meeting:

##### 1) Principal and Staff Information

###### Principal Change

We regret that Lorraine Teretta has retired this past summer – we thank her for her many years of dedication to the school! She will be greatly missed!

Ms. Erin Gibbs will begin her role as Principal of Emily Carr in the Fall. To assist in this transition, Ms. Susan Nichols will serve as acting principal for the first few weeks of the school year. Ms. Nichols brings with her a wealth of experience, most recently at General Wolfe Elementary.

###### School Cash

The Vancouver School Board is rolling out School Cash Online for the upcoming school year, as an easy way to pay for school fees, including field trips. A link for more information is provided below:

[https://www.vsb.bc.ca/Student\\_Support/General\\_Resources/school-fees/Pages/OnlinePayment.aspx](https://www.vsb.bc.ca/Student_Support/General_Resources/school-fees/Pages/OnlinePayment.aspx)

##### 2) Minutes of last PAC Meeting from April 24<sup>th</sup> were approved

##### 3) PAC Executive Elections

Please welcome the incoming PAC for this school year!

Katie McConnell (Chair)

Roy Quiñones (Vice-Chair)

Lorna Braber (Treasurer)

Gillian Sykes (New Family Liaison)

**\*\*Still seeking Secretary and Members At Large; all are welcome\*\***

In 2019/2020, the PAC exec would like to invite all Class Reps to attend 2 meetings a year.

##### 4) Budget Review and Capital Projects

###### Retirement Gift

A gift for Lorraine's retirement previously approved was presented to Lorraine at the June Volunteer Appreciation Tea.

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### PAC Sponsorship and Budget Review

The discussion from the prior PAC Meeting on April 24<sup>th</sup> continued to determine a base list of programs / events that the PAC would continue **annually**. The motion to approve the following; **passed**:

- Contribution of \$15/student per division to be used for additional resources in each classroom. \$100 to each of Resource, Music, Student Support Workers and the Office for supplies and other items that will benefit student learning (~\$5500)
- Scholarship for Emily Carr alumni graduating from Eric Hamber (\$250)
- Zero Waste Initiative (monthly payment to Pacific Mobile Depot; ~\$400/yr)
- SOS Fund (\$1000)
- Project Chef (~\$1500)
- Mystery Science License (~\$700)
- Saleema Noon (every 2nd year starting 2019/2020 school year; ~\$1500)
- Movie License (~\$375+tax)

### New Projects

If there are any new programs / items you think the PAC should consider sponsoring, please send us an email or speak with us! Any new projects will be tabled for discussion early in the school year to allow time to both approve and organize what is proposed.

## 5) Fun Fair Summary

### Net Proceeds

The past year Fun Fair was a great success, raising a net total of approx. \$10,000 for various school initiatives and programs! Thanks to all the volunteers, including Emily Carr alumni, parents and staff stationed at the Silent Auction, Carnival Games, Food & Drink Stations and other locations. We'd love to hear any other ideas you may have to continue to improve on this annual event.

## 6) Douglas Park Youth Camps

- Riya Talwar from the Douglas Park Community Centre came to discuss Summer community volunteer opportunities, including the Youth Café and Jr. Youth Council. Please contact Douglas Park for more information on whether your kids would be interested in these events!

## Meeting Adjournment

**Next meeting - TBD**