

PAC meeting

Feb. 23, 2026

Meeting commenced at 6:39 p.m.

Events and Fundraisers

Reminder of Hot Lunch and Pizza Program and Treat Days!

Spring Dance is coming up on March 6 - \$10 ticket on Munchalunch.com. There will also be candy and treats for sale and Rock n' Beau will be performing!

We are also still looking for volunteers for the dance!

We are also looking to hold a Zumba Dance at the end of April or beginning of May, but we haven't committed to a date at this time. Mr. Jiwa is chatting with the teachers about it.

The Spring Fair is coming up on May 28! There will be bouncy castles and games, the White Spot food truck and Kona Ice! Look out for ticket and volunteer opportunities!

We did four fundraisers in the 2025 fall and winter semester and there is the potential for another fundraiser for the spring semester – maybe an art fundraiser or a course that can be offered to students.

Budget

Total planned expenditures for 2025 to 2026 is just under \$38,000.

Current account balance is \$88,040.55

We have previously gone over the fundraising totals in other meetings as well.

Amounts for future hot lunches still have to come out of the budget as well.

New Business

New jerseys – we are getting new jerseys for the school! The logo is still being decided and meetings are underway.

On May 31, Mr. Jiwa will send out a calendar for all the important dates for the new school year.

He also sends an email every Friday with upcoming important dates and things parents need to know.

This Wednesday is Pink Shirt Day!

This Friday is a provincial Pro-D Day!

PAC Meeting Dates:

April 21 at 7 p.m. via Teams

May 26 at 7 p.m. via Teams

June 16 at the school – last one of the year!

D-PAC update – last meeting held on Jan. 28.

Superintendent Update (Nadine Tabellini)

Budget consultation with the Ministry is happening in February, based on current enrolment numbers (including Kindergarten).

SD43 hosted a Middle School Conference on Jan 26 at Minnekhada Middle School to share best practices.

Naming process for the new Burke Mountain Secondary is finished. It will be called Burke Mountain Secondary.

SD43 is working on improving communication with parents and will be sending out a parent survey.

Directions 2030 Update

Going to Trustees on Feb 10

Final version to be shared at the next DPAC meeting (Feb 25)

Action plans: February–March

Final plan: April

Guest Presentation: Michael Harvey (BC Info & Privacy Commissioner)

Spoke about children's privacy rights

Highlighted concerns about how social media and targeted advertising can influence children and youth

Examples discussed: normalization of gambling, sexualized content, impulse buying, and impacts on insecurity/anxiety

Recommended book: The Anxious Generation (Jonathan Haidt)

Upcoming Special DPAC Meeting (with Jodie Wickens)

DPAC will host a stand-alone Zoom meeting with Hon. Jodie Wickens (Minister of Children and Family Development, Coquitlam-Burke Mountain)

Date: April 8 at 7:00 PM (Zoom)

Question submission form is open until March 11

More details to come in March

Next DPAC Meeting

Wednesday, Feb 25

Guest presenter: Ben King, SD43 Principal of Career Programs

Mr. Jiwa update

He has been here for three weeks and has met so many members of the community. The staff is lovely and hardworking and we are fortunate it is such a great school.

Things are busy, but good.

He is always open to feedback and conversations about anything, so feel free to come and talk to him about anything!

Following the Tumbler Ridge tragedy, staff had some discussions and information was sent out to parents and caregivers.

A water dispenser has been installed for students.

Technology is a little sparse in the school and Mr. Jiwa thinks the school could be better equipped.

Staff would love to have projectors mounted, rather than on the floor. This is something on Mr. Jiwa's list.

Once we get the mascot and logo figured out, we should have a school spirit wear order!

Mr. Jiwa would like to invest in a better speaker system that can be used and moved around the school.

We are one big community and everyone is welcome to contribute!

New business

PAC voted to e-transfer Mrs. Mymko \$1,000 after the sudden and devastating loss of her husband, Ryan. We hope that this money will help ease some of the financial strain during this devastating time.

Meeting adjourned at 8:11 p.m.