

Dry After Grad Committee

January 12, 2026 (Meeting started at 7:05 pm)

Attendance:

| Parent Name | Team |
|-----------------|-------------------------|
| Akber Dhanjee | Lighting |
| Anna Reithmeier | Secretary |
| Celine Yeung | Food |
| Elizabeth Clark | Red carpet |
| Laura McBride | Fundraising |
| Leanne Miguel | Bag Check |
| Lisa Crocker | Decoration |
| Marian Eugenio | Food |
| Mary Irwin | Bag Drop-off & Check in |
| Maureen Gardner | Volunteer coordinator |
| Megan Shury | Bag Drop-off & Check in |
| Mike Thompson | Food |
| Raj Dhaliwal | Bag Drop-off & Check in |
| Silvia Balbuena | Bag Drop-off & Check in |
| Scott Gardner | Security/Host |
| Winson Leung | Chair |
| Lisa Crocker | Decoration |

Winson (DAG Chair):

- Welcome
- Use the sign in sheet to keep track of attendance
- Submitted the school rental form to the School District office (haven't heard back yet)
- **Action** (to be completed once entertainment offerings are confirmed): Fire Safety plan needs to be submitted to Fire Department
- Spoke to Aviva about using the kitchen: Access is limited (ex. Not using the oven for cooking). Could use Home Economics room.

- Tickets will be posted in School Cash Online for the Dinner and Dance and Dry Grad After Grad after the Winter Formal (ex. Late January)
 - Determine cost of ticket (2025 = \$115). DAG committee decision to keep event cost at \$115 for 2026.
 - **Action:** Confirm the amount for the Dinner and Dance
 - The school is still waiting to confirm the total amount with the vendor.

Secretary (Anna):

- The [2026 DAG Instagram account](#) will be used to post updates about meetings, planning and calls for volunteers
- Meeting minutes will be posted on [DAG McMath page](#)
- Will be working on communication for the event to be sent to families about the grad events
 - Waiting on confirmation of timing of events and costs
 - **Action:** Ask to send communication mid-February
 - Ms. Vaughan will help to coordinate the communication about the grad events

Bag Drop off and Check (Megan):

- Megan has contacted Marriott about donating rolling garment racks for dresses. Waiting for a reply.
- Bag drop off times: 2 options (during school and after school) – 3-4 hour sessions, parents or students dropped them off
- Bags are searched for substances

Food (Mike):

- Will be putting together a list to use for food vendors (to solicit donations for ready to eat options)
- Laura has a letter to share with businesses that the committee decides to contact

Fundraising (Laura):

- Has a letter to use for Dry After Grad donations
- Thinking about approaching Steveston businesses
- Sent a letter to Wong's Garden Centre about flower baskets for the red carpet
- Approach Aviva about sending a letter to families about making donations

No Treasurer present

No Entertainment committee present

Red Carpet (Elizabeth):

- Need to finalize the timing for the red carpet, which is determined by the bus arrivals. Buses are not yet confirmed.
- **Action:** Need to get answers for the following questions from the school admin:
 - Can students bring an extra pair of shoes? If so, how can they be brought on the bus? (ex. Use clear plastic bag)

- Response: Yes, they can bring a change of shoes in a bag. Bags are checked at the venue, so doesn't need to be clear plastic.
- Can students bring umbrellas on the bus?
 - Response: Yes, umbrellas are allowed, however, we should confirm this with the bus company if they have a policy about umbrellas.
- What time do students need to be at the dinner?
 - Response: Check in at the venue begins at 6:00 pm, so buses will need to leave by 6:00 pm. Arriving back at school between 11:15-11:30 pm.
- Suggestion: Students who want extra shoes can bring flip flops. Added to a bin that can be added to the bus.
- Typically, we need about 1.5 hours for the event:
 - 3:30 pm to 5:00 pm
 - Photo station 3:30 – 4:20 pm
 - Gym Assembly: 4:20-4:40 pm
 - Red Carpet: 4:40-5:00 pm
 - What time should they arrive at the venue?

No Transportation (Chris):

- Still waiting for confirmation on coaches to the Dinner and Dance venue, as FIFA is impacting bus availability
 - Update on January 14: TRAXX has confirmed the coaches for the DAG event.

Security (Scott):

- No updates at this time, as security is all confirmed.

Volunteer Coordination (Maureen):

- Will need committees to determine the number of volunteers by March
- Will send request to parents to sign up after Spring Break

Meeting adjourned: 7:55 pm

Next Meeting: Monday, February 9, 2026, 7:00 pm