

Minutes for the meeting of the Vanier Parent Advisory Council, held via Zoom on Tuesday September 21st, 2021 at 6:30pm

## **Attendance**

Salinas Laperriere - Co-Chair  
Sara O'Malley  
Donna Desmet  
April Toews  
Lee McKillican - VP  
Wayne Kuhnert - VP  
Dave Mayert - VP  
Michelle Waite - School Trustee  
Alexandra Lamont  
Megan Penney  
Jocelyn Manley - DPAC rep  
Julie Shields - Principle  
Carolyn  
Diane Noel

Meeting called to order at 6:32pm  
Recognition of Traditional Territories by Julie Shields.

Salinas motions to adopt agenda. Carried Jocelyn and Donna  
Motion to approve minutes from May 18th 2021 meeting. Carried Jocelyn, Alexandra and Megan

## **Reports**

### **Salinas's Report**

Salinas was excited to see how the teachers rocked it with everything they did last year. Everyone did such an amazing job during the pandemic. Looking forward to starting this year with a whole group of new parents

### **Julie's Report (Principal)**

A little more normalcy this year. Starting on the first Tuesday this year with 450 new to Vanier students. The school now has Athletics back, clubs are back. Arts are up and running. Trips are starting to happen again. It has been a really nice start. There is only problem that has occurred this year. Devious Licks is a Tiktok sensation. It is acts of vandalism in the school that are being recorded. Typically it is happening in the bathroom. An incident occurred yesterday at Vanier. Sprinklers were damaged and a locker door ripped off. If anyone hears anything from their kids the please let the school know.

### **Lee's Report (VP)**

Staff meeting after school today. Things to celebrate. They missed kids playing in the gym, socializing in the cafeteria etc. It has been a really solid start. He usually likes to ask for money at these meetings but is not going to yet. A school bike storage project is underway. He doesn't at this time have a completion date but will let us know when he has a better idea.

### **Dave's Report (VP)**

Volleyball has started up. Disc golf and weightlifting has also started. Improv also started this past Monday. Great to see all the kids using the building

### **Jocelyn Report DPAC**

DPAC is the District Parent Advisory Council. Every school has representative. Also the school trustees attend if possible and Tom Demeo and Geoff Manning. Last year was my first year going to the DPAC meetings. Due to the fact we have a large number of elementary schools in the valley is it great to be able to attend and be a voice for the high school students. They tend to be longer than the Vanier PAC meeting but it is always interesting to get information about what is happening in the school district.

### **Michelle's Report (School Trustee)**

Wants to take us back in time to June. We had year two of the drive through grad. It was great to see a whole family drive up and see the student graduate. It was special to be part. The staff did a fantastic job.

As for this year, in the district the numbers are up, which we like to see.

It is exciting to hear about all of the activities that are back. Public board meeting next Tuesday.

### **Treasure's Report**

Salinas - Our treasure last year has left as student graduated. We will have a better report for next meeting. In our gaming fund at the end of last year we had \$28880.43. There were some cheques written after that so it isn't the final figure.

### **New Business**

Salinas - We are recruiting new parents for this year. We had three of our PAC members leave at the end of last year as they all had students graduating. It is quite a bit different from elementary schools. It is more hands off. We get gaming grants and we help allocate those funds to things like year book subsidizing, sports uniforms, outside seating areas, outdoor bike rack etc. As kids grow older it is nice to be able to be involved still. Our meeting are the third Tuesday of every month and run from 6:30 to 7:30 pm

### **Nominations - run by Julie Shields**

We need the formal resignations of last years.

Jocelyn Manley resigns as DPAC representative

Salinas Laperriere resigns as Co-chair

There are 5 positions

Chair

Co-chair

Secretary

Treasure

DPAC representative

Julie calls for nominations for chair and co chair

Salinas Laperriere volunteers for Chair

Trish McPhail volunteers for co chair

Second call for nominations, third and final call for Chair and co-chair

Filled with Salinas Laperriere as Chair and Trish McPhail as Co-chair

Julie calls for nominations for Secretary

Sara O'Malley volunteers and Diane Noel volunteers for Secretary

Sara O'Malley withdrew

Second call for nominations for secretary, third and final call for Secretary

Declared Diane Noel as Secretary

Call for nominations for Treasurer  
Megan Penney volunteers for Treasurer  
Second call for nominations for secretary, third and final call for Treasurer  
Declared Megan Penney as Treasurer

Julie calls for nominations for DPAC representative  
Jocelyn Manley and Donna Desmet volunteer to share the role  
Second call for nominations for DPAC, third and final call for DPAC representative  
Filled with Jocelyn and Donna as DPAC representatives.

**Next meeting** is October 19th at 6:30 pm. We will let you know if it is going to be via Zoom or in person.

Salinas adjourns the meeting at 7:19 pm.

Thanks everyone for attending