***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 Meeting  Election 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 Crummey  Vice Chair: Qian Wang  Secretaries: Bilge Ataca MacDonald (English), Xueming Lou (Louis)(Mandarin)  DPAC reps: Nora Ng, Cindy Groner  Treasurer: Jerry Zhang  Past Co-Chair: Michelle Tseng  **Motion for Members at Large**. Nomination from the floor: Michael Stephen  Proposed 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 Lee  Hilary Marsh |
| Q&A  Suggestions 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. |  |
| Next PAC meeting is on Nov. 20th.  Meeting Adjourned |  |