



Virtual PAC Meeting Minutes May 11, 2022

Meeting convened at: 7pm

Participants: 11 attendees

1. **WELCOME:** Due to COVID-19 and social distancing measures, a PAC meeting was held online over Microsoft Teams
2. **INTRODUCTIONS**
 - a. PAC CHAIR -- Ms. Kelly Hambleton
 - b. TREASURER -- Ms. Tammy Ross (regrets)
 - c. SECRETARY -- Ms. Marlene Wu (regrets, minutes taken by Mr. Alaric Wang and Ms. Kelly Hambleton)
 - d. MEMBERS-AT-LARGE -- Ms. Cigdem Cinarogl (regrets), Ms. Eliza Ko (regrets), Ms. Karen Pezzuto, Mr. Alaric Wang
 - e. PRINCIPAL -- Ms. Annie Varghese
 - f. VICE PRINCIPALS -- Mr. Lee Banta (regrets), Ms. Rosalind Poon (regrets)
3. **BUSINESS MEETING:**
 - a. Adopt minutes from April 13, 2022 meeting
1st motion: Karen Pezzuto 2nd motion: Leanne Santha
 - b. Adopt agenda for May 11, 2022 meeting
1st motion: Karen Pezzuto 2nd motion: Leanne Santha
4. **PRESENTATION** - Student Council's SOGI
 - a. Talia and Autumn lead the SLSS Indigenous Language Club. Founded in 2021, the club seeks to help raise awareness of the indigenous culture. The club has hosted several sessions with students teaching them to make different indigenous items.
Their presentation also seeks to raise awareness of what it means to be Two Spirited. Talia and Autumn showed a video that explained what Two Spirited means. <https://youtu.be/A4lBibGzUnE>
 - b. Viaan, a former SLSS graduate and co-president of the Activism and Awareness Club, presented the significance of pronouns and SOGI (Sexual Orientation Gender Identity). Through her presentation, her main message was to promote a safe and caring space for everyone regardless of how they identify.
5. **PRINCIPAL'S REPORT** (Ms. Annie Varghese)
 - a. Bell structure will be largely what we had this year. It will be based on the current semester system. The 100 PLT minutes will continue on Wednesdays and Thursdays. The exact block rotation will be sent out before the end of the year.
 - b. The Spring Play (Curling up with the Classics) is being presented at the school. Congratulations to Ms. Kozar and the Students. The reviews have been excellent!
 - c. Dates to remember. The Spring Concert is June 2nd, Awards Night is June 9th, Commencement Ceremony is June 18th and the Last Day of School is June 24th.
 - d. Sharkfest will be held on June 28th along with yearbook distribution.
6. **TREASURER'S REPORT** (Ms. Kelly Hambleton)
 - a. Gaming grant for next year has been applied for.
7. **NEW BUSINESS:**
 - a. Call for nominations for PAC positions for next school year. A flyer will be sent out asking parents for nominations for positions with PAC for the 2022-2023 school year.
 - b. Kelly Hambleton spoke about the elimination of the Career Information Advisor Positions at the secondary schools in Richmond. Kelly was in touch with Sandra Nixon, trustee for SLSS and Ms. Nixon confirmed that one of the staffing reductions being proposed by staff in order to balance the school district budget for next year is to eliminate the 5 (full-time equivalent) school-based career advisor positions and add two district-based advisors instead, who would provide info and support to schools. Parents can contact the school board at sd38budgetfeedback@sd38.bc.ca if they have concerns about this decision before May 20th.

8. RICHMOND DISTRICT PARENTS ASSOCIATION REPORT (position open)

- a. Volunteer needed for 2022-2023 school year.
- b. The district PAC is hosting Zoom meetings that are accessible to the public. Follow them on Facebook for more information about what's going on at the district level.

9. DRY AFTER GRAD (DAG) (Ms. Leanne Santha)

- a. Volunteers needed for DAG. An email will be sent asking for parents to sign up for shifts.
- b. Date for the Grad Dinner/Dance has been set for Saturday, June 11, 2022 at Tsawwassen Springs.
Traditionally, DAG (Dry After Grad) follows the dinner dance in the late evening into the early morning at the school. This drug/alcohol free and safe event is coordinated by parents for the students.
- c. Questions, comments, or to volunteer contact Leanne Santha, DAG co-chair: slssdag2022@gmail.com

Meeting adjourned at: 7:52pm

For more information on PAC or if you should have questions for the PAC, please contact:
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NEXT PAC MEETING: Wednesday June 15, 2022