

MEETING MINUTES

École Secondaire Hugh McRoberts Secondary School

Parent Advisory Council (PAC) Minutes

Date: Wednesday, September 16th, 2026

Location: McRoberts

Library Time: 7 pm

Attendees: Amir Mahani (Chair), Nicole Li (Co-Chair), Bonnie Leung (Treasurer), Colleen Howu (Secretary), Wynne Lam (Fundraising), Mivaol M, Maribeth L, Tiffan C, Vivian L, Caline O, Cindy C, Frances T, Tina H, Sammi W, Yuanwei S, CC Chang, CC Leung, Sowon H, Gemma H, Grace, Maryam A, Ali R, Sally M, Angeline N, CoCo X, Charmaine K, Zhanpong Q, Katy C, Sherry L, Mayukh S, Sara L, Steffi Z, Bannis C, Nicole H, Heliang Z, Andy C, Alicia R.

Online: Teresa MacDonald (Vice-Chair), Fetiya O, Gordon T, Junmin D, Nicole Z, Corinne N, Michelle L, Raymond, Jade P, Chloe S, Karen K, Isaac P, Ann-Marie C, Vivian W, Zeinab H, Priscila M, Mahfam R, Chrissy A, Sharline G, Lilibeth J, Marcus C, Denise L, Cedric L, Yandan L, L HY, Julia, Yuko, Alvin V, Fera Z, Christelle, Ekaterina M, Beth J, Tinnie C, Wen F, Clement C, Aiden

School Representative: Jason Leslie (Principal)

Regrets: Hajira Hussain (Co-Treasurer), Anne-Marie Willcox (MAL, RDPA)

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- 1) Welcome and Introductions: Co-Chair Nicole opened the meeting by welcoming everyone at 7:00pm.
 - 2) School Administration Report/ Q&A: Mr. Leslie
 - a) Parents are encouraged to check on their children, ask questions, and stayed engaged. Students will do best when parents are engaged.
 - b) PLT (personalized learning time) which is scheduled on Tuesdays and Thursdays allows students to see teachers for homework help or to catch up missed tests or work. Students decided what they do. Students need to sign up with the teachers or on the paper outside classrooms on the day before PLT. Teachers will take attendance. Gr. 8 and 9 students are temporarily not allowed to stay in the library in order to help them adjust to PLT.
 - c) Course changes are incredibly hard this year because most classes are full and no room to move around. Changes will be finalized by the end of this week.
 - d) Gr.8 wheels are a rotation of four electives that give students a taste of different electives McRoberts offers for Gr. 9 and up. Each rotation is about 4 to 5 weeks.
 - e) No cell phone during classes unless for educational purposes approved by the classroom teachers. School provides wifi for student.
 - f) AI use must be appropriate. Plagiarism is strictly prohibited.
 - g) Final grades for all courses that are Gr.10 and higher will go on transcript. Students collect

credits from these courses toward graduation requirements. Students may take courses that are higher or lower level than their current academic year.

- h) Sports Team has started. Students are encouraged to do something outside classrooms. Joining sports team or club help students stay connected with friends and create lasting memories. Universities favor well-rounded students.
 - i) Our school offers AP Chemistry and AP Calculus. AP Arts is not offered this year due to low enrollment. Students may challenge the AP exam without taking the AP courses.
 - j) Collaboration Day is scheduled once a month where all the teachers meet and work on a multi-subject project together.
 - k) Our school district (SD38) has a \$4M budget shortfall this year due to decline student enrollment.
 - l) Our Theme for this year: Be Kind, Be Honest, Be Humble, Be Proud
- 3) Dates to remember:
- Sep 24 : Gr 12 Info Night/ Gr 8 Parent Night/ Meet the Teacher Night
 - Sep 25: Pro-D Day-- No school
 - Sep 28: Terry Fox Run
 - Sep 29: Orange Shirt Day
 - Sep 30: National Day for Truth and Reconciliation – No School
 - Oct 2: Clubs Day (about 60 clubs will showcase during lunch time)
 - Oct 12: Thanksgiving – No School
 - Oct 14: PAC Meeting
- See school calendar (<https://mcroberts.sd38.bc.ca/school-calendar>)
- 4) PAC Election for 2026-2027 term:
- a) Chairperson: Nicole Li
 - b) Co-Chairperson: Theresa MacDonald and Priscila Minin
 - c) Treasurer: Bonnie Leung;
 - d) Co-treasurer: Ali Rajool Dezfooli
 - e) Secretary: Colleen Howu
 - f) RDPA rep: Mayukh Saubhasik and Anne-Marie (stepped down after the meeting)
 - g) Fundraising: Wynne Lam
 - h) Dry After Grad Chair: Caline Oliveira
- 5) New Business:
- a) Canadian Parents for French (CPF): Learning resources, programs, camps are offered to students and families for French learning. Membership is free. Students or parents can sign up online: <https://cpf.ca/join-cpf/>
 - b) RDPA will host a All-Trustee candidates Meet and Greet at McRoberts on September 29th at 7:00p.m.. Details will be finalized and posted.

- c) PAC planning for the upcoming year is underway, including connecting with volunteers, and exploring ways to strengthen parent engagement and support our school community. We look forward to sharing more updates as plans continue to develop.
 - d) (Post meeting note) Co-treasurer Ali Rajool Dezfooli will be added as a signer of PAC bank account. Previous executives will be removed from the account.
- 6) Meeting adjourned at 8:22pm.

Next PAC Meeting:

October 14th, 2026

7:00 p.m.

School Library and MS TEAMS