



Parent Advisory Council

PAC Meeting Minutes

DETAILS:

PAC MEETING	PAC Meeting
LOCATION	On-line and EMS Library
DATE	Monday, May 29, 2023 at 7pm

PAC Executive:

PAC Chair: DJ Craig
 Vice Chair: Tanja Phillips
 PAC Treasurer: Colette Mende
 PAC Secretary: open
 District PAC Representative: Patrick Wang

COMMITTEES:

Canadian Parents for French ("CPF"): Joy Rong
 Dry Grad Committee: Julie Johnson
 PAC BBQ Committee: DJ Craig

Attendees:

Principal, PAC Executive (2), Participants (2: JR, JJ)

2022/2023 PROPOSED PAC MEETING DATES

September_26_22 7:00pm
Oct_24_22, 7:00 pm AGM, Budget & Elections
Nov_28_22, 7:00 pm
Christmas Break No Meeting
Jan_30_23 7:00pm
Feb_28_23 7:00pm
Mar_27_23 7:00pm
April_24_23 7:00pm
May_29_23 7:00pm
September 25, 2023



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Minutes

7:03 PM Meeting to order – TP

7:03 PM Move to accept agenda –1st by JP, 2nd by CM. All in favour.

7:04 PM Motion to accept minutes from April 29, 2023 meeting 1st by CM and 2nd by TP. All in favour.

7:04 PM – 7:23 PM - Ms. Claudine Davies- School Principal's Report

Finishing the calendar year: Students in all grades will be in full session until Friday, June 23rd. The week of June 26th -28th is for Completion Days. All students in Grade 10 will be writing the Numeracy Assessment during the week of June 14th -17th. Teachers will be offering completion support to students from Monday, June 26th – Wednesday June 28th. Biggest highlight this month was the Commencement Ceremony on May 25th 4h. Over 240 students crossed the stage to receive their High School diploma, and to receive hundreds of thousands of dollars in scholarship money from generous community sponsors, district scholarship funds and post-secondary entrance awards. Congratulations to Jacob Knowles, Valedictorian, and also to Haley Issel, our Ulysses Award recipient.

Other highlight events in May included the Duke of Earl (congratulations Nick!), and the many sports tournaments and competitions that our Mariner students attended. All of our Boys' rugby teams played in the South Frasers. Grade 8's and Senior Boys won, so they will go on to the Provincials.

Grassroots has completed their planting in the courtyard. Thanks to PAC for their donation. Special Congratulations to Grade 11 student, Ruby Craig, who as one of 22 students across Canada has been shortlisted in CBC First Page Writing Challenge. You can check out her work "Is this life?" @ cbc.ca/thefirstpage.

June Calendar: Next month, in the newsletter, we will be sending out information for summer office hours and school start up dates, along with a new planning calendar and Bell Schedule for 2023/2024.

Upcoming important events:

- Scholarship Tea, June 8th
- Band Concert, June 8th
- Grade 12 Sports day, June 9th
- Dinner Dance/Dry Grad, June 10th/11th
- Athletic Banquet, June 15th
- Yearbook Hot Dog Day, June 16th
- Student Recognition Evening, June 28th

For the Yearbook distribution and Hot Dog day:

- Spoke with Jenny and Canuel and they are able to help out
- They suggested 200 less hot dogs than last year
- Last year, I sent out a Social media request for volunteers



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- Student leadership and Student Council will help out
- Band is good to go
- Yearbooks are good to go

7:23 PM-7:27PM – Chair Report – Tanja Phillips in lieu of DJ Craig

- Heartfelt Thank You to Ms. Davies for her 6 years at EMS and navigating the school through the covid years and the transition of staff and students to the new Grandview High School. We appreciated all the work you have done at EMS and the input to the PAC. We wish you all the best in your retirement.

7:27 PM – 7:43 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 28th, 2023 (Not including transactions not yet processed through bank):

- **Admin Account \$16,722.14**
 - No activity this period
- **Dry Grad Account - Bank balance – 2023-05-28 \$47,194.78**
 1. Total activity for April to May;
 2. Deposits \$18,617.24
 3. Payments \$13,088.13
 4. Outstanding Cheques (not cashed/cleared in bank) \$6,904.10
 5. **Revised Closing Balance = \$40,290.68**
 6. Additional funds to be retained in account at end of year:
 - Initial carry-forward from prior year starting balance \$7,003.28
 - Grad 2022 Surplus donation for 2024 & 2025 Dry Grad Account \$3,756.78
 - Total \$10,760.06
- **Gaming Account - Bank balance – 2023-05-28 \$24,473.19**
 1. Transactions in May paid \$3,164.77
 2. Outstanding Cheques (not cashed/cleared in bank) \$1,301.26
 3. **Revised Closing Balance \$23,171.93**

Gaming request will be completed this upcoming week for next year.

7:43 - 7:44 PM DPAC – report deferred to next meeting

- More information about DPAC is available at www.surreydpac.ca, or by contacting info@surreydpac.ca.



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- All general meetings are held on the 4th Wednesday monthly (except December and March), 7-9 pm. Registration/login begins at 6:45 pm.
- Meetings will be conducted in person at Surrey District Education Centre 14033 92 Ave. Surrey B.C. V3V 0B7 and streamed via zoom. The next meeting will be September 27, 2023.

7:44 -8:05 PM CPF – Joy R

- Surrey CPF chapter has been on an improve list. Surrey is largest school district, however has the lowest FI registration.
- Action plan has been drafted, something each month to increase enrollment.
- Working on a program for teacher retention.
- Concours was a huge success, especially for EMS.
- EMS has several applicants in the awards, with 2 winners from our French Immersion program.
- Ms Davies comment – This year there were 4 blocks of FRIM LST support and this will continue in the future.

8:05 PM- 8:14 PM - Dry Grad Report – Julie J

- Thank you for the Plant Sale fundraiser (over \$6K raised).
- Duke of Earl was fantastic, the gym was electric with energy.
- Dry Grad ticket sales have re-opened on special request until June 31.
- 220 tickets sold.
- Large numbered bags will be handed out next week and Grads to bring their change of clothes in the bag on June 9.
- There are two more Dry Grad Committee meetings: June 1 and June 8.
- Please contact Mr Haffner at haffner_m@surreyschools.ca or Julie at emsgrad2023@gmail.com if you have any questions.

8:14 PM – 8:15 PM- PAC BBQ - Was a success in the past and will be held again on June 16, 2023. Would love any volunteers and donations! DJ to take the lead and has secured donations from Grimms. Advertising to be sent out next week to students and the request for volunteers to parents.

8:15 PM New Business

- No new business

8:15 PM Move to Adjourn – 1st by TP and 2nd by JJ.

****Next Meeting: September 25, 2023**