

## **DeBeck PAC Meeting Minutes**

November 27, 2025 at 6:30pm

In Person at the DeBeck Library

### **1. Call to Order and Welcome**

- Chair: Tienne Schaub
- Treasurer: Kevin Lim-Kong and Edmund Szeto
- Secretaries: Kathy Lien and Lisa Santos
- Call to order @ 6:31pm.

### **2. Attendance**

- Tienne Schaub, Kevin Lim-Kong, Edmund Szeto, Kathy Lien, Lisa Santos, Theresa Wong, Maloy Navarro-Ocampo, Kevin Walsh, Carolyn Walsh, Vivian Batalha, Patrick, Lydia, Lisa Schwartz

### **3. Approval of previous minutes**

- Motion to approve September and October minutes by Kevin. Seconded by Edmund.

### **4. Updates from our Principal and Vice Principal**

#### **• Seismic Update**

- All classes are inside the school.
- New lockers for the whole school. Installation starts on December 1st and will finish over the Winter Break.
- Office will be completed in January. Staff washrooms are almost complete. We hope to be inside the school by the end of January.
- Portables are not being used. Portables will be moved when there is a new project elsewhere.

#### **• Term 1 Learning Update (Report Cards)**

- Term 1 Learning Updates will be posted to MyEd on December 19th .

#### **• Foundation Skills Assessment (FSAs)**

- We received our results this week. Booklets will be sent home next week.
- Results:
  - Grade 4- Literacy 92% are On Track or Extending
  - Grade 4- Numeracy are 86% are On Track or Extending
  - Grade 7- Literacy- 85% of Students are On Track or Extending
  - Grade 7- Numeracy- 87% of Students are On Track or Extending

#### **• Basketball**

- We are still looking for coaches for our boys grade 6/7 team(s).
- Ms. Abrams will coach the girls team(s).
- We will have a sign up meeting before winter break
- Games will take place January to March with a Jamboree at Palmer

#### **• Student Leadership - Junior and Senior Leadership**

- Palmer Leadership Council presenting to our DeBeck Leaders. Inspiring our leaders of what they can do and their potential: Nov 27 presentation for Senior Leaders; Dec 3 presentation for Junior Leaders
- Leadership swag– Seniors (black) and Juniors (white). There will be potential fundraisers in the New Year to fund the shirts.

- Both groups have reviewed the critical & reflective thinking competence – using the What, So What, and Now What framework to see how the leadership team can improve their skills for the next event.
- Senior Leaders planned the Remembrance Day Assembly and reflected on what went well and what could be improved.
- Junior Leaders planned Spirit Days (Nov 28 is Colour Day). There will be monthly Spirit Days.
- **Family Teams – School Wide Community Building**
  - Family Teams are back! Family Teams have about 12 students per team from grades K to 7. This is a great way to build community across grades. Also, it is a chance for leaders to practice their leadership skills.
  - These teams meet monthly with different themes. December is about connections and community. First meeting on Dec 5.
  - Fun Day is spent with their Family Teams.

## 5. Treasurer Update

- Gaming account is \$17,850.44.
- Operating account is \$21,633.66.
- This year we ordered pumpkins from Save On. The pumpkins were delivered very late. We received a refund of \$776! We also received boxes of Halloween candy which were distributed to kids, and they brought a giant pumpkin for photos.
- Divisions 8-13 had sessions with Young Actors. \$1740 was paid for by the PAC.
- Our October movie night made \$276.
- Teachers and the librarian were reimbursed for \$1353 thus far.
- The PAC banks with Beem, formerly known as G&F Financial. Before there were no fees, but now there are fees.

## 6. District PAC Update

- The DPAC held PAC 101 sessions for chairs, treasurers, etc. Edmund attended the treasurer session. Our allocations to classroom funds and librarian funds are very reasonable.
- There is a DPAC online community for chairs, as well as a general group.

## 7. Upcoming Events

- **Pub Night** is postponed to Friday **January 23, 2026**.
- **Frozen Yogurt Treats** on Thursday **December 18, 2026**. We can store yogurt in the PAC/gym freezers a few days before. We will order one flavor and one dairy free option.
- **Spring Fair** will be on Friday **June 5, 2026**. We will start planning in January. We will plan for 2 food trucks. We are looking for a new vendor for games.
- Upcoming **movie nights** on **February 19** and **May 28, 2026**.
- The week of March 2 will be school-wide **k-pop** lessons, culminating in a **performance** on **March 6, 2026**.

## 8. Fundraising Updates

- We raised almost \$350 from our **Purdys** fundraiser. Note that we received 25% profit because sales exceeded \$1250, else it is 15% profit. **Pick up of orders** will be on Thursday **December 4** at 2:30pm.
- **Grade 7 fundraising**. In previous years, families were asked to contribute \$30 and may make additional donations. The Grade 7 committee would then fundraise to cover remaining costs. Going

forward, it is proposed to streamline how grade 7 families view grad so that every year it is the same. Streamlining involves:

- Clearly outlining what funds will be used for: a field trip (e.g., Richmond Oval), lunch and cake, ceremony, and yearbook.
- Asking grade 7 families to contribute \$50.
- Dedicating 1 to 2 hot lunches to grade 7 fundraising (e.g., a fun lunch like McDonalds). The grade 7s would help distribute lunches to classrooms.
- Fundraising the remainder of the costs via the grade 7 committee.
- Funds for the grade 7s also comes in the form of the PAC contributing \$15 per student; and \$20 is charged per yearbook, which helps to cover the cost of the yearbooks for grade 7s.
- We will need headshots of the grade 7s for the yearbook. For grade 7s, the yearbook tends to include a headshot taken outside at DeBeck.
- This year, Jade has already booked 2 McDonald hot lunches for term 2.

## **9. New Business**

- Volleyball camps will be offered by Christina (former DeBeck family) to grades 6/7 in the winter. This will be advertised in the school newsletter.
- Ideas for next year: Halloween dance for families.

## **10. Q & A**

- Audrey got her food safe certificate. We will be reimbursed for this cost.

Meeting adjourned at 7:16pm.