



## Virtual PAC Meeting Minutes: Wednesday April 13, 2022

- **Meeting convened at:** 7:02pm
- **Participants:** 16 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
  - c. SECRETARY -- Ms. Marlene Wu
  - d. MEMBERS-AT-LARGE -- Ms. Cigdem Cinarogl (regrets), Ms. Eliza Ko, 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 March 9, 2022 meeting
    - 1st motion: Tammy Ross*      *2nd motion: Karen Pezzuto*
  - b. Adopt agenda for April 13, 2022 meeting
    - 1st motion: Karen Pezzuto*      *2nd motion: Tammy Ross*
- 4. **PRINCIPAL'S REPORT** (Ms. Annie Varghese)
  - a. Quick Summary from Secondary Structure Survey:
    - District data:
      - Responses received from: 3500 students, 2445 parent
        - a. Support semester model: 62% students, 60% parents
        - b. Indicated PLT beneficial to learning: 85% students, 50% parents
    - SLSS data:
      - Responses received from: 488 students, 414 parents, 54 staff
        - a. Support semester model: 62% students, 61% parents, 81% staff
        - b. Indicated PLT beneficial to learning: 87% students, 43% parents
        - c. PLT engagement: 94% students rated their level of engagement  $\geq 3$  (out of 5 = fully engaged); 81% staff stated students were always, mostly or sometimes actively engaged; 83% students said PLT at start of day is optimal
        - d. What students are doing during PLT: 63% completing assignments, 60% reviewing & studying course material, 42% accessing support, 34% collaborating with other students, 23% staying at home, 19% managing physical and mental health
      - Next steps?
        - a. end of April/early May: decide on the structures for next year to relay back to the district
        - b. through May connections class, get feedback from students re: structures that can be put in that's beneficial to their learning and increase engagement during PLT
      - Full summary data is posted on SLSS website
  - b. Grad/DAG events
    - Ms. Leanne Santha and DAG have been working hard on organizing dry grad
    - school is excited and working hard to get the grad events/activities going. As long as circumstances don't change, been given the go-ahead for in-person events: commencement, dinner/dance, dry grad
    - working with grad committee to plan a first-ever "Red Carpet" walk-in gala reception before grad dinner & dance (around 4pm); will need non-Gr.12 parents to help set-up; open to all family & friends to come and watch
  - c. Upcoming dates to keep in mind:
    - April 21: mid-term report cards will be posted

- April 22 (Earth Day): Social responsibility day for Gr. 8 on Land Acknowledgements and Logging & Sustainability
- April 27-28: parent-teacher conferences (will continue to be virtual via Zoom or MS Teams, or phone call); sign-up via online booking system (like 1st semester)
- April 27-28: Grad assessments – GNA (Gr.10) and GLA (Gr.12)
- May 4: Info session on Mental Health & Wellness for Adolescents via Zoom by Richmond School District
- June 24: last day of regular classes
- June 27 & 28: learning completion days
- June 28: Sharkfest (year-end celebration where students get their yearbooks, carnival-type games, PAC serves hot dogs, etc.)

**5. TREASURER'S REPORT:** (*Ms. Tammy Ross*)

- a. will be handing everything over to Eliza, who will be taking on the Treasurer's role next year (this will be Tammy's last year)
- b. will show Eliza how to apply for the gaming grant, how to report it, setting the budget, cheque-writing

**6. NEW BUSINESS:**

- a. Sharkfest
  - PAC to organize parent volunteers to help cook and serve hot dogs for students & staff (call-out will go out May/June sometime)
  - look at also providing bottled water this time as last Sharkfest was a very hot day
  - also look into buying a propane burner and large stock pot to cook hot dogs; for PAC to have for future Sharkfests (as previous years it has been borrowed from a past-SLSS parent)
- b. PAC elections in June
  - open to anyone interested in being part of the PAC committee
  - call for nominations will occur in May, elections will occur in June
- c. PAC meeting will not be on June 8 as scheduled since there's a conflict with Awards Ceremony that is happening the same evening; decide to move June's PAC meeting to June 15 instead (June 1st might be too early)

**7. RICHMOND DISTRICT PARENTS ASSOCIATION REPORT** (*position open*)

- a. Currently, no meetings taking place right now but will continue to check-in regularly for any updates
- b. Volunteer needed to represent our PAC. 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.

**8. DRY AFTER GRAD (DAG)** (*Ms. Leanne Santha*)

- a. had the first in-person last Wed; very productive meeting: food, decorations, etc. being worked out
- b. there will be a call for volunteers for set-up Fri and Sat nights, and also Sat night into Sun (asking especially for non-Gr.12 parents; so Gr.12 parents can enjoy the day with their grads)
- c. May 7 fundraiser: Car-wash/bottle drive/Krispy Kreme donut sale
- d. Date for the Grad Dinner/Dance has been tentatively 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.
- e. questions, comments, or to volunteer contact Leanne Santha, DAG co-chair: [slssdag2022@gmail.com](mailto:slssdag2022@gmail.com)

For more information on PAC or if you should have questions for the PAC, please contact: [pacslss38@gmail.com](mailto:pacslss38@gmail.com)

**NEXT PAC MEETING:** Wednesday May 11, 2022

**Meeting adjourned at:** 7:36pm