



Parent Advisory Council

PAC Meeting Minutes

DETAILS:

PAC MEETING	PAC Meeting
LOCATION	Library
DATE	Monday, May 27, 2024 at 7pm

PAC Executive:

PAC Chair: DJ Craig

Vice Chair: Tanja Phillips

PAC Treasurer: Colette Mende

PAC Secretary: open

District PAC Representative: open

COMMITTEES:

Canadian Parents for French ("CPF"): Joy Rong

Dry Grad Committee: DJ Craig & Erin Harvie

PAC BBQ Committee: TBD

Attendees:

Vice-Principal, PAC Executive (3)

2023/2024 PROPOSED PAC MEETING DATES

September_25_23 7:00pm
Oct_30_23, 7:00 pm AGM, Budget & Elections
Nov_27_23, 7:00 pm
Christmas Break No Meeting
Jan_29_24 7:00pm
Feb_26_24 7:00pm
April_29_24 7:00pm
May_27_24 7:00pm
September_23_24 7:00pm



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Minutes

7:05 PM Meeting to order – DJ Craig

7:07 PM Move to accept agenda –1st by DJ, 2nd by TP. all in favour

7:08 PM Motion to accept minutes from April 29, 2024 meeting 1st by TP and 2nd by DJ. All in favour.

7:08 PM – 7:42 PM - Mr. Graham Magnusson- School Principal's Report

50th Anniversary Event – Fantastic, well attended! Scholarship funds raised

May 16 – Duke of Earl event – great sense of humour, well done! Great work by Dukes and backstage group

May 22 – Commencement – another great day! Approximately 2.5hrs total – 256 grads in Grad 2024

Upcoming:

- Some school sports running: rugby, soccer, track and field. All nearing their end, with Provincials for some sports starting this weekend.
- June 8 – Grad banquet and dry grad event

Next year:

- 1450 students registered for 2024/2025 (this year we are at 1415 registered students). The South Surrey Eagles U15 program (Grade 9) – may start an academy here, possible addition of 15 more students.
- Attendance: several students with late arrival and missing class days, 10%-20% of students are late to class. The challenge with students at this time of year is setting social norms at the beginning of the school year.
- -cell phones: loose language from the Ministry. In short cell, phone use needs to be included in the school code of conduct. SD36 working on the guidance, schools will adapt the guidance to the circumstances to each school.

Q: Following up with the question regarding why honour roll wasn't published in 2023?

A: Agreed with comments from last month: went more towards recognizing student learning in class etc. (a departmental recognition). Across SD36, honour rolls are not being used anymore. Most scholarships are looking at academic classes and other things not really looking for honour roll designation. Quality assessment tools, quality conversations with teacher, engagement with teacher and class are larger measures that help with student learning.

Q: Any thoughts on whether the 4 scale proficiency scale for reporting will change?

A: Likely no changes in the near future, the type of precision that parents may want with traditional grading is only a portion of what students can actually achieve. The number (grade percentage) doesn't always represent the learning over the longer time.

Q: Is there Naloxone onsite?

A: Yes, one kit in office and one kit in first aid kit. Each school in SD has a kit. Also, there are two defibrillators in EMS.



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7:42 PM-7:50 PM – Chair Report – DJ Craig

Sept 2019 was my first EMS PAC meeting and not is my final PAC meeting. It's been a positive experience and I welcome the next Chairperson to their role. PAC has been an informative way to participate and volunteer. Upmost appreciation and understanding towards the extracurricular effort of teachers staff and administration at EMS for their energy and contribution towards student education. I'd like to thank my fellow PAC executive Tanja and Colette for their efforts and leadership during this school year.

Five years has gone quickly. Time to pass the torch, please encourage others to attend.

7:50 PM – 8:01 PM - EMS Treasurer's Report- Colette Mende

- EMS PAC Bank Accounts consist of 3 separate accounts, to ensure full transparency and ease of management
 1. Gaming Account – Gaming has specific rules and restrictions
 2. Admin Account- General inflows through donations and/or district payments
 3. Dry Grad Account – PAC manages to help manage and control the funds for transparency

EMS PAC Account Balances as @ May 27th, 2024:

- **Admin Account \$ 18,002.56**
 1. 6 cheques cleared which funded the 50 Year celebration. Total costs \$4597.44 (budget max of \$5000).

Closing balance post outstanding cheques \$17,883.91
- **Dry Grad Account \$ 38,449.44**
 1. Funds to be allocated: \$2000 to Legacy Gift from Grad 2023 for mural.
 2. \$7,213.91 To remain in account consisting of seed funds and previous grad class contributions donated to specific future classes.

Current amount available to Grad 2024 (less amounts paid to date) \$28,400.64 .
- **Gaming Account \$21,005.01**
 1. \$2897.30 net dispersed for period, - various school club expenses – approved budgeted funds.

Closing balance post outstanding cheques \$ 18,604.28
- **EMS General Account – School Fundraising \$1.85**
 1. General account for school fundraising (PowWow and 50th year celebration events). Funds are returned to school for program activities Community account, therefore no fees for these accounts.
 2. \$5,410.29 bank draft to school for Pow Wow (Square sales)
 3. \$1,584.90 bank draft to school for the 50th Anniversary event (Square sales)
 4. \$1,445.81 transfer to Dry Grad for donut sales (Square sales)



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- Additional notes:
 1. Budget request submission were sent out in May.
 2. Gaming unspent amounts – advised most teachers of remaining balances.

8:01 PM DPAC

- There is currently an opening for an EMS parent DPAC representative.
- More information about DPAC is available at www.surreydpac.ca, or by contacting info@surreydpac.ca.

8:02 PM CPF – Joy R. – no report this month

7:40- 7:50 PM - Dry Grad Report - DJ Craig and Erin Harvie (not present, report sent by email).

A Dry Grad Update:

Need parents volunteers for the event! Any grade parent can help out.

Dry Grad Tickets:

Our Dry Grad event is taking place to offer the students one last night all together in a safe and fun environment. It takes countless hours to put this event together - please support Dry Grad and purchase a ticket for your student!

It is extremely helpful to have people purchase their tickets to the Dry Grad event as soon as possible. Price goes up May 31! They can be found at:

<https://munchalunch.com/login.aspx>

Dry Grad First Aid:

We have a lead for First Aid at the actual dry grad event. Thank you!

Dry Grad Prizes

We have started shopping for prizing for the big night. If you have a business or know of a business that would like to donate a prize for Grade 12 students, we are currently accepting any donations.

Our email address: emsdrygrad2024@gmail.com email me and I will happily put them on this list.

8:05 PM - PAC BBQ - Was a success in the past and we're doing it again on June 14 2024. Would love any volunteers! We meet at 10:45 to set up and get cooking, ideally 12 to 16 parents needed to help serve.

8:11 PM New Business - no new business

8:11 PM Move to Adjourn – 1st by DJ and 2nd by TP.

****Next Meeting: September 23, 2024**