

Sands Parent Advisory Committee Meeting

Meeting Location	Library
Meeting Date:	November 20, 2018
Meeting Time:	7:00 p.m.
Meeting Facilitator:	Razia Khan & Amy Burden
Attendees:	Executive: Co-Chairpersons: Amy Burden & Razia Khan Co-Treasurers: Suzana Topic & Kavita George Secretary: Elaine Addison Co-DPAC representatives: Gladys We Principal: Aaron Akune Incoming Principal: Mark Robinson S. Baumeister, K. Charnetski, C. Vaz, K. Stogianou, B. McRae, A. Valcamp, A. Panesar, T. Nathan, C. Norton Regrets: Joanna MacIntosh

Call to Order: 7:04

Welcome and new introductions

Adoption of agenda

- Approved

Minutes from Previous Meeting

- Approved with minor revisions

Principal's Update

- Introduced Mark Robinson, incoming Principal, currently VP at Seaquam
- Mark: Has lived in Tsawwassen from 8 years old, attended UVIC, worked previously at DSS, SDSS, NDSS, Delview, has taught English/Business/Career Planning and Math, was at Sands for 6 wks straight out of teacher training; Mark views education as a relationship building business, had two Sands student come to Seaquam to introduce themselves to Mark so he feels welcomed already
- Breaking Down the Walls: Mark's daughter took part at SDSS as did 600 other students,

said was very good, Mark is interested to see what the follow up will look like

- Aaron had suggested Breaking Down the Walls be introduced next year as we are a school within a community as connections are good but we can always do better, Burnsvew is running it this year, cost may be around \$10,000.
- During the last 3-4 weeks Sands hosted some events:
 - Seniors night for Gr 10-12 students, offered food, the canteen was open for games, drama room was set up with movie, about 130 signed up and over 110 showed up, may be another one coming up soon, also this past Friday Sands put on a family fun night for gr 8-10 around 30 kids signed up by Thursday but more signed up on the day of the event
- Safeteen for gr 9, outside facilitators brought in to talk through different scenarios and how to advocate for yourself and stay safe without physical means, in terms of bullying and other situations
- Remembrance Day assembly put on by Community Ambassadors for the 2nd year
- Canned food drive coming up, has been a decline in participation, assembly to kick it off this year and friendly competition between grades, Dave Campbell spearheads it and a group of his students and others who wish, will go door to door on Dec. 3
- Winter Gala for Gr 11-12s on Dec 13, dinner followed by dancing
- Gr 8 & 9s getting signed up on My Blueprint, getting them ready to Career Ed 8 & 9, to create an online portfolio of works created and will carrying over for non-enrolling Career Ed Capstone course in Gr 11-12, can show their growth and potential
- Gr 8 presentation today/yesterday by DPP about fentanyl and drug use during PE blocks, there will be a follow up during a flex time
- Scholarship info is held by Susan Deane, kids can start looking into it in Gr 10 or 11, she has a career centre website that all can access (<https://sandscareercentre.weebly.com/>) and is happy to have kids approach her with questions
- Thank you to all of you from Aaron as it is his last Sands PAC mtg

Treasurer's Report: Suzana Topic

- No change to the balance
- Signing authority has been transferred over
- Sands has now been signed up for BCPAC, cheque has been cut and will be sent out

DPAC update: Gladys We

- Presentation on inclusion by Joanna Angelidis, video link to follow, 16,100 students in Delta School District and almost 4000 have designations, if you take out ELL designations out that makes 1 in 8 students, talk a bit about the funding portion and the team
- Joe Muego, who was DPAC chair, wasn't re-elected as school trustee in the recent election, trustee assigned to Sands will change and School Trustees have just had their

inaugural meeting

- 140000 votes this election vs 110000 in previous
- Talk about healthy schools program
- No website for DPAC as it was on a volunteer basis and they are considering creating a website although some older minutes can be found on the district site at <https://www.deltasd.bc.ca/resources/delta-parent-advisory-council-dpac/>

Other business

- from Joanna MacIntosh via B. McRae: new container checklist has items that have not been on list previously, will have to replace some expired items, most everything is in the container
 - enough for 3 days for all students and staff however within the first 24 hours, 80% of the kids have dispersed
 - looking into a rotation of purchasing and discard/donate prior to expiration
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Next Meeting

- January 15, 2019
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Adjourned: 8:34