

PAC MEETING MINUTES

Sept 20, 2022

This meeting was held Online (using Google Meet)

- 1. Welcome/Call to Order
 - a. 7pm
 - b. Land Acknowledgement
 - c. 62 in attendance
- 2. PAC Email list signup link:

https://surreyschools.us6.list-manage.com/subscribe?u=347d1a1dde9d97a29536172d7&id=f85b29883e

- 3. Approval of Agenda
 - a. Approved by majority
- 4. Approval of Minutes of Last Meeting May 16, 2022
 - a. Approved by Majority
- 5. Principal's Report
 - a. Highlights
 - Student enrollment
 - 1536 students projected by District for Sept 6, 2022
 - 1551 as of today and growing (school 1500 capacity)
 - Grade 8 344
 - Grade 9 366
 - o Grade 10 345
 - o Grade 11 276
 - o Grade 12 220
 - Elementary feeder schools: Morgan, Pacific Heights, Rosemary Heights, Sunny Side, & Edgewood
 - We are very tight on space as we continue to grow

- Portables have been requested will be needed for Sept 2023 1600 to 1700 estimated students
- 33 new teachers hired

b. What to expect from us:

- My beliefs as Principal and shared with the admin team
- Grandview Heights is a place "where everyone is someone". It is our job to ensure that each student is known, valued, and cared for.
- We value equity and inclusiveness
- Our purpose is to provide an inspirational, innovative, and modern environment, where learning is student centred, inclusive, and social.
- Our student's learning is our priority and it is rooted in inquiry, curiosity, relevancy, and is collaborative by nature.
- As admin we are here to lead and service our staff. It's our job to ensure that teachers have what they need, so they can be the best for their students.

c. Grizzlies Vision

- As Grizzlies we come to Grandview Heights seeking safe and respectful connections to our land, community, and one another. We value KINDNESS, CURIOSITY, RESILIENCE, and PERSONAL GROWTH."
- Grandview Heights Secondary is a learning community where everybody is somebody, and every student at our school is known, valued, and cared for.

d. Innovative learning environment

- Student centered
- Equitable of all learning needs
- Flexible in use for both teachers and students—sitting, lounging, standing
- Moveable for individual and group work
- Comfortable
- Include surfaces and designs for students to explore and record learning
- Allow for ease of collaboration and inquiry
- Inclusive of student physical and emotional needs
- Combination of soft and hard seating options
- Neutral colours that fit in with school tones
- Easy to fold or store away if needed

e. School Highlights

- Smooth school start up- including adding over 30 new students, due to the staff efficiency students were in class learning by the 3rd day of school
- Last year there was only 2 bells, 10 bells are added so kids know exactly where to be at all times
- Special welcome to our new grade 8 Grizzlies
- Welcome back grade 12s who will be our first ever grad class of GH
- Running AP Statistics 12 and AP Calculus 12 for this year, looking at adding each year
- 500K to purchase additional furniture, technology and learning resources
- Pilot project bring your own devices for learning
- Fall Athletics: Gr8, Jr 9-10, Sr girls and boys volleyball teams, Gr8-10 and Sr
- boys soccer teams new this year, cross country and aquatics teams running.
- Each school club is sponsored by a teacher
- Over 30 different school clubs running- see website

f. Important Calendar Dates - <u>VIEW SCHOOL CALENDAR HERE</u>

- i. Sept 22 Grade 8 retreat day
- ii. Sept 26th Non instructional day -School Closed
- iii. Sept 28th Terry Fox run
- iv. Sept 29th Orange shirt day
- v. Sept 30th Truth and Reconciliation Day-school closed
- vi. Oct 3 Gr 12 scholarship info session
- vii. Oct 5th Gr 12 scholarship parent info night 7pm via zoom
- viii. Oct 8th Interim marks reporting to parents
- ix. Oct 12th interim learning reports
- x. Oct 13th Photo retake day
- xi. Oct 17th 6pm School tour and PAC meeting 7pm at Grandview
- xii. Oct 20th P/T interviews

g. Questions for Mr. Bedard or the School?

