



# École Salish Secondary

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## PARENT ADVISORY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES JANUARY 18<sup>th</sup>, 2021

\*\*Call to order at 7:19pm

- Motion to pass minutes from November 2020 PAC meeting will be deferred until February 2021.

### **1. Administration report**

- Grad ceremony will be similar to last year
- Grad council and commencement committees are meeting
- Getting an idea of what events will look like for June
- Looks like we will again have another number limit in the building
- More information to come out in the spring
- It would be advantageous for GRADS to get onto the GRAD MS TEAMS account for their grad write-up and to learn about scholarships/post-secondary etc.
- Grade 7 parent night will be run virtually (like PAC Meetings) on February 18<sup>th</sup> at 6:00pm
- Grade 7's will meet later in the school year for a school tour, on either a Monday or Friday when there's less kids in the building, but it is logistically tricky
- Due to COVID-19 pandemic and the lack of school activities/clubs/teams etc. yearbooks won't be produced until fall in order to include grad section
- Student council is starting an initiative in the school "Pink Hearts" for Grade 8's & 9's about "what they are thankful for". The idea is to decorate the school with the pink hearts, leading to Valentine's Day and Pink Shirt Day

### **Questions for Administration:**

- a. Are you able to explain the delivery for Block B band classes?
  - Grade 10's 21 students in Q3
  - Grade 11-12 25 students in Q4
- b. What collaborative programs are they currently running?
  - In Q2 and Q3 running Math and Engage
  - In Q4 LEAP for Grade 10's
- c. What collaborative programs will you be running next year?

- MASS, Engage and LEAP over two quarters, 2 blended and 2 in person
  - New course being offered is IGNITE into ACTION (Social Justice, Social Studies, Political Science, and Psychology) for Grade 11's and 12's
- d. When is course selection for next year?
- Course selection started the week of January 18<sup>th</sup> through January 22<sup>nd</sup> for Grade 8's
  - Course selection will be February 3<sup>rd</sup> through February 5<sup>th</sup> for Grade 9's
  - Course selection will be February 8 through 12<sup>th</sup> for Grade 10's
  - Course selection will be February 22<sup>nd</sup> through 26<sup>th</sup> for Grade 11's
  - Parents are encouraged to be involved and the presentation will be posted online for parents to see
  - Expect school delivery will be the same as this year, done in quarters, with Block A in person and Block B being blended
  - Scheduling will be tweaked if we're in quarters based on course requests
  - Scheduling will also be tweaked to allow classes that need hands-on access to be in Block A (ie. wood working)
- e. Why are Grade 12 girls not being included on the senior girls basketball team?
- Grade 12 girls are not as passionate about a basketball season where they will not participate in any competitions or tournaments. They are welcome to join if they are interested, contact Mr. De La Paz
- f. Will we see any changes to PE classes in light of COVID spread in PE classes at other Surrey schools?
- There are no new recommendations at this time because our school is smaller and has room to spread classes out (large gym divided, small gym, fitness gym, fitness studio, outdoor space).

## 2. **President report – Claire**

- We are still looking for volunteers to assist us in the following positions:
  - i. Secretary (Elected)
  - ii. Social Media Coordinator

## 3. **Vice-President report – Kelly**

**4. Treasurer report – Angela**

- Shared with admin the approved spending list
- Admin will work with teachers for funding requests that meet criteria

**5. DPAC report – Andrea**

- The next DPAC General Meeting will be held on January 27, 2021 at 7pm online via. Zoom. There will be a discussion about the Inclusion of diverse learners and presentations by DPAC Inclusion Committee and two parent advocacy videos:
  - i. Inclusion parent video part 1 (Lama, Bobbi, Tammy)
  - ii. Inclusion parent video part 2 (Kathryn)
- Also a presentation from a group called HILARAPY

**6. Canadian Parents for French – Mary-Em**

- District doing parent information sessions for K and late immersion
- Distributing funds to support French cultural events
- Chapter meetings have started again
- Looking for a new representative for CPF
- Delf exam for FRIM seniors is in April

**7. Questions from the floor**

**8. Adjourn**

**\*\*Meeting adjourned at 8:01pm\*\***

**Next Meeting: 7:00pm, Monday, February 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2021**