

TAMANAWIS SECONDARY SCHOOL

Caring Community, Engaged Learners, Inspired Citizens

PAC Meeting Minutes

Thursday February 8, 2024

Meeting called to order @ 6:33 PM 14 in attendance, including Parents, Students, Staff and PAC Executive

PAC Executive

- Roman St. Germain Chair
- Mandy Waggett Co-Chair
- Rina Sidhu Treasurer
- Dana Papais Secretary
- Ollie Omogbai Secretary

Staff

• James Johnston – Principal

1. Approval of Agenda

- Motion to accept by Shante, Seconded by Monika
- Motion carried, Agenda approved

2. Approval of PAC Meeting Minutes for January 11th, 2024

- Motion to accept by Mandy, Seconded by Shante
- Motion carried, Minutes approved
- 3. Chair's Report (Roman St. Germain)
 - Asking Safe Schools, Jaclyn to return again for another presentation.
 - Rina Diaz taken leave of absence as DPAC representative due to difficult interactions. Anne Whitemore will step in as new DPAC Rep.
 - No Guest speaker tonight.
 - PAC constitution and bylaws, we have 3 amendments to the constitution to vote on tonight. There have been concerns regarding constitutions throughout school district.
 - We considered bringing in someone to discuss SOGI, but after discussion with administration, we will no longer go ahead with this

4. Principal's Report (James Johnston)

• Good to see announcement from government about cellphone use within schools. Cellphone motels, a third of staff are using this method so far, encouraging more

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discussion between teachers to use.

- Dealing with issues regarding washroom usage. Boys' bathroom in particular on the South side, locking the door intermittently to prevent long visits.
- "Significant 72', the first 72 seconds, minutes, days to get to know students.
- Working to create better spaces for students to gather.
- February is Black History Month- All students identify, most teachers don't. Good conversations about traditions and views within families.
- Tamanawis Rocks, Theatre students, gr.7 students being invited to introduce and welcome to school.
- Basketball playoffs going
- Students are excited for dances
- Enrollment, 3-4 applications per week, working to create more spaces, possibly look into online options for senior students. Divide larger classrooms, use al spaces available to create spaces. There will not be any more portables, will be a while before expansion.
- Vape detectors still not installed, parent inquiry. Stuck in finance, follow up was a month ago.
- Grade 7 parent/teacher night March 12, 6pm

5. Treasurer's Report (Rina Sidhu)

- PAC General Account \$5,256.08
- Gaming Account- \$21,278.76
 - Scholarships outstanding
 - \$880 for Dans Gold outstanding
- 6. DPAC Representatives Report (Ollie)
 - No updates
- 7. Committee Report Dry Grad (JT chair present)
 - Currently 87 tickets sold for upcoming dance, extending ticket dales to Friday.
 - spoke with Grads about fundraising ideas.
 - Surrey Central Fun Park for Dry Grad event.3pm-3am. Trying to provide more activities, looking for more volunteers for event. Hoping to have ticket prices down to \$35.

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- Boat Cruise May 1st. Use of parking lot approved.
- Veggie Box was a suggestion
- Possibly hold a silent auction, 50/50 raffle. Mentioned needing gaming license for these.
- Fundscript, Dry Grad parents have been involved in sales mostly. Can only collect 2 cheques per session. Trying to keep open longer.

8. Old Business

Amendments to PAC constitution & Bylaws, Voting results;

- Dry Grad representative necessary in executive, as always needed at the start of the school year. Voting: 2 rounds, Defeated.
- Elections- revise elections terms so chair may hold position for 2 years to allow consistency. July 1st- June 30th. **Voting: 3 in favour, 8 abstain, Defeated**.
- Signing authorities- amend to not allow spouses and immediate family members to sign for same accounts. **Voting: in favour, Unanimous.**

9. New Business

Request for Gaming Funds

- Leadership Deb McKenzie for \$1000, gr 10+12 transportation costs. Motion to accept 1st Mandy, 2nd Shante, and Motion carried, all in favour, approved.
- Mr. Chaucy, Drama department, \$1095, After School Theatre Company. Motion to accept 1st Shante, 2nd Mandy, motion carried, all in favour, approved.
- Athletics, Ms. Sandhu, Rugby tournament, \$1200. Motion to accept 1st Mandy, 2nd Ollie, motion carried, all in favour, approved.
- Ms. Goto, drapes replacement for band department, \$2520. Parent inquired about sharing drapes from Dry Grad. Motion delayed until further discussion.

March 7th there will be a uniform presentation.

Brief discussion regarding cellphone usage and restrictions.

Next PAC meeting: Thursday March 7th, 2024 at 6:30pm

Meeting Adjourned @ 7:51 PM, Motion to accept by Mandy, seconded by Shante. Motion carried, all approved. 14 in attendance, including Parents, Students, Staff and PAC Executive

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