



NORTH SURREY SECONDARY PAC

GENERAL MEETING MINUTES

September 19, 2018

9/19/2018 7:00 PM | Meeting called to order by Lisa S.

In Attendance

PAC President: Lisa S. **Vice President:** Pam A., **Treasurer:** Denise K. (absent), **Secretary:** Cari S. **DPAC:** Sukhi S.

School Principal: Darren Bedard, **Vice Principals:** Diane Christensen, Gro Averill (not present)

Parent/Guardian Attendees: Nav B., Roy K., Colleen R., Amy D., Carrie B., Sandy J., Sunny C., Alan L., Dawn Z., Shayana S., Linda S., Phons S., Gurdeep, Carol W., Yong H.

Approval of Minutes

Motion to adopt the minutes from **March 14, 2018** and **May 16, 2018** by Cari S. seconded by Sukhi S. Approved.

Principal's Report

NSS Website/App... all updates are posted to the NSS website and NSS Spartans school app. The NSS website has a review of the school announcements posted every day.

(<https://www.surreyschools.ca/schools/northsurreysecondary/Pages/default.aspx>)

2018/19 Enrollment...total students for the 2018/19 year is at 1415 which is down from the projected enrollment of 1439. The staffing levels will remain the same for the year, 19 new teachers were hired for a total of 80 teachers.

Grade 8 Retreat...was held September 13 and 14. Future class of 2023 these Grade 8s had another successful retreat at Camp McLean.

White Hatter ...came in on September 12 to speak to the Grade 8 class about social media. The White Hatter is a great presentation that gives students an overall picture of the impact of social media. The parent presentation was held in the evening – for the parents that came to the presentation it was well received.

Fall Sports Clubs...the fall sports are well underway. Sr. Volleyball, Sr. Basketball and Aquatics. Upcoming information on sports clubs and tryouts are done with the announcements and on the TV screens throughout the school every day.

School Plan...Goal for the 2018/19 year is Student Engagement. More information is posted on the NSS website.

Communication...Students/Parents have the option to use the website and app for the most up to date information around the school. Parents can also call into the office for student absences. The best option for reaching a teacher directly is via email. All teacher emails are posted on the website.

Interim report cards...will be coming out Oct. 9-12; mid-term informal notes. Grade 8 Humanities will be getting a report in January.

Dates ...review the principals report below. Also, all important dates are posted on the NSS website and NSS app.

Committee Reports

Treasurer's Report ... current expenditures reviewed. Teacher expenditure request deadline is November 4th – PAC to review at November Meeting.

DPAC Report ... Refer to DPAC Facebook or website for current information. DPAC meets every 3rd Wednesday of every month.

Communications

N/A

New Business

N/A

Next Meeting

- November 14, 2018
- Meeting adjourned at 7:52 p.m.



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PAC Meeting Sept 19, 2018

Principal's Report – Admin Introductions

KWL – table activity

Highlights

- School opening
- Enrollment currently at 1415 up 22 down from projection. Hired 19 new teachers.
- Gr 8 retreat at camp mclain
- Athletics Gr 8, Jr, Sr girls volleyball, Gr 8 Boys volleyball, Aquatics, X-country
- Grade 8-9 Social Media presentation from the Whitehatter – great parent resources at <http://www.personalprotectionsystems.ca/>

Important Dates

- Sept 24 Non-Instructional day
- Sept 27 Terry Fox run
- Sept 28 Orange shirt day (aboriginal focus)
- Oct 3 Gr 12 Assembly
- Oct 4 Gr 12 parent night 6:30-8:30 Theater
- Oct 9-12 Communicating student learning week -Gro
- Oct 15 Photo retakes
- Oct 16 Late start P/T interviews- sign up on line –Gro
- Oct 19 Pro d day
- Oct 22 Post-secondary info event 1:45-4:15

Things to know

- School Plan
- School communication (APP, Website, School messaging, Phone calls)
- Parent Portal- MyEdBC



KWL Activity about the role of the PAC and our meetings together...

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What I know about PAC meetings...	What I wonder about PAC meetings...	What I hope to learn at PAC meetings...
<p>PACs discuss:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Budget allocation • New curriculum • Equipment and learning resources • Facility issues • Communicating ideas from DPAC • Identifying unique community needs • Improving school community/parent relations • Encouraging community/school members to attend and share ideas • • • 	<p>How can we:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Determine meaningful topics to discuss? • Reach more parents? • I really want to learn how funding works in high school. • Where is the coffee and donuts and tea to? • What supports for learning for grade 11 students (subject specific i.e. Pre Cal). • What is DPAC's role? • How parents of a grade 11 child get involved – more – towards support-for them at school – projects? Events? • Grade 8 Parent Info Sheet transitioning into high school. • Different groups and clubs in the school (student/teacher presentations?) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Who does what and get to know the different programs and opportunities available to my child. • Networking • How I can help and enable my child to learn and be engaged and excited to be involved. • Educate myself around all these new ways of educating, informing, communicating etc. in the year 2018. • Concerns/trends parents should know regarding students. • Guest speaker – School Liaison Officer to talk in general about issues/concerns in the school that parents should be aware of. • School highlights/lowlights.