- 1. Members in Attendance: Terri Calvert (Chair), Lynda Hudon (Vice-Chair), Mabel Fung (Treasurer), Linda Stein (co-treasurer), Kristy McLeod (co-secretary), Leanna Sano (co-secretary), Neil Kamide (Principal), Ruca Abbott, Dionne McFie, Jacqueline Chang, Sue Hughes, Shannon Tilton, Lisa Chao, Mairi McNamara
- 2. Adoption of the Agenda: Kristy Linda
- **3. Adoption of the Minutes:** Mabel Lisa
- 4. Chair's Report:
  - **a.** Terri reviewed the purposes of McMath's PAC over the 2015/2016 school year, in relation to 4 key areas in the Constitutions & By- Laws. Our PAC:
    - Communicated with parents/guardians and promoted involvement of parents in the education of their children by providing an educational session with Danielle Aldcorn.
    - ii. Provided a forum for parents/guardians to develop an understanding and have input into the policies & practices that guide administration and teaching staff.
      Last meeting we were directly involved in the development of McMath's Wildcat Pride the new code of conduct.
    - iii. Promotes the development of positive family school and community relations. One way we have achieved this is with the Staff Appreciation lunches.
    - iv. Provides support for School-based initiatives and activities such as:
      - 1. scholarships, awards, trophies and funds for grad.
      - 2. the safe teen presentation.
      - 3. funds for a computer for the library
      - 4. funds for the math contest and leadership conference.
      - 5. funds for student council & intramurals
      - 6. funds for 8 clubs, groups, & teams

- 7. funds for the counseling department
- 8. funds for sports teams
- **b.** DAG update the DAG committee has made a deposit for entertainment, paid for the buses (approx. \$5500), purchased +/or received donations of gift bag items, ordered the red carpet items, purchased a lot of decorations, decided upon the food required, ordered grad t-shirts and put a deposit on security guards. They are hoping for more volunteers.

## 5. Principal's Report:

- **a.** Neil thanked the PAC for coming to the meetings all year, with a special thanks to the PAC executives.
- **b.** Grade 7 Day is tomorrow. The kids will have a better idea of what to expect from High School after the tour. We are expecting approximately 240 to 250 Grade 8 students.
- **c.** Awards Night is on June 9. It is difficult to select a few students to give the awards to when there are so many deserving kids.
- **d.** June 10 is the valedictory rehearsal.
- **e.** June 17 is the last day of classes. It will be a shortened 8 block day with 25 minute classes. The yearbooks will be given out at the beginning of that day.
- **f.** There have been recent funding cuts, and we have a 4 million dollar deficit. We may see bigger class sizes next year (>30 kids per class).
- **g.** There is a long wait list to come into our school.
- **h.** The School Planning Council is eliminated due to teachers not participating in it.
- i. There is a change in the structure to Provincial Exams.
- **j.** The school has changed to a new email system, using Outlook. We can expect a lot of technological changes next year.
- **k.** The Website is changing any thoughts or feedback on the current website is appreciated.

## 6. Finances and Funding:

**a.** The Wish List still has \$13,827 outstanding.

**b.** There was general discussion about the Digital Scoreboard. The PAC had talked about allocating some funds to the scoreboard at the November 2015 meeting, and was tabled to be brought up at the May 2016 meeting.

Dionne made a motion to take the leftover 2015/2016 Wish List money that has not been spent by June 30<sup>th</sup> (unless prior approval), and put it towards the purchase of a digital scoreboard. – Ruca 2<sup>nd</sup>. All in favour.

## 7. New Business:

- **a.** The Staff Appreciation Lunch is June 2. The theme is Games Day. It is always a challenge getting enough food. There are 8 student volunteers, and 6 parent volunteers.
- **b.** The Canadian Parents for French AGM will be held on May 30<sup>th</sup>, 7-8 PM, at the Blundell Menchies.
- **c.** Plan for the review of the Constitution and By-Laws for the 2016-2017 school year. Lynda has volunteered to look at the By-Laws and report back to the PAC in September.
- **d.** Cashless school the business assistant will come to another PAC meeting to discuss the new cashless system.
- **e.** Election of new members will be done at the next PAC meeting in September as per the PAC bylaws.

## 8. Meeting Adjourned 8:30.