

Semiahmoo Secondary School PAC Meeting

Tuesday May 4th 2021

Attendance: Erin K, Adele Y, Julia L., Sheilagh W, Coralee C, Carmen A, Otis H, Qingchun L., Claire Z., Lucky G., Kevin Z., Bal R.,

Location: Zoom meeting

- 1) *Welcome | Call to Order | Land Acknowledgement*: Meeting was called to order by Sheilagh W. (PAC President)
- 2) *Adoption of Agenda*: The agenda was accepted on a motion by Adele Y and seconded by Otis H
- 3) *Adoption of last Month's Minutes*: The meeting minutes were accepted by a motion by Adele Y and seconded by Carmen A.
- 4) *Financial Update*: Julia L. updated the status of financials with end of fiscal year June 30. See Financial statement attached.
Currently waiting for all final teacher submissions for funding requests
Suggested \$8000 to be used for Legacy gifts. Administration to be consulted for other options.
No payments outstanding. There will be one more report on expenses prior to school year end, which will include an update with new Sec-Treasurer.
Application for next year Gaming grant is June 15th, 2021
Q: In the past PAC received Rotary donation (5000). This year PAC did not receive.
Suggestion to investigate Rotary donation for next year.
- 5) *DPAC- update*: Adele Y shared information regarding DPAC.
 - General meeting is held every 4th Wednesday.
 - Open to any Surrey parent or Guardian.
 - Last general meeting: DPAC approved bursary and scholarships approved. Check PAC or DPAC website for information and minutes from all meetings.
 - BCC PAC AGM on May 4th. Visit website for more information.
 - DPAC is calling for nominations of Board Members.
- 6) *Principal update*: Mr. Ranu updated information for the current and future school year.
 - Currently there are 1425 students registered for 2021/22 school year. School is staffed for 1300 Challenges: portables 12 staff leaving, turnovers, staff hiring.
 - End of the school year Band concert upcoming, watch for dates.
 - Grad plans: Will be held at Peace Portal Church. School will provide swag bags. There is a photo booth, opportunity for some parents outside at site and lawn signs through Artona.
 - Next Academic year (2021/22): Planning for next year is in process. Changes will hopefully include quarters for first semester and possibly a bell schedule adapted to 8:30 to 2: 37 or early release Fridays.
 - Cohorts may be required or possibly not depending on Fraser Health Recommendations.
 - Branding update: Semiahmoo Band met with school team to discuss updating branding and use of language/images most appropriate to reflect cultural appropriateness.
Suggestion for further: Semiahmoo Thunderbirds. Abbreviating to Semi is not respectful

to the Semiahmoo Band, request to keep full name when using “Semiahmoo”. Further steps will be co-creating the school mascot to include the traditional and cultural and school visions. Traditional language will also be included

- Sports teams. Hoping teams will start next year to return to normal.

7) *New Business*: Voting new PAC Executive:

Call for nominations: All parents voting members. Any parent can nominate:

- Nomination for PAC Chair: Erin Kendall made a motion to nominate Otis Hiltz as PAC Chair. YES: 6 . Motion carried
- Adele Yu nominated Lucky Gill-Chattha for PAC Vice chair YES: 9. Motion carried.
- Adele Yu nominated Qingchun Lu for Treasurer Lu YES= 9
- Jas Sidu nominated for Secretary. Motion carried.
- DPAC – Adele Y will continue as DPAC representative.
- Adele shared about Reconciliation workshop provided by DPAC

8) *Final business*:

- Meeting to review final requests from teachers/students
- June 15th Budget review and approval/voting

9) *Adjournment*: Sheilagh W adjourned meeting @ 8:00 pm