

MEETING MINUTES

École Secondaire Hugh McRoberts Secondary School

Parent Advisory Council (PAC) Minutes

Date: Wednesday, April 8th, 2026

Location: McRoberts Library

Time: 7 pm

Attendees: Amir Mahani (Chair), Teresa MacDonald (Vice-Chair), Bonnie Leung (Treasurer), Colleen Howu (Secretary), Wynne Lam (Fundraising), Anne-Marie Willcox (MAL, RDPA), Annabel L., Lillian A., Slava K. **Online:** Nicole Li (Co-Chair), Hajira Hussain (Co-Treasurer), H. Poon

School Representative: Jason Leslie (Principal)

Regrets: Haley B. (DAG chair), Melanie B.(DAG)

- 1) Welcome and Introductions: Vice-Chair Teresa opened the meeting by welcoming everyone at 7:00pm.
- 2) Motion to approve last meeting's minutes. Moved-Anne-Marie Seconded-Bonnie
- 3) Motion to approve the agenda. Moved-Amir Seconded-Anne-Marie
- 4) School Administration Report: Mr. Leslie. Great start after Spring break with positive signs of learning. Students are engaged and ready to learn. Winter Formal for Gr. 12 went well. TVR was finalized and Interim reporting went home before Spring break. Over 150 displays on Capstone Showcase on March 6. Students presented their works with so much pride and enthusiasm. On Mar 3-4, McRoberts hosted Gr.7 basketball tournaments. For the remaining two months of the school year, parents are reminded to keep an eye on their children like their sleep schedule, engagement level as their stress level may increase. Gr.12 students may feel overwhelmed. Counsellors will keep an eye on them and are available to help. There is a 50% uptake on the Universal lunch program. Lunches are provided free of charge to students once a month. Due to the \$3.6M budget shortfall, the administrative team will carefully review and adjust the blocks and staffing.
 - a) Question from Amir. Will McRoberts participate in the Capstone regional and provincial competition at UBC on April 9. Mr. Leslie is not aware of the competition and will get back to us.
 - b) Question from Slava. Will there be another University Fair? There was one on Nov 25, 2025. Nothing scheduled for the rest of this school year.
- 5) Dates to remember:

Apr 13: Evacuation Drill
Apr 16: S2 Learning update
Apr 22-23: Early Dismissal at 1pm and Parent Teacher Conference
May 5 : Immunization Clinic (Gr. 9)
May 13: May PAC meeting
See school calendar (<https://mcroberts.sd38.bc.ca/school-calendar>)

- 6) Committee Reports:
 - a. Treasurer Report –Bonnie. The balance for each account (via email):
 - i. Operating account: \$ 2,897.74
 - ii. Gaming account: \$25,546.38
 - b. From the Operating account, PAC is fundraising for 3 scholarships of \$500 each for our Gr. 12 graduates and Staff Appreciation Breakfast.
From the Gaming account, \$19,428.30 has been allocated to Teachers' wish list. PAC has committed \$2,040 to support DAG (\$10/ student).
 - b) Secretary Report – no report.
 - c) DAG Report – absent
- 7) Fundraising Report – Wynne. Raised \$269 from Bubble tea sale in March. Total amount raised from three events is \$966.14. PAC received a donation of \$250 from a parent. Grand total so far is \$1216.14. Not enough for 3 scholarships. Will have one more event before May.
- 8) RDPA – Anne-Marie. This month guest speakers talked about student well-being in multiple areas. Curriculum of PHE includes some self-awareness and self-management skills on students' well-being. Links to resources like erase are on the BC curriculum website. SD38 runs belonging survey to identify some areas of needs. Alternate program offers smaller classroom size and different resources on mental health for students who struggle in a regular classroom. It aims to help students build confident and get back to the regular classroom learning.
- 9) Old Business: None
- 10) New Business:
 - a) Canadian Parents for French (CPF): Colleen H. CPF representative. CPF supports and advocates for French language learning. Resources can be found online. CPF offers many programs like BC Family French Camps, Concours, Exchange program, and scholarships. CPF-Richmond chapter offers one \$500 scholarship to a Gr. 12 graduate in both McRoberts and McMath. Please see school admin for details. Membership is free. Students or parents can sign up online: <https://cpf.ca/join-cpf/>

April 15th- Free French Movie Night at McRoberts – Tous Toques!
 - b) Staff Appreciation Breakfast – June 24 (Wednesday) 8:00a.m. to 10:00a.m. Will need to confirm the number of staff. PAC will start looking for volunteers and sponsorship or donations to the event.

11) Meeting adjourned at 7:57 pm. Moved-Amir Seconded-Anne-Marie

Next PAC Meeting:

May 13th, 2026

7:00p.m.