

**QUEEN ELIZABETH COMMUNITY SCHOOL
PARENT ADVISORY COUNCIL**



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Dear Parents/Guardians;



AGM – Wednesday June 28 at 6:30 p.m.

All 2023/2024 school year parents/guardians are invited

IN PERSON at the outdoor classroom at Queen Elizabeth Elementary

Elections to take place at this meeting as well as a site visit to the new bee hive location.

Every parent/guardian with a child enrolled at Queen Elizabeth Elementary School (QE) is automatically a member of the school's Parent Advisory Council (PAC). The role of the PAC is to provide advice to the school about matters of importance to parents. The PAC also provides financial support through fundraising activities and logistical support through volunteering at special events and activities. Much of the communication between the PAC and the school happens at the monthly scheduled PAC meetings.

For the 2023/2024 school year, PAC meeting dates and times will be determined at a future date once the new executive has been determined. Since Covid, the meetings have been taking place in an online format, which may continue to happen depending on member's availability. If meetings go back to in person, childcare will be an option so parents can attend the meetings. We will be updating this information closer to the start of the 2023/2024 school year.

Each year parents elect an Executive to carry out the business of the Parent Advisory Council.

- **President** - Sets agenda / manages PAC email / special projects
- **Vice-President** - Special committees and projects
- **Treasurer** - Complete gaming account application / book-keeping / cash to bank
- **Secretary** - Takes minutes and collects mail
- **DPAC member** - Attends DPAC meetings (3 hours every 3rd Monday of the month) and report up and back.
- **Members at large (not elected)** - Helps with anything PAC related - Pizza day, fundraisers, community events etc, opinions and ideas! No need to nominate for this - just come!

The Executive members for the 2023/2024 school year will be mostly vacant as many parents have aged out of QE and so we will need the extra support. For the 2022/2023 school year, the board was made up of the following:

- President/Chair – Tabitha Guichon (returning nominee)
- Vice President/Chair – Bernadette Gourlay (Not returning)
- Treasurer – Kaitlyn Richards (Not returning)
- Secretary – Carly Ballarin (Not returning – will remain a member at large)
- District PAC Rep – Susan Kenny (Not returning)
- Member's at Large – Happy Brar (will return as Vice President nominee)

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We are always looking to add to our volunteer pool, so please let us know if you want to be added to that list so that we can contact you when we need extra volunteers.

We currently have some amazing people that help with many of our fundraising opportunities, and would always love to have the extra help there.

Over the past couple of years have been a challenge and things have been quite different with the pandemic causing such a big change in how things could be done. We would love to start introducing things that were done in the past back into the school so that the kids have a chance to experience all the fun things that we may have all experienced as children as well. This could include things like the hot lunches, more activities, dances, movie nights, back to school BBQ's, etc...

Elections for the 2023/2024 school year will be held at our AGM on June 28th. Nominations will be accepted for ALL positions up until 6:30 p.m. that evening. If there is only 1 nominee per position that person will automatically assume that role.

Nomination forms are attached to this email and can be submitted to queeleizabethpag@gmail.com

If you are interested or have questions about serving on the PAC Executive, please email queenelizabethpac@gmail.com.

Join our QE PAC Facebook Page: www.facebook.com/groups/qepac

Please note – you MUST answer all questions in order to be accepted into the Facebook group.

Check out the BC PAC website: <https://bccpac.bc.ca/index.php/members/pac-dpac/what-is-a-pac>

Sincerely,

Tabitha Guichon
PAC President/Chair

The QE PAC acknowledges and thanks the Qayqayt First Nations, as well as all Coast Salish peoples, on whose traditional and unceded territories we live, we learn, we play and we do our work.