## Eric Hamber Secondary School Parent Advisory Council (PAC)

PAC Meeting Minutes February 3, 2016 7 pm – 8:10 pm Eric Hamber Staff Room

## PAC EXECUTIVE:

Chair: Nathan Wilkes
 Vice Chair: Michelle Robinson
 Treasurer: Gloria Dommer
 Secretary: Stephanie Leung

## **PAC Executives Present**:

**Staff Present**: Alex Grant (Principal)

Parents present: Sylvia Wong, Weldon Wong, Cheryl Pfeifer, Stephanie Yada, Paul Shum

Agenda Item	Discussion
Call to order	
1. Welcome Agenda /Minutes Nathan Wilkes	Reece Worth took the PAC on a tour of sound and lighting upgrades to the auditorium, which was partly funded by PAC.  January 6, 2016 meeting minutes approved
2. Teacher's report (Nicholas Francis)	Nicholas thanked PAC for the support of the choir and band trip which the grade 10's went to Whistler.  The Senior program will focus on Japanese band.  Tickets for Fiddler on the Roof Musical will be available next week.  The Hamber Band Facebook page is now live and the link will be posted on the PAC site.
3. Principal's report Alex Grant	American Math contest dates – some were written Feb 2 Pascal – Feb 24 CNML - Feb 23  Couple of hundred grade 7 students will be applying for English, Science, Socials and Math challenge (each subject accepts 30 students) and the Studio program accepts 30.  Code red drill scheduled for Feb 17 – may be postponed as the Vancouver School Board is revising Emergency Response procedures regarding lock down procedures

	and other emergency events.
	There is 5 year plan for school board and the VSB is seeking parental and student input. The survey can be found on the Hamber website which will also have the VSB strategic plan. Currently, the 5 year strategic plan is expiring.
	Long range facilities plans – looking at school closures if occupancy rates are below 95%. Vancouver's enrolments have been declining 500 students a year but no schools have ever been closed.
	Seismic upgrades – There is an agreement with the school board and province to move forward with seismic upgrade for schools with 95% occupancy. For Hamber it is looking more like an upgrade at this time versus a complete rebuild, which would be a rotation of sections to be renovated potentially using portables. Best case scenario, construction would start Sept 2018.
	SACY – Anti Drug gathering Feb 11
4. Treasurer's report (Michelle Robinson)	Cheques Issued in January \$10,928.00
	This includes last school year's (2014/15) gaming funds commitment for basketball hoops installation \$6,923. 2014/2015 year all paid – gaming
	Gaming Acct book balance at Jan 31/16 = \$24,811.43 General Acct book balance at Jan 31/16 = \$12,735.44
	General Acct 2014/15 commitment to install water cooler (abt \$2000)  – Invoice still not presented
	For next PAC meeting, prepare budget report to show how much gaming fund is left to spend. Look for any requests to fulfill (about \$2000 in total) – funded most of the main items.
5. New Business (Nathan Wilkes)	Hamber Constitution and By Laws reviewed at the last meeting.  Proposed changes - any sections referred as 50% plus 1 to be amended to simple majority.
	PAC accepted the revised By-Law with three options:  1) Approve bylaws as exactly 2) Amend the language to be changed 3) Agree not to change
	9 Ballots were passed around for all voting members Quorum and Voting section – amend the language to be changed to simple majority was passed.
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6. Adjournment	Meeting adjourned at 8:10 pm.
7. Next PAC Meeting	April 6, 2016  http://hamberpac.ca/calendar/