



PAC Meeting Minutes: Wednesday September 14, 2022

- **Meeting convened at:** 7:03pm
- **Participants:** 37 attendees
- 1. **WELCOME:** held at SLSS Library
- 2. **INTRODUCTIONS**
 - a. PAC CHAIR -- Ms. Karen Pezzuto
 - b. Past PAC CHAIR -- Ms. Kelly Hambleton
 - c. TREASURER -- Ms. Eliza Ko
 - d. SECRETARY -- Ms. Marlene Wu
 - e. DPAC REPRESENTATIVE - Mr. Volker Helmuth
 - f. MEMBERS-AT-LARGE -- Ms. Cigdem Cinaroglu, Ms. Dora Groumoutis, Mr. Alaric Wang
 - g. PRINCIPAL -- Ms. Annie Varghese
 - h. VICE PRINCIPALS -- Mr. Lee Banta (regrets), Ms. Bronwyn Fackler
- 3. **BUSINESS MEETING:** (*Ms. Karen Pezzuto*)
 - a. Adopt minutes from June 15, 2022 meeting
 - 1st motion: Kelly Hambleton 2nd motion: Volker Helmuth*
 - b. Adopt agenda for September 14, 2022 meeting
 - 1st motion: Volker Helmuth 2nd motion: Dora Groumoutis*
- 4. **PRINCIPAL'S REPORT** (*Ms. Annie Varghese, Ms. Bronwyn Fackler*)
 - a. Introduce new vice principal: Ms. Bronwyn Fackler, from MacNeil (Ms. Poon moved to Hugh Boyd)
 - b. currently 1125 students (larger than last year – exciting to see SLSS growing)
 - c. Counsellors:
 - Ms. Ratcliffe (new to SLSS): Students last names starting with A and international students
 - Ms. Lau: last names B-H
 - Ms. Zee: last names I-Q
 - Ms. Sahota: last names R-Z
 - d. Upcoming dates:
 - September 19: photo day postponed due to holiday (National day of mourning for Queen Elizabeth II)
 - September 22: Grade 8 parent info session (email to come with details)
 - September 22: Meet-the-teacher evening (in-person once again) 7-8pm, in 10min blocks. Students will fill out their schedules and given to parents to follow that evening (students helpers and map provided that evening for parents)
 - October 25: photo retake day
 - Grade 8 camp (September 15-16): this year is a hybrid model; will include outdoor field trip to Wildplay (Maple Ridge) on September 15th and in-house activities (ice breaker games, what it means to be a "Shark") on September 16th
 - e. School bell/block schedule same as last year (with PLT), school calendar of events is updated on SLSS website
 - f. Parents interested in helping out with any SLSS sports throughout the year (as coach, supervisor) –please contact school admin, who will get you connected with the Athletic Director
 - currently looking for parent volunteer for Girls Jr. Volleyball
- 5. **TREASURER'S REPORT:** (*Ms. Eliza Ko*)
 - a. This is Eliza's first year; Tammy Ross (past Treasurer) will hand-over cheque book to Eliza
 - b. Have some PAC scholarships cheques to clear still
 - c. Have moved financial institution from Coast Capital to RBC
- 6. **RICHMOND DISTRICT PARENTS ASSOCIATION REPORT** (*Mr. Volker Helmuth*)
 - a. No new updates
 - b. Can follow them on Facebook for more information about what's going on at the district level. Guests are welcome.

7. NEW BUSINESS:

- a. Nomination: Ms. Shirley Lim as co-secretary (expressed interest last summer when school ended)
 - no objections received – Shirley Lim voted-in as co-secretary to join this year's PAC committee
- b. Topic ideas for this school year
 - open to ideas, please email PAC with suggestions
 - past topics/speakers: Connie Easton on mental health, grad assessments, career life, Danny Taylor from Richmond Addiction Services, social media, Constable Eric Chan
 - next month's guest speaker lined-up: Ms. Jackie Digeso, SLSS Career Advisor for Gr. 10-12
- c. Mode of meetings: In-person vs. virtual?
 - pros & cons with both: in-person connections vs. accessibility
 - conclusion: will decide on a month-to-month/meeting-to-meeting basis
- d. World Teacher Day
 - allow to host an in-person Staff Appreciation Breakfast once again since COVID
 - Parent volunteers will be needed to contribute food and to help set-up, serve, and clean-up
 - PAC to organize event –look for email to come out soon with details
- e. **DRY AFTER GRAD (DAG)** (*Ms. Leanne Santha*)
 - last year's theme: Camp Sharkwood –was a huge success
 - requires 30-40 parents volunteers to organize & run DAG

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

NEXT PAC MEETING: Wednesday October 12, 2022

Meeting adjourned at: 7:44pm