

Sands Parent Advisory Committee Meeting

Meeting Location	Online via Zoom
Meeting Date:	January 19, 2021
Meeting Time:	7:00 p.m.
Meeting Facilitator:	Suzana Topic
Attendees:	Co-Treasurers: Suzana Topic & Kavita George Secretary: Elaine Addison DPAC representative: Sheryl Gray Dry Grad Liaison: Suzana Topic Emergency Preparedness: Sandra Baumeister & Tony Nathan Principal: Mark Robinson Regrets: Razia Khan G. We, K. Charnetski, R. Kaune

Call to Order: 7:03

Minutes from Previous Meeting

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Principal's Update

- COVID cases at Sands – over the winter break we had some students on self isolation. Principal and VP called all the families to let them know and to clear up any confusion.
- Fraser Health keeps refining their protocols in the hopes of faster contact tracing and accuracy. There is now a division that deals specifically with schools.
- Mental Health Literacy and Drugs and Alcohol presentations being given to grade 8's and 9's over the next two weeks in PE. Drugs and Alcohol presentations being given to grade 10's this quarter.
- Pro D day on Jan 22 will have an Indigenous focus.
- Counselling area lunch grab and go is going well and we are giving out approximately 15-20 lunches a week. Program teachers are getting them to students in need as well. We are serving juice boxes, fruit cups, Nutrigrain granola bars, Fruit to go and a snack (i.e. Smart popcorn, Dad's cookies, etc). Superstore is helping to partner with us by providing some gift cards to purchase items
- Athletics training is going on – volleyball and basketball on Monday and Wednesday from 3:30-4:30 and 4:45-5:45

- Delta is moving to Outlook and Teams and optional Office 365. Sands will be the secondary pilot starting March 1. We are changing our domain to @deltaschools.ca
- Literacy and Numeracy assessment for the grade 10s and 11s this month
- Winter assembly was on the last day of classes. Skits, video, singing and a good time. A link was sent to all families. Students watched it from their classrooms.
- Val Windsor is our School Board representative/liaison, I am meeting with her next week.
- Course planning is beginning in Feb with counsellors visiting all students and students making selections. Right now we are planning for Quarter classes with a backup of Linear classes.
- New Grade 8 Parent night for course planning is on January 21. Grade 9 and 10 on Feb 2 and Grade 11 and 12 on Feb 4.
- New Student registration, Cross Catchment and Out of District applications will be accepted starting Feb 1 – all on-line this year.
- UBC's MDI (Middle Years Development Instrument) survey. The purpose of this survey is to gather information about the health and wellbeing of children in BC ages 10-13. All Grade 8s have the opportunity to participate in this survey in Quarter 3.
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Treasurer's Report

- Submitted the gaming report for last year

DPAC update: Sheryl Gray

- Doug Sheppard went thru enhanced student learning policy (developed in 2010) which is Delta's vision and philosophy behind the foundation of its education, programs and schools
- School trustees are looking for PACs to submit input for Feb 28 for it's annual round table with DPAC, any ideas can be sent to Sheryl
- Still looking for people to fill a couple more positions

Dry Grad update: Suzana Topic

- No meeting

Other business

- More thank yous received from staff that benefited from the Gaming Grant funds
- BCCPAC nominations open for 4 positions for 2021-2023 terms: 1st Vice-President, Treasurer, Director (*two positions available*)
- BCCPAC has three awards given to parents/guardians annually recognize those PAC/DPAC members who are giving back to their communities.: [Bev Hosker Motivational Award](#), [George Matthews Award for Excellence](#), [Life Membership Award](#)
- BCCPAC has an [Educational Award](#) honouring a well-rounded Grade 12 student

attending a BCCPAC member school who plans to pursue post-secondary studies. The recipient will receive an award in the amount \$1000.

- BCCPAC calls for members in good standing to submit proposed Resolutions – Special and Ordinary prior to January 31, 2021.

Next Meeting

- February 16

Adjourned: 7:43