

JG Diefenbaker Elementary School  
PAC Meeting Minutes  
April 9, 2025

Attendance: Regina Vosahlo(Principal), Soledad Stevenson (Vice Principal), Melissa Burns & Nicole Stoltz (Co-Chairs), Angela Leung (Secretary), Stephanie Crossley (Hot Lunch Coordinator), Anney Ha (Member at large), Kathleen Stevens (Treasurer), Carly Ho, Ben Dodman, Emily Thompson, Tressa Cabana, Mimi Matsuo

Meeting started at 6pm

Motion to approve minutes from Anney, seconded by Stephanie  
Motion to approve today's minutes by Stephanie. Seconded by Angela

**Admin Report:**

We are excited to begin our last term of learning. The term has been filled with many school-wide and class happenings such as Track Attack, Bulldog Family Teams and outdoor gardening activities.

**1. Seismic Project Update**

- Jonathan Ho is the new project manager, he has experience in his work with the Richmond School District for many decades
- Project committee will meet in April 22 (12-1pm) with representation from the PAC (TBA) and school staff, and district
- Ground preparation will begin mid-April for about 4 weeks on the back field just off Fortune Road
- Construction will now schedule to begin in April of 2026

**We are looking for input regarding the new school build and playground. Please look for more information to come in Week at a Glance from the Admin. Please forward any suggestions, questions to PAC representative**

## **2. Visit from Japan's Kwansei Gakuin Elementary School on May 22, 2025 9am-1pm**

- 45 Japanese students (Grade 5 and Grade 6) will visit Diefenbaker
- Presentation about Japanese culture (by the Japanese students)
- Performing Japanese traditional dance performance (by the Japanese students)
- class visits and lunch with local Canadian students (12:05 pm - 12:55 pm)

## **3. Grade 7 June activities**

- Thank you to the incredible Grad Committee for planning all year for the June Leaving Ceremony and for trip to Spanish Banks
- We have parent volunteer committees to help with organization of yearbook, June 24<sup>th</sup> ceremony decorations, and lunch
- Hugh Boyd leadership class students have planned for two sessions with our Grade 6/7 students on ways that kindness impacts others for life, team building and transition to high school

## **4. Track & Field meet**

- Grade 4 - 7 only due to District capacity limits
- On May 14<sup>th</sup>, all day at Minoru Park
- Will need help with parent drivers & cheering for our amazing athletes (Students should be at the event area at least 15 minutes prior to their event time)
- Diefenbaker will be stationed on the Right side of the Grand Stands

## **5. Welcome to Kindergarten**

- On Wednesday, May 28<sup>th</sup> at 1 pm in the gym

- We would love to have a PAC executive member to attend and welcome our new parents.

## **6. Registration for next school year**

- Kindergarten registrations are at 20 students
- Our enrollment is similar to last year at this time
- Two Grade 6 LFI classes and two grade 7 LFI classes next year

**7. Thank you** for your immense help in funding our new PE equipment (especially the new Diefenbaker jerseys) and Technology: one new ipad cart, 10 new laptops and 6 new projectors.

## **Term 3 Upcoming events:**

May 14 <sup>th</sup>	Track & Field meet at Minoru
May 16 <sup>th</sup>	Pro-D Day
May 22 <sup>nd</sup>	Visit from Japanese students
May 28 <sup>th</sup>	1 pm Welcome to Kindergarten
May 27 <sup>th</sup>	1 pm Walkathon
June 6 <sup>th</sup>	Fun Day
June 13 <sup>th</sup>	Grade 7s to Spanish Banks Beach
June 24 <sup>th</sup>	9:30 am Grade 7 Leaving Ceremony
June 26 <sup>th</sup>	9:30 am Year-End Assembly
June 26 <sup>th</sup>	Last day of school, Report Cards will be published on MyEdBC

## **UPDATES:**

### **Walk-a-thon**

*Melissa/Nicole*

Tuesday, May 27, 2025 in the afternoon

### **Mother's Day Baskets**

*Mimi*

(Thurs. May 8 delivery) send out notices in WAG Friday, April 11

**Tattoos** (Diefenbaker Bulldog name and logo) *Melissa/Nicole*

- Motion to order Tattoos (max \$600) Kathleen, 2nd by Mimi
- for Track and Field (Gr 4-7) and Sports day

**Japan's Kwansei Gakuin Elementary School Support**

May 22 (Welcoming Committee -Mimi offered the 3 Matsuo children to prepare a welcome with Admin in Japanese)

**Welcome to Kindergarten**

- May 28 Pac will provide small info package and treat

**Babysitting Course**

*Angela*

- Fri. May 16 on site at Diefenbaker

**Funday treats**

- June 6 -PAC will offer 1 treat (1 flavour only) all students and staff

**Staff Lunch** -TBA for June

*Kelly/Nicole*

**Prizes from Taobao**

*Anney/Melissa*

- to be packaged for Walk-a-thon prizes

**Traffic Safety**

*Melissa/Nicole*

- few replies, we still need help for Mon-Wed, or occasionally
- School Liaison officer will be around more in Spring. More

**PAC Chair/Returning executives 2025-2026**

- new PAC chair(s)
- call for new Hot Lunch committee members to help Stephanie

**Treasurer Update**

*Kathleen/Anney*

- all accounts are looking good
- Gaming Accounts

**Hot Lunch**

*Stephanie*

- needing more volunteers to help especially on Friday

Meeting Adjourned at 7:42pm

Next and final Meeting: Wednesday, May 28th -AGM