- Please stay in touch via (Grizzly APP, Website, Twitter, Instagram, Email, Phone calls)
- Contact principal, Darren Bedard by email with any individual questions/concerns <u>bedard_d@surreyschools.ca</u>







h. Q&A with Mr. Bedard

When are the graduation dates?

Commencement and grad dinner/dance - will be on the calendar

Is the bus schedule the same as last year?

Transport and the district makes the bus schedule

Where is the extra lunch seating?

 There are classrooms, breakout spaces - everyday there is lots of extra spaces, kids need to walk around and try to find a space, in person PAC meeting and tour will showcase this

Grad council - what are they doing?

 6 - 8 teacher sponsoring grad council, scheduled to meet in the next week or so, winter formal dance with 11 and 12. End of Oct/beg of Nov there will be an assembly to talk about grad, email will be sent to the parents

What is the courtesy bus?

• If there is room you can apply if you live within 4.8 kms - called a courtesy ride for approx \$300 per year only if there are spots available, Contact Karen Ponuick at the school to inquire.

Lunch line up at the cafeteria seems quite long.

Will there be a solution to that?

 I am working with Canyol the food company to add more touch and debit machines to speed up the lines. They will always be a bit long as we add more kids so I would encourage kids to bring their own lunch if the lines are too long

Vaping in the bathrooms seems to be an issue, how is that being handled?

 We are consistently monitoring the washrooms to ensure there's no vaping. We have also put up signs and have told all students during assemblies that there is to be no smoking of any kind on school property. If students see vaping in the building they can always report it anonymously through the office

6. Executive Reports

- a. President (Anjie)
 - Grads Welcome
 - PAC Priorities PAC decided that communication is important, some key priorities - traffic safety, fundraising to support events, student and family education, vaping, gang, money and finance
 - Budget requests review by PAC
 - Reach out to Anjie anytime: grandviewheightspac@gmail.com
- b. Vice President (Brooke)
 - 1ST Donut Day fundraiser on friday, sold out, was a great success
 - Thank you to our volunteers and to Lakbir for purchasing the reader
 - New Square reader for Tap pay
 - Also available for school and clubs to use, there will be a small fee associate
 - Next donut day list the dates Nov 4th, Feb 10th and Apr 14th,, if you can volunteer please reach out to email grandviewheightspac@gmail.com
- c. Secretary (Chandra)
 - Google Meet to replace Zoom Zoom will not allow enough users
 - Email subscribers:709
 - Facebook: 218 members
 - **Email subscribe:** PAC Email list signup link: https://surreyschools.us6.list-manage.com/subscribe?u=347d1a1 dde9d97a29536172d7&id=f85b29883e
 - Facebook: https://www.facebook.com/groups/359856008831010
- d. Secretary (Janeen Chandra reported while Janeen took minutes)
 - PAC Exec met with Mr. Bedard and Head Secretary Karen at the school June 21st, update went out to parents
 - PAC Exec will meet to review Budget Requests Oct 12th
 - Next General Meeting Oct 17th, in person at school

- PAC hosting 6pm refreshments & school tour by the leadership students
- 7pm meeting in theatre
- e. DPAC (Stephanie absent, reported by Anjie)
 - First DPAC meeting Sept 28 in person/Zoom hybrid
 - Parents interested in attending: https://surreydpac.ca/dpac-meetings/
- f. Treasurer (Bita absent, reported by Chandra)
 - Gaming account summary from last year
 - Total funds received from local schools \$16,680.00
 - Total gaming funds disbursement \$4822.13
 - Total account balance \$11,857.87

Account Details					
For Period Sep 1,2022 to Sep 11, 2022)					
Gaming Account					
Opening Balance (Sep 01, 2022)		\$11,857.87			
Incoming Funds					
Outgoing Funds					
Pending Transactions					
Cash Flow					
Closing Balance (Sep 11,2022)	\$1	11,857.87			
Gaming Account Balance		\$11,857.87			
Community Account					
Opening Balance (Sep 01, 2022)		\$4,578.64			
Incoming Funds	\$961.00				
Outgoing Funds					
Pending Transactions					
Cash Flow					
Closing Balance (Sep 11,2022)	\$5	5,539.64			
Community Account Balance		\$5,539.64			
TOTAL GHS PAC FUNDS AVAILABLE (at September 11,2022)		\$17,397.51			
		Prepared by: B.Jamalpour			

