***Minutes***

**Meeting Date: October 23, 2024**

**Time:**  7:00pm – 8:30pm

**Location:** Byng Library

**Chair:** May Lee, Co-Chair

**Attendance**: 25+

| **Description** | **Speaker** |
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| Welcome and Introductions  | May Lee, Co-Chair |
| PAC Annual General MeetingElection of 2024-2025 PAC Exec and addition of Members at Large**Motion for 2024-2025 PAC Executive**. No nominations from the floor.Proposed by Michelle Tseng, seconded by Bilge Ataca MacDonald. Ballot votes all in favor. Motion carries.Co-Chairs: May Lee, Jacqueline CrummeyVice Chair: Qian WangSecretaries: Bilge Ataca MacDonald (English), Xueming Lou (Louis)(Mandarin)DPAC reps: Nora Ng, Cindy GronerTreasurer: Jerry ZhangPast Co-Chair: Michelle Tseng**Motion for Members at Large**. Nomination from the floor: Michael StephenProposed by Michelle Tseng, seconded by Jacqueline Crummey. Ballot votes all in favor. Motion carries.Members at Large: Karrie Bogart, Juli Carrillo, Sara Gillingham, Jessica Huang, Claudette Lauzon, Charissa Patricelli, Ning Sun, Michelle Tseng, Jenny Xu**Motion to approve gaming grant allocation** for Byng Clubs. Proposed by Michelle Tseng, seconded by Juli Carrillo. Ballot votes all in favor. Motion Carries.  | Michelle Tseng, Co-Chair |
| Financial Update* Vancity General Account: $2,714.29
* Vancity Gaming Grant: $29,535.85
* Vancity Grad Committee Account: $8,427.88

Principal’s Update* Lord Byng 100th Anniversary celebrations-Mr. Martin’s pole will be raised. Students will work on paddles with the help of Mr. Martin.
* New staff were introduced and welcomed to Lord Byng.
* Gr. 8 Camp had challenges. Feedback was provided by parents. The issues will be addressed at the next PAC meeting and recommendations for next year will be given.
* 2024-2025 Major Fundraising Requests from Byng Administration:
	+ Outdoor learning space: a space (possibly part of the parking lot) where students can build large STEAM projects (Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts, Mathematics). Hands on projects for a new way of learning such as building a tiny house or a canoe.
	+ Upgrades to A006 - computer lab
	+ Upgrades to Auditorium Lighting
 | Mr. Wilmann,Principal |
| DPAC Update* Issues on anti-semitism will be discussed at the next DPAC meeting.
 | Nora Ng, DPAC Rep |
| Byng Arts Update* Byng Arts Parents Meeting Tuesday Oct 8. Summary available on the PAC website

 <https://www.lordbyngpac.com/byng-arts-parents>* Advocacy: Sept 20, 2024 - meeting with Mr. Wilmann and Ms. Bains (VSB Director of Instruction for Choice Programs); Oct 22, 2024 - follow up meeting with Ms. Bains.
 | Michelle Tseng |
| Diversity and Inclusion Update* Upcoming coffee/tea chat: Thursday Oct 31, Wicked Cafe
 | Jacqueline Crummey |
| Fundraising and Event Sub-Committee* Direct Appeal on Oct-Nov
* Gift card program to be enlarged by various grocery stores.
* Events
	+ Winter Fair-Jan
	+ Byng 100th Anniversary-May
	+ Staff Appreciation Lunch-June

Grad Committee Update* Visit the grad page on the PAC website or
* Email: bynggradcommittee2025@gmail.com
 | May LeeHilary Marsh |
| Q&ASuggestions by parents:* All clubs could have a table at the Winter Fair, which would make the event more inclusive and diverse.
* In order to get more parents sign up for the PAC e-mail list, papers with QR codes could be sent home with students.
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| Next PAC meeting is on Nov. 20th. Meeting Adjourned |  |