



A.R. MacNeill Parent Advisory Council (PAC)



Meeting Minutes / Notes

Meeting Date: January 21, 2026

Meeting Venue: A.R. MacNeill School Library

Welcome and Introductions

The meeting was called to order at 7:00pm.

In attendance: Mr. John Blair (Principal), Jag Reehal (Chair), Dickens Cheung (Treasurer), Stephen Lissack (co-treasurer), Mar Tinsay (Secretary), Marine Walic, Nicole McKay

The Meeting Minutes of the previous PAC meeting in November 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. Staying connected – website, Instagram @armacneill
2. December Events – Winter Breakfast, Grade 12 TVR, Dreama Production “Pieces of Mind” and Student Voice
3. Parent Teacher Feedback – December
 - a. Parents may meet with any of their child’s teachers, not only the teacher(s) who requested a meeting.
4. Open House – Thursday, January 22nd
 - a. 6pm – 7pm: Grade 7 Night
 - b. 7pm – 8:30pm: Open House
5. Program Planning
 - a. Student Assemblies are Jan 27th
 - i. Period 1 – Grade 11
 - ii. Period 2 – Grade 10
 - iii. Period 3 – Grade 9
 - iv. Period 4 – Grade 8
 - b. Forms and Entry into MyEd BC are due February 9th
 - i. Having this completed fully allows best chances for course selection
 - ii. Support for students struggling with MyEd BC are happening during PLT
 - iii. Password management is something we need to talk to teens about (password is reset every 90 days)
6. Interims – February 5th – emailed home to parents
7. Please note the following important dates
 - a. MacNeill Grade 7 Information Night – January 28, 6pm

- b. MacNeill Open House – January 22, 7pm
- c. Grade 7 Basketball Tournament – March 11
- d. Grade 7 Welcome Day at MacNeill – May 14
- 8. Process for Transfers and Numbers (approximately 200+- right now)
 - a. Round 1 Transfer Application Period
 - i. February 9, 2026 – February 27, 2026
 - ii. Transfer decisions communicated to parents by March 13, 2026
 - iii. Transfer complaint deadline is April 3, 2026
 - b. Round 3 Late Transfer Application Period
 - i. February 28, 2026 – May 8, 2026
 - ii. Transfer decisions communicated to parents by June 12, 2026
 - iii. Transfer complaint deadline is June 19, 2026
 - c. Late Transfer Application Period
 - i. May 9, 2026 – ongoing
 - ii. Transfer decisions communicated to parents by September 11, 2026
 - iii. Transfer complaint deadline is September 16, 2026
- 9. Second round for club applications for funds due before Spring Break

Chairperson Report by Mr. Jag Reehal, Chairperson

- 1. DPAC meeting – increase awareness of D.A.R.E. in schools
- 2. Emailed about Outdoor Ed Incentive Program continuing
- 3. Contacted the City about the parking along Granville (may cause blind spot for those exiting the school)
- 4. Contacted the City for an additional garbage can and better signage for off-leash dogs in the park
- 5. FIFA/City offering \$2k for putting a soccer-related event
- 6. Teacher Appreciation dessert was well received
- 7. Looking into a community event to fund

Treasurer Report – Financial Report

- 1. For January 2026, the PAC accounts have the following balances:
 - Gaming Account – \$19,363.92
 - Dry Grad Account – \$4,513.99
 - General Account – \$19.76

Dry Grad Report

- 1. Good turnout for first meeting today
- 2. No estimated number of tickets yet (115 at Winter Formal)

With no further business, the PAC Meeting was Adjourned at 7:30pm

The next PAC Meeting will be held on Wednesday, February 21, 2026 at 7:00 PM in the Library.