

Parent Advisory Council Meeting Minutes

Date: Thursday Sep 19th, 2024

Time: 7:00 – 8:30 PM

Location: Abby Senior Library Learning Commons

Details: General PAC meeting

Executives in Attendance:

President: Winsome Rauch

Vice President:

Treasurer:

Secretary: Kiran Harry

DPAC Rep:

Grade 9/10 Parent Rep: Andy Capesinio Grade 11/12 Parent Rep: Stacey Parson

School staff in Attendance:

Principal: Carla Campbell Vice Principal: Kaitie Caines

Guests/ Parents in Attendance:

Jennifer MacDonald, Mukoso Nwogu, Parneet Kaur Panag, Tiffany Zarecki, Ndiffo, Nguyen /Thun Phong Hoang, Hoang Xuan Thuy Nguyen, Eveline Dinov, Rehan Siddiqui, Parveen Toor, Anna Chepelieva

- 1. Welcome and Introductions Winsome Rauch
 - **1.1 Land Acknowledgment and Welcome:** Winsome called the meeting to order at 7:05 with land acknowledgment
 - **1.2 Welcome and Introductions:** Welcome note from Winsome all executives, guests and parent introductions
 - 1.3 New Vice Principal Ms. Katie Caines joined as new VP, she is responsible for



students from P to Z

1.4 PAC Rules and regulations: Ground rules for PAC discussed by Winsome

2. Principal's report - Carla Campbell

- 2.1 Principal introduced new VP Ms. Caines
- 2.2 School Website: All student related information is on school website, on the website go to student tab and then go to student handbook. There is PDF read it to have anything you want to know about the school
- 2.3 Panther Press Weekly newsletter sent to families via email with all weekly information
- 2.4 School report:
 - 2.4.1 3 Vice Principals
 - 2.4.2 Number of students:
 - 1350 total students for this year, with 40 to 60 students more than usual
 - 87 International students coming from 13 different countries
 - 140 Indigenous students
 - 200 ELL

2.5 Important Dates:

- Sep 20 First SLO
- Oct 4 Tutorial: First student tutorial this is not in the first block this year its in between C or D block falls in the middle of the morning
- Oct 23 24 Early dismissal, parent student conferences
- Nov 4 cross enhancement students who need help will be there that day
- Nov 4 marks will be due
- Nov 7 reports go online check MYED for report cards

2.6 MYED:

- MYED is currently student portal and accessed by students
- Parent portal will come soon

2.7 Funding:

2.7.1 Affordability Fund: This funding is to help students who need assistance for



paying school fee, transportation etc. – ask counsellors for more information

- 2.7.2 Feeding Futures: This funding is for providing food to students
 - Currently school is providing lunch for 50 plus students
 - Breakfast for 150 plus students Bagels on Tuesday, Waffles on Thursdays

Parent Question: Who this breakfast program is for?

Ms Carla: Breakfast program is for anyone who need – Everyone is welcome

- 2.8 Student Presentations: Question about if PAC would like to have students come to PAC meetings and give 5 10 minutes presentations about different programs in school, this way parents will know what school is offering
- 2.9 Grad Cruise: Grad cruise was on Sep 18th went well 200 students attended and enjoyed
- 2.10 Sports: Football season is started
 - Juniors football game is Sep 19th
 - Senior's game is on Sep 20th Game will start at 7:00 pm there will be concession stands
- 2.11 Event: Cops for cancer event happened this week on Thursday they rode bikes through rotunda to raise awareness
- 3. Approval of previous minutes Kiran Harry
 - 3.1 MAY AGM Minutes presented: Stacey moved the meeting minutes Andy seconded, All in favor Approved.
- 4. Treasurer's report: Brigette Wimmer

4.1 Gaming: 1476.58

General account: 3209.07

- 4.2 June 6, 2024, E-motion, (6 in favour, none opposed) That the \$500 originally designated for the Grad Breakfast be reallocated towards covering the increased bussing costs for Prom, and that an additional \$500 from the Grad BBQ funds be redirected to bussing expenses for Prom
- 4.3 Gaming Account Summary Report due Sep 30



5. DPAC Report - Winsome Rauch

- 5.1 There is vacancy for inclusion rep and indigenous rep first meeting is on Sep 26
- 5.2 DPAC is planning to bring another speaker series
- 5.3 Refer to Facebook group and DPAC meeting minutes for more information

6. President's Report – Winsome Rauch

- 6.1 Gaming grant application was submitted on June 19th funding will be received by Oct
- 6.2 Until now 9 requests came from staff of \$10000 total PAC funding requests is due from staff by Sep 27th
- 6.3 Oct meeting decision will be made how much will be allocated for each request

7. New Business

- 7.1 School cash donations / contributions request Winsome provided a report on how PAC fundraising was conducted last year, noting that parents were able to make donations in \$10 increments through School Cash online.
 - Motion is made by Tiffany for continuing PAC fundraising via school cash Stacey seconded all in favour approved
- 7.2 Staff Appreciation TBD at next meeting
- 7.3 Student presentations Motion moved by Andy for allowing student presentations for 5 10 minutes in PAC meetings for showing parents different programs offered by school Stacey seconded all on favor approved

 **** Action item Winsome will email Principal about the PAC decision for
 - **** Action item Winsome will email Principal about the PAC decision for student presentation and will also send request for school cash fundraising

7.4 Executive member Elections -

- 7.4.1 DPAC Rep Rehan Siddiqui put his name forward for DPAC rep position Rehan Siddiqui is appointed as DPAC rep by acclamation
- 7.4.2 Vice President Andy Capesinio put his name forward for Vice president position Andy Capesinio is appointed as Vice president by acclamation
- 7.4.3 Grade 9/10 Parent representative Nguyen Hoang and Mukoso Nwogu put their name forward for Grade 9/10 Representatives.



Nguyen Hoang and Mukoso Nwogu are appointed as Grade 9/ 10 Rep by acclamation

8. Meeting Adjourned: 8:20 pm

9. Next meeting: on Oct 10

10. 2024 – 2025 PAC meeting dates

- Oct 10
- Nov 14
- Jan 16
- Feb 6
- Apr 10
- May 8 AGM

Minutes presented by Kiran Harry		