



Parent Advisory Council

PAC Meeting Minutes

DETAILS:

PAC MEETING	Virtual PAC Meeting
LOCATION	Virtual Meeting
DATE	Monday, April 26 th , 2021

PAC Executive:

PAC Chair: DJ Craig
 Vice Chair: Tanja Phillips
 PAC Treasurer: Lakhbir Johal
 PAC Secretary: Colette Mende
 District PAC Representative: Lakhbir Johal

COMMITTEES:

Canadian Parents for French ("CPF"): Tamsin L.
 District Parent Advisory Council ("DPAC"): Debora Z.
 Dry Grad Committee: Pam W.S. and Faye K.

Attendees:

Online MS Teams Call – 9 Participants including Principal, PAC Executives, CPF Rep, Dry Grad Committee and parents
 Absent: Tamsin L. (CPF)

2020/2021 PAC MEETING DATES

2020	October 26th -2020, 7:00 pm (AGM, Budget & Elections)	
	November 30 th -2020, 7:00 pm (Virtual Meeting)	
2021	January 25 th -2021, 7:00 pm (Virtual Meeting)	May 31 st 2021, 7:00 pm (Virtual Meeting) June 21 st 2021, 7pm
	February 22 nd -2021, 7:00 pm (Virtual Meeting)	June 21 st 2021, 7pm September 27 th , 2021, 7:00pm
	April 12 th -2021, 7:00 pm (Virtual Meeting)	September 27 th , 2021, 7:00pm
	April 26 th -2021, 7:00 pm (Virtual Meeting)	October 25th 2021, 7:00 pm (AGM, Budget & Elections)



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Minutes

7:07 PM

Call meeting to order – DJ Craig

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Move to accept agenda –1st Lakhbir Johal and 2nd Colette Mende , all in favour

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Motion to accept minutes from April 12th meeting 1st by DJ and 2nd by Lakhbir Johal, all in favour.

7:08 PM – 7:20

Ms. Claudine Davies- School Principal's Report - April Activity – What's Happening at EMS:

1. COVID Updates

1. EMS is tracking well comparatively, staying vigilant
2. Despite the delay with letters, we have been able to share, with permission, to classes when there is a concern or if they can expect a letter within days.
3. The first of three early dismissals for Health and Safety is this Friday
 - o Purpose is to provide additional training for staff regarding new protocols and targeted measures

2. Q3 End,

- Report for Quarter 3 has come out on MyEd BC

3. Final Q4 & Activities

- Final Q4 has begun
 - o Each Q start is similar to a September start-up, noted stress on students and staff
 - o Encourage everyone to keep with it until the end of June
- Good News - Student Recognition - plans are going forward for the last week of school
 - o Subject awards will be presented in classes
 - o Our four top awards will be presented differently (Virtually) TBD to respect health order regulations
- Q4 Activities
 - o Student Council has produced another Kahoot challenge for students
 - o Athletics has organized a Skills term for Rugby, Track and potentially Ultimate



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4. Commencement

- Again, we are under even tighter PHO restrictions
- We will be able to produce a Commencement, however, we are being restricted to 10 adults on site
- Looking at a drop off for Graduates by their C block class learning cohort, and then pick up on the other side 20 minutes later
- Lots of surprises and music to help celebrate the Grads
- Looking at a Live-stream virtual option for Parents

5. Next Year

- District calendar will be published in May Newsletter and full calendar in June
- At this time, looking at one bell schedule for Gr. 8-12, not staggered, quarters of equal length

Questions for Claudine Davies after Principal's Report

Question: Will Honour Role be included in the Student Recognition plans?

Answer: Honour Role is done at end of year after all grades computed and published in August News Letter. Certificate is printed on Request.

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Chair Report

DJ Craig – Chair report

- **Reconciliation Meeting summary**

- A very meaningful session
- Would like to see increased efforts to involve first nations in PAC where ever possible
- Looking at ways to engage and involve first nations to be better represented within PAC

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EMS Treasurer's Report- Lakhbir Johal

EMS Pac Account Balances as @ April26, 2021:

1. Admin Account \$4,394.41

- No change from last report



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2. Dry Grad Account \$ 10,756.64

- Received donations of \$380.50 (Parent & Surrey School District)

Pending Payments:

- \$1,000 Ulysses Scholarship from 2020 remains unclaimed by Josh S.
- Costs of EMS Plant fundraiser to be submitted \$ 2,703.94
- Ulysses Scholarship for \$1,000 will be awarded at end of year (for 2021)

Total Available: \$6,052.70

3. Gaming Account \$41,569.78

Pending Payments:

- Youth care worker food \$ 128.91
- Athletics Dept.: Basketball Jerseys \$ 1,000.00
- Athletics Dept.: Volleyball Jerseys \$ 942.21
- Athletics Dept.: Rugby Jerseys \$ 1,000.00

Total Available: \$38,498.66

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DPAC – Presented by Debora Z.

- No DPAC Meeting report for this period
- Next **DPAC General Meeting** is scheduled for this **Wednesday, April 28th, 7 -9:30pm via Zoom**

[Register in advance here](#)

- Please join us for a presentation at 8 pm by Jaclyn Blaney from Safe Schools, *Supporting Safe and Caring Schools*. This presentation will examine bullying behaviour (in person and online), healthy relationships, and how to support your youth as they transition through their school years.

We will also be discussing a proposal for DPAC-sponsored scholarships and bursaries, and reviewing the [Resolutions Booklet](#) for BCCPAC's upcoming AGM.

