

# Agenda

## George Jay PAC General Meeting

23 September 2021 - 6:30pm – 8:00  
Zoom

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### Attendees

**Executive:** Mathew Payne, Leslie Rewega, Sam Albers, Steve Palmer, Naomi McCormick

**Caregivers:** Sarah, Hannah Relvee, Sean Chester, Myra James, Cam Stewart, Melchie Dela Cruz, Melanie Bullins, Meaghan Hoyle, Ethan Maxwell Mahirwe, Alison Melville, Nicole Freesman, Michelle Riley, Jade Ashbourne, Kate Berniaz, Allie McKenzie, Kim Persley, Jade Ashbourne, Collen Danks, Tanja De La Hoz-Luckett, Karla Marshall, Jo Addison, Kathryn C, Scott M,

**Staff:** Sarah Winkler, Sanjiv Galhon

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### Minutes

1. Welcome and recognition of traditional territories
  - *The George Jay Parent Advisory Council wishes to recognize and acknowledge the Esquimalt and Songhees Nations, on whose traditional territories, we live, we learn, and we do our work.*
2. Acceptance of Agenda
3. Acceptance of Minutes from the previous meeting
4. Introductions to 2021/22 Executive
  - Mathew Payne (President), Leslie Rewega (~~\*Treasurer~~-Secretary), Sam Albers (~~\*Secretary~~-Treasurer), Steve Palmer (Member at Large), Naomi McCormick (Member at Large) \*switching roles
  - Vice President position is vacant. If interested, contact [georgejaypacpresident@gmail.com](mailto:georgejaypacpresident@gmail.com)
5. Principal's Report (Sarah)
  - Sanjiv – Joining the school from Eagle View

- School population: 454 students. 8 French and 16 English divisions
  - Some breathing room and space
  - Strong Start back
  - 74 kindergarten students
- Welcoming new staff this week
  - Ann Balkowski
  - Emily Forster
  - Music position remains empty. Recruitment in process.
- COVID-19 update
  - Appreciating the daily health checks
  - Requesting students bring their own masks
- Code of Conduct
  - Read it over with a child. Guides how we behave at school.
- Forms
  - Please get those done
- Volunteers
  - We Will eventually be welcoming volunteers back into the school.
  - The school is particularly looking for fresh fruit volunteers. Will require being double vaccinated.
- Important Upcoming Dates
  - Pro-D day (Sept 27)
  - Orange shirt day (Sept 29)
  - Truth and Reconciliation day (Sept 30)
  - Picture day (Oct 4)
- Question from Matthew – what is the notification about the COVID exposures?
  - Only those who are directly impacted will be contacted. That may change.

#### 6. President's Report (Matthew)

- Update on the renaming process. PAC voted to rename the school in a June meeting
- Past years have included lots of great events. Because of COVID, many have been cancelled.
- Update regarding Fall events (ie. Welcome to School Event, Halloween Event, & Holiday Emporium)
  - Emporium has been sunsetted – find a way to do something different. More or less all events are on hold
  - Hoping to host a quiz night in February
  - School street event
  - EDI committee will also host events throughout the year. If are interested in participating on the committee, please contact Naomi [georgejaypacmember2@gmail.com](mailto:georgejaypacmember2@gmail.com).
- Budget update- Approval at next meeting

#### 7. Secretary's Report (Sam)

- Motion to accept a request for Sam Albers (Secretary) and Leslie Rewega (Treasurer) to switch positions.
- School streets (Kate)
  - Closing down Queen St.
  - Discussing the importance

8. Budgetary motions
  - Motion for the PAC to support the school streets team and allocate \$500 in the budget for the 2021/22 year. (Sam) Seconded by Steve
    - 100% support
  - Motion for the PAC to support the HAWC Weekly Fruit & Vegetable Program and allocate \$4000 for the year. (Seconded by Leslie)
    - 100% support
9. Call for Nomination for PAC Executive Vice-President position
10. Other business
  - Call for grant writers to support a trees in neighbourhood program.
11. Adjourn meeting

**The next general meeting is scheduled for 13 October 2021 at 6:30 pm.**