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Fundraiser No.1 Sep. 2022				
	No. orders	No. boxes	Revenue by Sep 11,2022	note
Pre-order	64	80	\$961.00	One parent paid \$13
Total	64	80	\$961.00	

7. Gaming Grant Update (Chandra)

- a. Our application was submitted on May 30th
- b. We will be notified of Gaming Grant by September 30th
- c. Grant will be \$20 per student based on 2022 enrollment #, approx \$22,000 that we will receive this fall

8. New Business (Anjie)

- a. Budget Requests
 - Sept 12 school sent letter to teachers and faculty to apply applications due Oct 3
 - Budget requests can be for uniforms, field trips, equipment and more
 - Requests must meet gaming fund conditions
 - Last year we received \$8k in requests, all approved
 - PAC Exec will review requests and determine recommended distribution
 - PAC will vote to approve Oct 17th meeting
 - Gaming Grant Usage Guideline: https://www2.gov.bc.ca/assets/gov/sports-recreation-arts-and-culture/gambling/grants/guide-pac.pdf
- b. Scholarship update (Brooke)
 - Annual PAC Scholarship Charlene Egitto She creates a website with all the info for applying for scholarships
 - New yearly PAC scholarship, PAC will decide what criteria and how much for the scholarship

- Call out to parents and business, yearly there is up to 100k given to grade 12, because the school is new the funds are minimal for the funds
- Oct 5th guests Grant Me will be presented on how to apply
- Visit https://egittoc.wixsite.com/scholarships
- c. Traffic update (Su traffic safety lead)
 - Many concerns of kids crossing in front of cars
 - Su has been monitoring
 - Since Sept 1, lots of cars entering in the wrong entrance, pls using the north west entrance
 - If you use the loop, you will get your kids closer to the school faster
 - Pickup time is most dangerous when the kids come out and cars are turning left
 - Pls use the loop and the north west entrance and leave the bus entrance and exit clear for the buses
 - Stay off your phone and don't be distracted while driving, kids are crossing everywhere, slow down
 - Working with SSD and the Ministry of Transport to put in a left turn from 24th to 168th as well as a longer turn signal 25th to 168th.
 Parents can go to the My Surrey App to request the signals as it does benefit the community
 - Su is looking for volunteers, any help would be greatly appreciated, email <u>grandviewheightspac@gmail.com</u> to volunteer

9. Reminders

- a. PSST is a website specifically for Surrey students and parents to learn about and report safety concerns:
 - Bullying
 - Drugs
 - Self-harm
 - online safety
 - Discrimination
 - Gangs
 - Visit https://www.psst-bc.ca/
- b. Student Health and Wellness
 - Resources and self-check tools for:

- anxiety, stress, mood, body image and other mental health, tough topics, like suicide, substance use
- student life including money management, sleep, sexual wellness, online safety, and more
- Share this link with your student: https://foundrybc.ca/

c. PAC Donations

- Donations support school clubs, equipment, events, programs, families and more.
- Send e-transfer to <u>grandviewheightspac@gmail.com</u> (Auto deposit is set-up, no password required)
- Make cheque payable to Grandview Heights PAC (send with your child to school/have them drop it off at the school office)

d. School App

- Go to App store on your Android or iPhone device
- Search "Grandview Heights Secondary"
- See daily block rotation, servery menu, report an absence and more
- e. Would you like to volunteer to help PAC?
 - All parents and guardians welcome
 - No commitment to be Member at Large (MAL)
 - We email all MAL's when we need help
 - If you can help, great! If not, maybe next time.
 - Email <u>grandviewheightspac@gmail.com</u> and let us know you want to be a MAL

10. Next Meeting is Monday October 17th at Grandview Heights

6pm School Tour 7pm PAC meeting in the theatre

11. Adjournment at 7:56pm