**QM PAC   
Meeting Minutes**

**Tuesday, September 10, 2024**

1st meeting of 2024/2025 school year

Held Online

18 people present

Time: 7 – 8:17 pm

Next Meeting: Tuesday, October 8.

**NEW ACTION ITEMS:**

1. PAC Secretary role available.
2. Need volunteers to make possible many fun events.
3. Heidi will organize Holiday sing-along concert and report back re costs & logistics at next PAC meeting.
4. Melissa will organize registry with Kids Books and librarian.
5. Looking for ideas for anti-bullying awareness: T-shirt design source or alternate (e.g. poster contest)

(Action Items also highlighted below.)

ATTENDANCE

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| **Identified by Name** | **Identified by Screen Name Only** | | |
| Elysa Derban | Angie Qiu |  |  |
| Heidi Nienaber | Ben McDonald | |  |
| Laura Atkins | Cloud |  |  |
| Michael Stephen | iPad |  |  |
| Natalia Kravchenko | iPhone |  |  |
| Raymon Wong | Maggie |  |  |
| Robin Atkins | Shim, Jiyeon |  |  |
| Ting Liu | unknown |  |  |
| Tory Brooks-Hill | Vincent |  |  |

**ITEMS COVERED**

**Welcome**

* Land Acknowledgement.
* Introductions of all PAC Exec and QM Principal Elyssa Derban.
* Description of purpose of PAC.
* Looking for replacement PAC chair and PAC Co-chair, to ensure continuity of PAC institutional knowledge into next year since this is the last year at QM for current chair and co-chair.
* Description of voting process.
* Vote to approve agenda: Agenda approved. None against.
* Vote to approve minutes from last meeting (June 2024). (Available for reading online.). Minutes approved. None against.
* Michael Stephen volunteered to take notes for today’s meeting.

**Principal’s report: Elyssa**

* New speed zone on 16th Ave and 4th Ave. Communicating with City re traffic concerns. 40 km/hr signs in neighbourhood, west of Trimble to ~4th bus stop.
* City has plan to support re parking issues such as in front of Quadra Day Care. This has been a dangerous area. City says will soon put in concrete barriers to reduce vehicle traffic. Can still pick up and drop off but not parking in that area.
* Discussion re question of parking on Trimble.
* 6th and Trimble intersection is a safety topic also.
* Start-up assembly this coming Friday and other start up activities will occur soon, including Pro-D day, school assembly, Terry Fox Run, Orange Shirt Day, Oct 4th New Parent Meeting.
* Cross Country starting soon, Tues and Friday mornings hosted by Mr. Klassen. Ends on Oct 22 with final meet.
* Parent volunteers welcome.

**DPAC Report: Natalia**

* Sept 26 next meeting.
* DPAC chair has changed for this year.
* Michael expressed concern about how DPAC ran its meeting in May 2024.

**Treasurer Report: Raymond**

* Overview of financial balance and income including funds from PAC events last year.
* Will report amount for gaming grant this month.
* PAC Chair explains QM PAC has two accounts: gaming account and general account.

**PAC Reports**

**See PAC website for info and dates.**

Crossing Guard Program: Heidi

* Looking for volunteers to help make road safer for students.
* Will make a huge improvement for children safety.
* Please email Heidi to help on street or with online tasks.

Winter Fair: Ting & Laura

* Need to fill 4 small roles, or 1 person to do everything.
* Already have one person, need 2-3 more people.
  + E.g. Games, crafts
* Contact PAC
* Very fun.

Winter Growing Smiles Fundraiser: Raymond

* Plant sale online, with QM PAC receiving some of the funds.
* Annual event; key fundraiser.
* Approx Nov 20 date. Welcome feedback.
* Volunteers needed.

Screenagers movie screening: Tory

* Can screen this documentary for one year.
* K to Gr. 5 audience this year; last year was for older students.
* Provides advice for how to handle online safety and over-use of digital devices.

Spring Fair: Heidi

* Date set for Friday, June 6, 2025, towards end of school year.
* Big joyful event.
* Need help, especially for food coordination.
* Especially need an outdoor stage; please contact Heidi if you have access to one.

**Discussion of additional fun volunteer events: Robin**

* Volunteers needed for other activities
* Indoor movie nights
* Beach cleanup (Saturday after Halloween) ~ 20-30 people usually attend.
* Holiday sing-along (Before Winter break)
  + There will be a fee this year for the band as key staff Greg Weir has retired.
  + PAC Chair accepted Heidi’s offer to organize including investigating costs.
  + Goal: have vote on funding for next PAC meeting.
* Library Book fundraiser
  + Help librarian to set up registry with Kids Books, pick up order
  + PAC Chair accepts Melissa’s offer to do this.
* Read-a-thon fundraiser
* Purdy’s chocolate fundraiser
* Pink Shirt Day in February (Anti-bullying awareness & prevention)
  + PAC considering a new T-shirt design but also would consider other ideas rather than producing a custom shirt again.
* Multicultural Fair in February

PAC Chair ended meeting early at 8:17 pm.