



A.R. MacNeill Parent Advisory Council (PAC) **Annual General Meeting Minutes / Notes**



Meeting Date: Wednesday, May 14th, 2025

Meeting Venue: A.R. MacNeill School Library

Welcome and Introductions

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM

In attendance: Mr. John Blair (Principal), Jag Reehal (Chair), Dickens CHEUNG (Secretary), Mar Tinsay, Stephen Lissack.

The Meeting Minutes of the previous PAC meeting in April 2025 was approved.

The Agenda was approved and there were no Additions to the Agenda.

Administration Report by Mr. John Blair, Principal of A.R. MacNeill Secondary School:

1. A visit is scheduled with an artist to explore options for a new **gym mural** in June.
2. The sound system in the gymnasium is due for an upgrade; however, the cost is significant, estimated at a minimum of \$60,000.
3. SD38 has identified approximately **\$11 million in unspent funds** across schools and will be clawing back a portion, which will likely result in **budget cuts**.
4. **Academic Alerts** will be sent out shortly for students who may be at risk of not graduating.

Chairperson Report by Mr. Jag Reehal, Chairperson

1. A **Richmond News article** raised concerns regarding the lack of distribution of LGBTQ2+ resource information through its RDPA Facebook Page and Emails.
2. Elections for the new **RDPA Council** have concluded.

Treasurer Report by Mr. Jag Reehal, Interim Treasurer

1. For May 2025, the PAC accounts have the following balances:
 - Gaming Account – \$8,815.74
 - Dry Grad Account – \$12,134.15
 - General Account – \$19.76
2. We have 2 years to spend any gaming funds from the B.C. Provincial Government to remain compliant.

Dry After Grad Report by Mr. Dickens CHEUNG, Secretary and DAG Treasurer

1. There are 97 confirmed Grads attending Dry After Grad for this 2024/2025 school year.
2. Vendors and Contracts have mostly been finalized. More paperwork and burdensome agreements to sign with the School District compared with previous years.
3. We have an amazing team of dedicated parent volunteers (12 in regular attendance at meetings and a handful more helping behind the scenes) and this Dry After Grad will definitely be a success!

Community Grant Report by Mr. Jag Reehal, Chairperson

1. The **A.R. MacNeill Richmond Summer Concert Community Grant** application was successful, and \$900 has been granted (out of a \$2,000 possible maximum grant).

Event Date: **June 17th, 2025**

Event Time: **5:00 PM – 8:00 PM** (Volunteers needed from 3:00 PM – 9:00 PM).

Budget allocation: \$800 for refreshments and \$200 for marketing. PAC will step in to support and cover the shortfall.

2. Volunteers are needed for:
 - Manning the food and drink stations
 - Costco run for supplies

Accomplishments Report by Mr. Jag Reehal, Chairperson

1. **Garbage cans** from the City of Richmond have arrived (not yet bolted down).
2. **Mural project** is hopefully moving forward.
3. PAC will continue to support **Dry Grad initiatives**.
4. **New Athletics programs** has started, working towards upgrading a scorekeeping table.

PAC Executive Team Nominations and Elections

The following individuals were elected for the 2025/2026 school year:

1. **Chairperson:** Jag Reehal
2. **Secretary:** Mar Tinsay
3. **Treasurer:** Dickens CHEUNG
4. **Co-Treasurer:** Stephen Lissack

PAC Meeting Dates for the 2025/2026 School Year

4. September 24th, 2025
5. October 15th, 2025
6. November 19th, 2025
7. December 17th, 2025
8. January 21st, 2026
9. February 18th, 2026
10. April 15th, 2026
11. May 13th, 2026

With no further business, the 2025 PAC Annual General Meeting was adjourned at 7:35 PM.

The first PAC Meeting of the 2025/2026 School Year will be held on September 24th 2025 at 7:00 PM in the Library.