



PAC Meeting Minutes: Wednesday, October 9, 2024

Meeting convened at: 7:00pm

Participants: 10 in person

1. **WELCOME:** held in person in the SLSS Library and on Teams
2. **INTRODUCTIONS:**
 - a. PAC CHAIR – Mr. Alaric Wang
 - b. PAC VICE CHAIR – Ms. Kelly Hambleton
 - c. CO-SECRETARIES – Ms. Marlene Wu (regrets), Ms. Rowena Taylor
 - d. CO-TREASURERS – Ms. Shelina Bindra, Ms. Anna Yip
 - e. DPAC REPRESENTATIVE – Ms. Leslie Martinez
 - f. MEMBERS-AT-LARGE – Ms. Dora Groumoutis, Ms. Valeriia Kravchenko, Ms. Daisy Wang
 - g. PRINCIPAL – Ms. Annie Varghese
 - h. VICE PRINCIPALS – Mr. Nik Nashlund (regrets), Ms. Bronwyn Fackler (regrets)
3. **PRESENTATION:** Careers Info (*Ms. Jacquie Digesco*)
(Streamed in the library and virtual)
4. **BUSINESS MEETING:** (*Mr. Alaric Wang*)
 - a. Adopt minutes from September 18, 2024 meeting
 - a. 1st motion: Ms. Kelly Hambleton
 - b. 2nd motion: Ms. Shelina Bindra
 - b. Adopt agenda for October 9, 2024 meeting
 - a. 1st motion: Ms. Dora Groumoutis
 - b. 2nd motion: Ms. Kelly Hambleton
5. **PRINCIPAL'S REPORT** (*Ms. Annie Varghese*)
 - a. An Open House event is planned for next week to re-open the revamped library space
 - b. Interm Reports: October 17, 2024
 - c. Halloween Dance: October 29, 2024
 - d. Student population numbers are stable at 1207/1208 students
 - e. Five SLSS students are invited to speak at the October 23rd Board Meeting at 7:00pm to speak about the topic of equity (i.e. What is equity? What does the word equity mean to students? How are the students creating a sense of belonging at school?).

- f. Ms. Varghese is trying to invite presenters to the school. She has asked for staff input. Ms. Varghese will reach out to Family Start Peer Support Workers. The district will offer sessions on the new policies around Personal Devices.

- 6. **TREASURER'S REPORT:** *(Ms. Shelina Bindra, Ms. Anna Yip)*
 - a. We have been awarded a gaming grant of \$24, 340
 - b. Our current balance is \$27, 412
 - c. We will be open to teacher requests by the end of October. We will use similar deadlines as last year. These deadlines will be communicated to the staff and reminders will be sent.

- 7. **RICHMOND DISTRICT PARENTS ASSOCIATION REPORT** *(Ms. Leslie Martinez)*
 - a. As of October 1st, there is a new president.
 - b. PAC 101 Training Session is November 5th. Please see Alaric's email.
 - c. Students are invited to apply for a \$1000 bursary as SLSS is a member of the BCCPAC.
 - d. An online Food Safe course will be offered to one member of our PAC. It is valid for five years. If you are interested, speak to Alaric or Leslie.

- 8. **NEW BUSINESS** *(Mr. Alaric Wang)*
 - a. World Teachers' Day breakfast update
 - a. The breakfast was well attended and appreciated by the staff.
 - b. Thank you to all volunteer helpers and donors.
 - b. Breakfast with Santa (December) – next event to be discussed in November

For more information on PAC or if you should have questions for the PAC, please contact:
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NEXT PAC MEETING: November 13, 2024

Meeting adjourned at: 7:35pm