



Sullivan Heights Secondary – PAC

(Parent Advisory Council)

6248-144 Street

Surrey, B.C. V3X 1A1

Parent Advisory Committee (PAC) Meeting Minutes

Monday February 27, 2023

7 pm - Via Zoom / Virtual & In Person

INTRODUCTIONS & WELCOME

PAC Executive:

Darrin Winning - PAC President president@sullivanstarspac.ca

Avinash Maniram - Treasurer treasurer@sullivanstarspac.ca - Via Zoom

Tanya Snow - Secretary secretary@sullivanstarspac.ca

VP - this position is vacant - please submit nominations to secretary@sullivanstarspac.ca

Parents:

2 additional parents in attendance on line & 7 additional parents attending in person at the school- Meeting recorded.

Staff:

David Baldasso - Principal

Special Guest - Ruth Chen - School Counsellor

SPECIAL GUEST REPORT

Ms. Chen is requesting some additional funding towards the “Safe Teen” Program, they are grateful for the \$2K already provided to this program.

The Safe Teen program is offered to Grade 9 Students who are divided into groups of 30, by the gender they identify with, to meet with trained “Safe Teen” Facilitators - they need 12 Safe Teen classes this year.

Topics for the youth include:

- Understanding and responding to bullying / harassment / healthy relationships / dealing with / cyber bullying / self protection/ knowing boundaries and respectfully dealing with conflict

The School team reports that there have been some challenges with the Grade 9 class this year, and due to Covid, some of these important life skills would be very valuable to the students at the school this year.



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PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

- Please see the attached Principal's report for February 2023.
- Important Dates:
 - This week - communicating student learning - parents should hear from teachers this week.
 - March 9 is the date of this event, more info to come, please watch for the daily announcements.
 - School Closure for spring break March 13 - 24
 - Two big diversity initiatives - Pink Shirt Day & Sulli's Pledge hanging in the hub. Focus currently on Black History month
 - Course Selection - currently ongoing, portal is open until Friday and there is a career fair happening this week
 - Career Life Education has now been moved to Grade 11 instead of 10; grade 10 is a very challenging year and there are limited electives; starting in the 2023-24 year.
- Highlights
 - two pancake breakfasts so far - kids love it!
 - Surrey Jazz Fest
 - Snowball Dance came back for Grade 8 & 9's
 - Guest speaker came in to talk about Mental Health for Grade 8's & 9's

TREASURER REPORT

The PAC has 3 sources of Revenues that we are responsible for:

1. Community Gaming Funds: Funded each year based on the head count; generally around \$20/head, we received \$47K this year from the Community Gaming Funds, but received over 64K worth of requests, so a committee was struck and had to make some difficult decisions on how the money would be disbursed. Current gaming balance: \$39,562
2. PAC (Legacy in trust at District): Legacy funds held at the district - we draw down on these funds as required for special requests, once these funds are gone, the account will close. This account may be used for special requests that are not allowed to be used by gaming funds. Current Balance: \$4450



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3. Sullivan PAC: Funded generally from parent contributions - we send out a request annually for a \$20 donation from parents to add to the pool of resources. Current balance: \$4548
4. Dry Grad Account: Has approx \$9716 to start for this year solely for Dry Grad activities.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

DRY GRAD - VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

We are progressing forward on the Dry Grad Party for the 2023 graduates. There will be meetings held regularly with Grade 11 & 12 parents to keep everyone updated.

A 2023 Dry Grad parent page is on the PAC facebook page and other social media will be considered. All grade 12 students and parents can join this page.

DPAC - at the District Level - VOLUNTEERS NEEDED! We are looking for volunteers to attend DPAC meeting - no report. For More Info: www.Surreydpac.ca

NEW BUSINESS:

1. A new PAC Executive is Needed
 - a. A request for nominations for all PAC positions is on the parents Facebook page - the existing council will support the incoming council members during the upcoming year. All positions are available, a VP can join now and shadow the President and then the president can stay on as past president for an additional year as needed. We need a full executive to ensure we get our gaming funds.
2. Dry Grad Bank Account - Due to some challenges with communication and ensuring fiscal accountability, the Dry Grad will now be a sub committee of the Parent Advisory Committee, and will need to update the signing authorities.

MOTION #1 :

Motion #1/ To create a sub account of the PAC committee bank accounts exclusively for the Dry Grad Committee.

Seconded - Kristy

All present in person and on line in favour and motion carried.



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MOTION #2:

M/ To remove Rick Bayer removed from the PAC account

S/ Mirella

All in favour and motion was carried.

3. Additional Funding Requests for Gaming Funds:

a. Ms. Chen presented earlier on a request for additional funds for the Safe Teen Program.

b. A second teacher had submitted two requests earlier in the year, but they did not get attached to the funding committee

i. The Request was for a total of \$2000:

1. Global Issues - \$500

2. Writing Contest - \$1500

MOTION #3:

Move: To further fund the Safe Teen Program an additional \$2000 from Gaming Funds for 2023-23.

Seconded: Kristy

All present and on line were in favour and the motion was carried.

MOTION #4:

Move: To fund the Global Issues club with \$500 from Gaming and the Writing Contest \$750 from the Parent Contribution PAC

Seconded: Mirella

All present and on line were in favour and the motion was carried.

OPEN QUESTIONS TO PRINCIPAL:

Q. No additional questions to the principal.

Meeting Adjourned @ 7:50pm.

Upcoming meetings for the Year: (VIA ZOOM & IN PERSON @ Sullivan Heights Secondary School in the Library at 7pm):

April 24, 2023 - in person in the Library and via Zoom at 7pm

Following TBD