

Vanier PAC Agenda: November 15th, 2022

Date: Tuesday November 15th, 2022

The next PAC meeting will be held on Tuesday, November 17th at 6:30 pm in person in room 164 of Vanier. PAC meeting to end at 7:30 pm promptly.

1. Call to order - Welcome/Introductions, 6:30pm
Recognition of Traditional Territories by Julie Shields.
2. Review and Adoption of Agenda for Nov 15, adopted by Ray and Megan, motion carried.
3. Adoption of October 18th, 2022, minutes. Adopted by Ray and Ara, motion carried.
4. Unfinished Business:
5. Reports
 - a) Chair –Salinas LaPerriere
 - b) Administration – Julie Shields
 - c)

November 2022 Admin Report To PAC

Second term started at the beginning of the week. Report cards will be posted to MyEd on Monday November 21st. Teachers should be making contact with parents of students they are concerned about next week. If you have any questions or concerns regarding your child's progress, please connect with the teacher by email. Our email addresses can be found on our website - [Contact Us](#). End of term was a busy time, with a Flex Day, grade 12 students writing their grade 12 Literacy assessment (linked to their English 12 class), fall sports teams having their Island and provincial tournaments, and Remembrance Day.

Athletics –

- **Volleyball** - Grade 8 girls finishing up this week with the Zone Tournament on Tuesday.
- Gr 9 Girls finished up with a successful Zone Championship tournament 2 weeks ago.
- Sr boys and girls are both at the Island championships this weekend in Victoria.
- Jr girls competed at Islands last week and Jr boys qualified but did not take part due to illness on the team.
- **Cross Country** - Small but enthusiastic team competed in the local meets and Bella Saccucci ran in the Island Championships and qualified for Provincials.
- **Aquatics** - We had a team of 3 that competed in the Island Championship and Sadie Williams qualified to compete this weekend at Provincials ranked #1 in the province in 2 events.
- **Disc Golf** - Successful 2nd year of play this fall with a small but dedicated group.
- **Boys Soccer** - A group of keen students got a late start on the season and played a couple exhibition games this fall.
 - **Wrestling** - The weekly practices at Vanier have been well attending by students from throughout the district.

- **Weightlifting** - Training is now going Monday-Thursday from 3-5pm
- **Basketball** - Has started over the last couple weeks. Sr and Jr team rosters are almost finalized. Gr 8 boys had their first practice Monday and Gr 8 girls are planning a practice early next week.
- Games and Tournaments start November 28th
- **Ski and Snowboard** - Signup has already started and with the opening of Mt Washington on December 9th details are coming soon for practices and races in January.

Citizenship –

Citizenship activities and giving back is something that has been embraced at Vanier. The Baking 12 class has baked 2500+ cookies for EDAS (Everyone Deserves A Smile) gift packages. Many schools within the valley help out with the packages, gathering up donations of socks, gloves, hats, scarves and small personal hygiene items. A winter coat drive has been underway for a few weeks. The Sports Leadership class put together a haunted house experience for the school in our multipurpose room during the Halloween week. Our Leadership 9-12 class put on a phenomenal Remembrance Day service to the entire school, and the guest speaker Marcel Kozyn gave a powerful reflection of his service both at home and abroad. The Christmas Hamper Drive will be beginning in December, as Vanier continues to support our community.

Visual & Technical Arts –

Vanier is hosting the district Musical Matilda, with performances in the spring. Students from all over the district are working hard to get their parts right, including coming in on Friday nights and weekends – since that was the best time for all of the students to gather together. The SD71 Band Festival is happening this week, with Vanier's Senior Band and Grade 9 Band having their performances tomorrow. The North Island Regional Drama Festival is happening at Highland later this week, with Vanier having a couple of teams participating. Classes like the Vanier Creative Collective continue to work on their personalized projects – creating masterpieces combining woodwork, metalwork, electronics, and/or art.

Extra Curriculars –

Clubs and teams are starting to return to preCOVID levels. The school is busy on Mondays and Thursdays. To check out everything that students can participate in, please check out our announcements and week at a glance - <https://www.comoxvalleyschools.ca/gp-vanier-secondary/> (bottom of the page).

Grad –

There is a grad parent meeting tomorrow night (Wednesday November 16th) 6:30 pm.

Student & Family Affordability Fund – Vanier was given \$53,000 to support students and families over this year. The school district and school are working with community partner groups to support our students in these challenging times. More information will be coming. Lush Valley is working with the school district to provide Good Food Boxes For

Families. If you are looking for more information on this support, please go to the Lush Valley Website - <https://lushvalley.org/sd71-partnership/>

Vandalism – Vanier, like many other schools in the valley has been hit with a wave of vandalism recently. The school district has already spent over \$20,000 repairing damage and repainting. Please have a word with your child, especially if you hear about it in your home. Students found responsible for the damage will have the cost of the repair charged to them, and possibly be referred to the RCMP if the vandalism results in a police file.

Upcoming Events –

November 21 – Report cards posted to Myed

November 21-25th – Parent-Teacher contact week

December 7 – Flex Day and Winterfest (Grad Evening Event)

December 16 – Last day of school

January 3 – First day back

January 11 – January Flex Day

January 17 – January PAC meeting

- d) DPAC – Rae Walsh
 - a. Lush Valley Food offer of food boxes for those in need and student food program. Lush website has information on their website.
 - b. Reminder to PAC to review the strategic plan.
 - c. Ministry of Education discussed how consent would be taught and to whom.
 - d. New school board was sworn in.
 - e. Seacan Earthquake Kit discussion
 - e) Trustee – TBA
 - f) Treasurer’s report – Megan Penney
 - a. Motion to approve 2022-2023 budget which was based on historical year percentage allocation. Motion to approve by Pam and approved by all in attendance, Megan, Ray, Ara and Salinas.
6. New Business
- a) Composting and Cafeteria Environmental update
 - a. Moving away from single use cutlery discussion
 - b. Vending machine discussion for healthy option and they are currently on contract and already have guidelines to follow.
 - b) Ministry Funding of Student affordability Fund to SD71 and how parents can help – discussion occurred
7. Date and Time of next meeting: Tuesday Jan 17th at 6:30 pm
8. Agenda items for the next meeting: TBA
9. Adjournment at 7:26 pm, all in favor by everyone in attendance.