DPAC meetings are open to all Surrey District parents, although only PAC representatives previously registered with DPAC are eligible to vote.



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DPAC – Continued...

- **Upcoming DPAC Events:**

1. **Canada Bond Learning Project: \$ for Education - Wednesday, May 12, from 7pm – 8pm**

- Info session about the Canada Learning Bond (CLB) and British Columbia Training and Education Savings Grant (BCTESG)
 - o The CLB offers up to \$2,000 for children born Jan 1, 2004 or later, with a family household net income of \$48,535 or less
 - o The BCTESG offers \$1,200 for all children between 6 and 9 years old

2. **All about IEP's - Thursday, May 13, 6:30pm – 7:30pm**

- Session about Individualized Education Plans (IEPs) with Suzanne Perreault
- Will include an opportunity to ask your questions and clarify your doubts about IEPs, and to connect with other parents

3. **BCCPAC AGM - Saturday, May 1st, 2021, at 8:30am**

- Debora will attend as the EMS delegate
- There are 20 resolutions included in BCCPAC AGM Booklet so far:
 - o First 7 are by BCCPAC policy, one (resolution 2021.05) of which was raised as a concern
 - Allowing the board to appoint new board members and no election.
 - This would allow some possible bias in selection of board positions
Recommendation is to suggest wording be modified or not support
 - o Balance are from School districts including:
 - One resolution is presented by Surrey DPAC :
2021.10 – Implementation of Funding Model Review recommendation 1& 4
Addressing the funding of portables to be funded from Federal budget
 - o BCCPAC 2021 Resolutions booklet can be find here:
<https://bccpac.bc.ca/images/Documents/Resources/AGM/2021-AGM-Booklet.pdf>

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CPF Report –Tamsin L. Absent

No specific updates – next meeting to be held Thursday, April 29th



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Dry Grad - Pamela W.S.

- Plant sale fund raiser great success raised net profit of \$ 2,512.30
- Looking at one more fundraiser under COVID protocols
- Gathering additional ideas to augment commencement ceremonies
 - Decorations
 - Lawn grad photo signs – look at possible local business advertising support
 - Other opportunities to acknowledge graduating class

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New Schools Update

- No meeting since Spring Break, next meeting to be held this week
- Grandview Heights School is 90% complete – set to open for new school year
- Maddaugh Elementary (Fraser Heights) - opened new school with 25 class rooms
- Suggestion was made to potentially provide a seed grant for Grandview PAC
 - 1st year no gaming funds
 - Recommend to raise at September budget meeting – no motion at this time

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New Business/Other:

- **Social Media False EMS Accounts Concerns**

These sites continue to be a high concern – inappropriate language and negative messaging
Discussion followed on how to mediate?

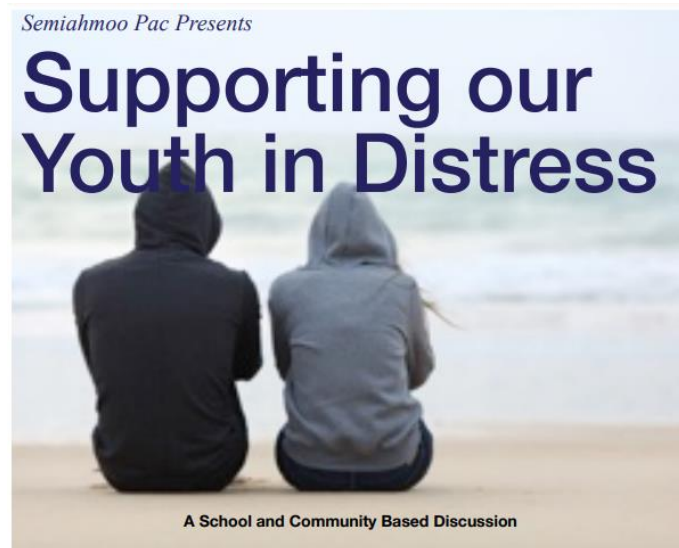
 - Ms. Davies has sent to Safe Schools & District IMS to see how they can support
 - Recommend that PAC also send a message as voice of parents and school community
 - Will add to Newsletter to ask for support from Parents to be aware, request help to check kids activity to get participation to stop



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New Business/Other Continued ...

- **Supporting our Youth in Distress – Zoom Presentation, May 4, 2021 – 6:30-8:30pm**
 - Semiahmoo PAC is holding a virtual presentation for parents and teens of the community
<https://ca01web.zoom.us/j/61000145867?pwd=TzMzYVpvNFAzZWJhYUJCYTZyQUJJZz09>



Are you a parent or young person struggling during this challenging time? Join us

May 4, 2021

6:30-8:30pm

ZOOM

<https://ca01web.zoom.us/j/61000145867?pwd=TzMzYVpvNFAzZWJhYUJCYTZyQUJJZz09>

SPEAKERS:

Sonia Stewart - Youth with lived experience

Emma Carlson - SPEAC (Suicide Prevention Education & Counselling)

Asli Kucukbumin - START (Short term assessment response treatment)

Dr. Jennifer Mervyn - Registered Psychologist

Hear stories first hand from youth who have struggled.

Receive helpful takeaways

Have your questions answered by a Professional

8: 17 PM Move to Adjourn

****Next Meeting: May 31st, 2021****

Teams meeting

Microsoft Teams meeting
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