

**École Alpha Secondary School  
Parent Advisory Council (PAC) Meeting  
April 13, 2026, 7:00pm  
Via Zoom**

**MINUTES  
Approved May 4, 2026**

**CALLED TO ORDER:** 7:02pm

**PRESENT:** *Executive: Maria F., Ella H., Liezel L.*  
*DPAC Rep:*  
*Principal: Mimi Lim*  
*Members: Sally F., Kevin S., Erin B., Mark C., Vasanth K., Connie, Mehrdad E., Johanna K, Kori V.*

**REGRETS:** Nancy N., Vivien G., Paola F.

**QUORUM:** Yes

Topic	Presenter
1. <b>Welcome</b>	Maria F.
<b>2. Approval of Agenda</b>  <b>Amendments:</b> None <b>Motion:</b> Vasanth K. <b>Second:</b> Liezel L. <b>Approved</b>	Maria F.
<b>3. Approval of Minutes from February 2, 2026</b>  <b>Amendments:</b> None <b>Motion:</b> Kevin S. <b>Second:</b> Vasanth K. <b>Approved</b>	Maria F.
<b>4. Principal's Report</b>  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Ms. Lim thanked the PAC community for the donated benches and reported a good attendance at student learning conferences using a hybrid model</li> <li>- Capstone Presentations are scheduled for April 21. Grade 11s will participate to get a sense of what they can expect next year</li> <li>- Burnaby's Got Talent will be held on April 27 at Michael J. Fox Theatre. For tickets, please contact the school</li> <li>- Course selections have been completed; almost all courses will run next year</li> <li>- Student Learning Survey will be open until May 3. A QR code to access the survey will be included in the next School Bulletin</li> <li>- School fees</li> </ul>	Ms. Lim

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Any changes will be nominal. The main updates will be descriptive rather than amount-based.</li> <li>- Student activity fees will remain at \$35.00</li> <li>- PE funds will now be used specifically for optional field trips. Students can opt out of paying this fee</li> <li>- First aid certification is transitioning from St. John’s Ambulance to the Red Cross.</li> <li>- Discussion regarding bringing in external speakers and instructors for classes, and that we are shifting to having our teachers speak to students instead</li> <li>- Comment that guest speakers can be paid using gaming grant funds. Teachers would need to submit requests at the beginning of next year if funds were not yet spent</li> <li>- Ms. Lim will check with Shannon regarding which teachers have not spent their gaming grant funds and remind them to submit receipts/claims</li> <li>- Ms. Lim will check with Shannon to confirm if new choir and band teachers are aware of the process for applying for gaming grants</li> <li>- Ms. Lim will continue discussions with facilities/design team regarding the request to change the proposed basketball/tennis court to a multi-court and await confirmation</li> </ul>	
<p><b>5. Chairperson’s Report</b></p>	<p>Maria F.</p>
<p><b>6. Treasurer’s Report</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- The five new outdoor benches were installed thanks in part to donations</li> <li>- 50-50 draw raised \$630.00 after expenses.</li> <li>- General fund stands at approximately \$31,000.00 with \$12,000.00 of that allocated for the new benches once we receive the invoice.</li> </ul>	<p>Liezel L.</p>
<p><b>7. Fundraising Update</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- In May, we will run a Neufeld fundraiser</li> </ul> <p><b>8. Inclusion Committee Report</b></p> <p><b>9. Parent Grade 12 Dry Grad Committee Report</b></p> <p><b>10. District Parent Advisory Council (DPAC) Representative Report</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Budget meeting will be on Wednesday, April 15 from 7:00pm to 9:00pm at Burnaby Central Secondary School. Ishver Khunguray, SD41 Secretary-Treasurer will be presenting</li> <li>- Upcoming dates to note: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- April 16 - Understanding AI in Education parent session by School District</li> <li>- April 20 - DPAC budget follow up meeting</li> <li>- April 22 - Partner-group input</li> <li>- April 28 - Board budget approval</li> <li>- May 25 - Appreciation event</li> </ul> </li> <li>- DPAC Parent Information Night on social media awareness, digital citizenship, and cyberbullying was presented by Safer Schools Together in March. Please refer to this <a href="#">link</a> to view the parent resource slides</li> </ul> <p><b>11. Expansion Committee Report</b></p>	<p>Maria F.</p> <p>Sally F. Parent Vivien G.</p> <p>Vivien G.</p>

<p><b>12. Other Business</b></p>	
<p><b>13. Upcoming Events/Dates of Interest</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● <b>Wed, Apr 15 - Early dismissal 2:21pm</b></li> <li>● <b>Tues, Apr 21 - Capstone Pres. - Gr 8, 9, 10 11:17am start</b></li> <li>● <b>Mon, Apr 27 - Pro D Day - No school</b></li> <li>● <b>Tues, Apr 28 - Term 3 Report Cards</b></li> </ul> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● <b>NEXT PAC meeting: Annual General Meeting - Mon. May 4, 2026 at 7:00pm</b></li> </ul>	

**MOTION TO ADJOURN:** Ella H.

**Second:** Liezel L.

***Approved***

**ADJOURNED:** 8:35pm