



# ***Sullivan Heights Secondary – PAC***

***(Parent Advisory Council)***

***6248-144 Street***

***Surrey, B.C. V3X 1A1***

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***Parent Advisory Committee (PAC) Meeting Minutes***

***Monday May 27, 2024***

***7 pm School Library***

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## **INTRODUCTIONS & WELCOME**

### **PAC Executive:**

**President- Delicia O’Neil**

**Vice President- Sophia DeBoer**

**Treasurer- Beth Cameron**

**Secretary- Mandeep Dhaliwal (absent)**

**DPAC Representative - Carrie Newman**

Darrin Winning (absent) – Outgoing PAC President [president@sullivanstarspac.ca](mailto:president@sullivanstarspac.ca)

Avinash Maniram (absent) – Outgoing Treasurer [treasurer@sullivanstarspac.ca](mailto:treasurer@sullivanstarspac.ca)

Beth Cameron - Outgoing Secretary [secretary@sullivanstarspac.ca](mailto:secretary@sullivanstarspac.ca)

### **Parents:**

**\*\* parents attending in person at the school (*Kirsty Ellison, Sophia Deboer, Stacey Blondheim, Delicia O’Neil, Jasmeen, Cristian Bacuetes, Christina Bacuetes , Beth Cameron, Carrie Newman, Jamshid Dagig, Kuldeep, Pam Dhaliwal*)**

## **INTRODUCTION**

PAC Executive, parents introduced themselves. Delicia O’Neil chaired the meeting.

PAC hosts 5-6 meetings/year.

### **Staff:**

Mr. David Baldasso – Principal

Mr. Nik Kirincic - Principal 2024/25 school year (effective July 1 2024)

## **NEW PAC EXECUTIVE**

1. 2023/2024 is the last year for Darrin and Avinash as PAC Executive, however they will be here to assist the new PAC executive team until the end of 2025 school year. Thank you to both Darrin and Avinash for their many years of serving on the PAC executive. New PAC executive to be effective May 27, 2024

## **PRINCIPAL’S REPORT**

Please see the attached Principal’s report for May 2024.



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## **Important Dates:**

- May 29/30 – Capstone Interviews
- May 31 – Grad Dinner/Dance – Parents’ Tea
- June 3 – Year End Band Concert – Bell Theatre @ 7pm
- June 5 – Commencement – Bell Theatre
- June 10 – 14 – Core Competency Week
- June 11/12 – Provincial Assessments
- June 17 – Year End Dance Show
- June 21 – Pancake Breakfast – Last Day of Regular Classes
- June 24 – Student Recognition Evening – Bell Theatre

## **Highlights**

- Athletics –
  - # of athletes competing at the Track & Field Provincials
  - Junior Girls’ repeat as SSSAA Champions in Soccer
  - Provincial Championships Hosts – Senior Girls’ Soccer at SSAP
  - Provincial Winners of Most Inspirational School – awarded by BC School Sports
- Performing Arts –
  - Band Concert – June 3<sup>rd</sup> – Bell Theatre
  - Dance Performance – Year End – going to be amazing!
- Grad Functions
  - Parents’ Tea – afternoon of May 31
  - Dinner Dance – May 31 at Newlands
  - Dry Grad – May 31/June 1 at Central City Fun Park
  - Commencement – June 5 at Bell Centre
- Introducing New Principal – September 2024
  - Nik Kirincic

## **School Updates**

- Projections – updated since last meeting – sitting at just around 2000 students
  - Still remain on regular schedule
  - Mitigating strategies to remain on regular schedule – such as Gr 11 studies
  - 430 Grade 8’s – largest Grad class so far
- Hall Passes – continue to be used to reduce the hall wandering
- Vaping – has become more of an issue over the course of the year – parent involvement for next year



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## **TREASURER REPORT**

The PAC has 3 sources of Revenue that we are responsible for:

1. ***Community Gaming Funds:*** Funded each year from the Provincial Government and based on the head count; generally, around \$20/head is allocated from numbers projected last year (1800 students). This money has to be used for extracurricular activities, and not things that contribute to the academic curriculum. Additionally, this grant can **NO LONGER** be used to support scholarships, bursaries, monetary or gift card prizes. *Note the careers centre usually provides 10x\$500 scholarships/bursaries to graduating students that was previously funded by the gaming fund. We will have to rely on the parent contribution fund going forward to support this which means this is in jeopardy given the lack of donations by parents.*
  - a. The current gaming balance: **\$26,143 (still to disburse: 13,610). Estimated balance after all disbursements: \$12,533**
2. ***PAC (Legacy in trust at District):*** Legacy funds held at the district - we draw down on these funds as required for special requests, once these funds are gone, the account will close. This account may be used for special requests that are not allowed to be used by gaming funds. These funds were used up this year to support Careers Education (scholarship and bursaries). **Current Balance: \$0.**
3. ***Sullivan PAC:*** Funded generally from parent contributions - we send out a request annually for a \$20 donation from parents to add to the pool of resources. This request was sent to parents in September and in January (note this is over and above the school fees). With 1900 students, we would/could raise \$38,000. Typically, we raise only \$1200 through this. To date, this year we have approx \$2062 so far collected. We will continue to send out this request frequently as a reminder to parents (through facebook and include verbage on school communications as well) **Current balance: \$2593 (still to disburse \$800) Estimated balance after all disbursements: \$1793**

**If you haven't made a \$20 contribution yet, please consider doing so to enable further support of school activities. This is the only fundraising the PAC does.** Etransfers can be sent to [treasurer@sullivanstarspac.ca](mailto:treasurer@sullivanstarspac.ca)

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**DPAC - at the District Level – Carrie Newman**

For More Info about DPAC: [www.Surreydpac.ca](http://www.Surreydpac.ca)



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1. BCCPAC and vote on new members was discussed at last meeting. Surrey didn't get a member on Provincial PAC.
2. PACs need to pay fees by Dec 31 the BCCPAC to ensure a vote in the May election.
3. \$5 billion has been requested from province to support Surrey for 2024/25 year, Province has allocated \$2.3 billion for 3 years for whole province. Surrey DPAC really wants to make more noise about lack of funding, etc from the province
4. DPAC may hold an event in September to get more involvement from PACs. Carrie will keep us updated.

## **DRY GRAD**

No update-but event is happening May 31.

## **ONGOING BUSINESS:**

1. No additional discussion

## **NEW BUSINESS:**

1. The gaming fund application is due June 30<sup>th</sup>. For the most part it is an online application however last year they did request copies of meeting minutes and by-laws. Plan to do the application once the PAC executive have changed on the banking and signing authority- Meeting at bank scheduled for June 7<sup>th</sup>

## **OPEN QUESTIONS:**

1. Received an email request to send out the agenda prior to the meeting. Will do so going forward in 2024/25 year
2. Are there single use washrooms available (because of vaping)? Yes, in the E-wing (4<sup>th</sup> floor), across from careers (ask Nicole for key), and by the gym

Meeting Adjourned @ 7:34pm.

**Upcoming meetings for the Year: (IN PERSON @ Sullivan Heights Secondary School in the Library at 7pm):**

None! Enjoy the summer