

# ELGIN PARK SECONDARY PAC MINUTES



**Date:** September 23, 2020

**Time:** 9:07

**Facilitator:** Susie Lang-Gould

## In Attendance

Susie-Lang Gould, Jodi Soheili, Simon Padgett, Jeff Johnstone

32 connections were made via zoom, not all names were visible

## Approval of Minutes

The minutes were displayed from previous meeting and approved by Catherine C. and Brenda M.

## Advisory Committee

There are two open positions on the PAC Board. Sara Bass is finishing her term as Secretary. A Co-Chair/Chair Shadow is being sought to facilitate transfer from year to year as both Susie and Jodi will finish their two-year commitment in 2021.

## Budget

Simon Padgett presented our current financial position. Currently hold roughly \$21,000 in donated funds at the school, \$2,614.47 in an account at CIBC, and \$22,476.45 in our operating account at CIBC. As a result of Covid, we have funds that were not allocated in 2019-2021 and will need to follow up with Mr. Johnstone with regard to funds re-allocation. We have not received notification of the 2020-2021 grant amount.

## Principal's Report

Principal Jeff Johnstone gave his report:

- Introduced key staff
  - Teresa Beck VP (M-Z)
  - Virginia Allard VP (A-L)
  - Adele Kim – Counselor A-G

- Liesa Hogan – Counselor H-Li
  - Jenny Hundal – Counselor Lia – Sa
  - Mini Gill – Counselor – Sc – Z
  - Chris Iaconis – Youth Care Worker
  - Lindsey Henderson – Safe School Liaison
- Feels this has been a challenging year, but is better than expected.
  - Several new teachers have been added to the school staff
  - #takecareofthepod is hashtag being used to communicate safety protocols
  - Health & Safety and Learning are guiding principles – Covid lens of Safety
  - Recap of Surrey Restart Plan
    - Cohorts of 30 and 60 Staff and Students
    - Staggered Start Times/Breaks/Dismissals
    - Controlled traffic flow throughout school
    - Masks required in all high traffic areas
  - Detailed explanation of Cohorts
    - Grade 8s – same all year
    - Grade 9s – mix after each quarter
    - Grade 10-12 – First Period is Cohort, Second Period is Blended learning
  - Safety Measures
    - Enhanced cleaning, signage and additional custodians
    - Masks must be worn in common areas. Choice to wear in class
    - Physical distancing – 2m apart outside of cohort
  - Enrollment
    - Projected for 1318 but currently have 1375
    - 50 International students were unable to attend
    - Many students in SAIL or Transitions program
  - Q&A
    - Clubs – STUCO, Clubs, and Sports TBA
    - Support programs for Grade 8 – LST, Bases, POD, HOPE, Counselling
    - Gaming grants – process with PAC and staff
  - Reminders:
    - Follow Daily Health Check and call or email if child is away
    - Ask teacher first about learning issues, larger concerns contact counselor or Admin
    - Be mindful of parking/drop off to avoid congestion and encourage safety
    - Check Orca News App and email

## New Business

- No new business

## Committee Reports

No committee reports at this time

## Announcements

No Announcements at this time

## Next Meeting

Next meeting set for October 28, 7pm via Zoom

Meeting was called to close at 9:56. Approved and seconded by Simon Padgett and Rose Pritchard