**Semiahmoo Secondary**

**PAC Meeting Minutes**

**November 29, 2021**

**Present:** Otis H

 Adele Y

 Jas S

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**Location:** School Library

**Guests:** Robert Dewinetz (Vice- Principal)

**Parents in Attendance**: See sign-in sheet

1. WELCOME
* Otis called the meeting to order at 7:06 PM
* Otis welcomed the parents in attendance and the families attending via Zoom
1. ADOPTION OF AGENDA
* The agenda was accepted on a motion by Erin
1. ADOPTION AND APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES
* Adoption and approval of September 29th meeting minutes. The meeting minutes were accepted by a motion by Jas and seconded by Adele
1. VICE- PRINCIPAL’S REPORT- Robert Dewinetz
* Proud of cross country team who won several banners
* Senior girls off to Nanaimo for provincials
* The band performance was stellar and the students did a great job
* Basketball season has started with 10 teams at the school right now
* The process to find a new school logo is almost finished
* The Winter concert is on Dec.15th and Dec.16th is locker clean out. The school will be doing a Covid friendly pancake breakfast on the 17th
* Course selection is getting prepared for next year. Students should make decisions after careful consideration because teachers are hired based on the courses students choose.
* There’s been hiccups with the phone system and with district outages the phones weren’t working. The school appreciates everyone’s patience, and if it’s important families should email the school because it is checked regularly
* Report cards are out on MyEd
* Universal supports are the focus right now to ensure that all students have equitable access and support
* Parents will receive detailed information about all the upcoming courses so they can help students make informed decisions
1. TREASURER’S REPORT-Lui
* There is $60,000.00 in the Gaming Account and there will be a transfer of $3900.00 to the new Grandview School as discussed in the previous meeting
* In the General Account there is $8450.00
* The Gaming Account and the General Account are different because the Gaming Account is money from BC Gaming and there are guidelines about how the money can be used.
* The PAC is not incorporated which makes it difficult to change signing authorities every time the PAC executive group changes. There has been some conversation and research into incorporating the PAC to become a legal entity to streamline the signing process. There was some feedback at the meeting that incorporating PAC can be very expensive and time consuming as a tax return would have to be done every year. Parents are encouraged to contact PAC if they have any feedback on this issue
1. DPAC REPORT-Adele
* DPAC meetings are held the 4th Wednesday every month
* In the past two months DPAC has discussed PAC constitution bylaw changes including procedures
* DPAC also discussed procedures on how to run a PAC meeting
* DPAC also reviewed the school plan calendars for the next 3 years and allowed parents the opportunity to give their feedback
* DPAC also explained how Pro d days started and what it looks like for teachers
1. NEW BUSINESS
* No new business
1. WORKSHOP
* Christy de Bulnes and Michelle Robertson presented a workshop on how to support the emotional well-being of students and offered suggestions and feedback on how to help students plan for post-secondary schools
1. ADJOURNMENT
* Otis adjourned the meeting at 8:08 pm