

Gladstone Secondary

Parent Advisory Committee

PAC Meeting – Tuesday September 17, 2019 @ 6:30pm

Present:

Chris Parker	Principal
Krista Bones	PAC Chair, Parent
Amy Cheung	PAC Treasurer, Parent
Vin Dhaliwal	PAC Secretary, Parent
Richard Bong Lay	Parent
Venus Bong Lay	Parent
Jnana Lavarias	Parent
Dinh Chung Pham	Parent
Matthew Lam	Parent
Enly Jetuma	Parent
Adele Nsimire	Parent
Jecva Delraj	Parent
Ernesto Sanchez	Parent

Absent:

Teacher Representative – replacement for Roxanne Bean to be determined
Student Council

Welcome

Welcomed everyone to the PAC meeting. Sign-up sheet was passed around. Meeting started at 6:31pm.

Principal's Report

Mr. Chris Parker, Principal, provided the following update:

- Welcome Parents, especially new Parents
- Provided an overview of Gladstone and the school website
- Next Monday is Clubs Day in the main hallway
 - No limit on how many clubs you can join and there are no tryouts for clubs
- School magazine on the school website is by the Graphics teacher
- Athletics underway for volleyball and soccer
 - Sports teams require tryouts
- Provided overview of the school programs: robotics, music, dance and wide variety of other programs for new Parents
- Tuesdays and Thursdays the Skills Centre on the 2nd floor is open until 4:30pm but time varies
 - Math is on Mondays and Wednesdays in the Skills Centre
- Gym is open every day for students to use

- ☐ Breakfast assemblies underway
 - student orientations and to meet school personnel
- ☐ ACT days
 - 10am school start time
 - 10 ACT days per school year (ie: 1 per month)
 - School is open and students can come but class starts at 10am
 - This is an Active Collaborative Day
- ☐ End of September 2019 is Terry Fox Run which is done around Trout Lake
- ☐ Orange Shirt Day
 - School will give out orange wrist bands
 - In recognition of reconciliation of Indigenous Peoples
- ☐ “School at a Glance” information provided as additional information on what happens at the school
- ☐ Grade 8 mixer will be after school on Sep.19/19
- ☐ Zero impact on school from Teacher collective agreement expiry
- ☐ For general education, Nurse onsite once a week and a Doctor is onsite once a month
- ☐ Grade 8 student council elections take place on Sep.24th during their breakfast assembly
- ☐ T-Shirt design contest is underway and the deadline is Sep.22nd midnight

Treasurer’s Report

Amy Cheung, PAC Treasurer, provided an update on the GSC PAC Bank Account balances as at Aug.31/19 at Vancity Credit Union.

- ☐ \$8,330.31 total available in the Vancity Gaming account
- ☐ \$833.31 total available in the Vancity General account

With the following notes:

- ☐ Chq# 10 for \$17.88 still outstanding for teacher’s breakfast
- ☐ Gaming grant in progress, should receive funds month end
- ☐ Grant will credit the Vancity account, HSBC accounts have both been closed
- ☐ Signing Officers for the Vancity accounts have been updated

PAC Chair’s Report

Krista Bones, PAC Chair already provided the following update:

- ☐ Starting the Mailchimp mailing list fresh
- ☐ If there is a common interest we can have a Vancouver Coastal Health subject matter expert speak at a PAC meeting on Vaping.
- ☐ Discussion on the use of cell phones and parameters around the use of cell phones at home
- ☐ PAC Executive to set a date for grant review
- ☐ Interim report cards out Oct.22nd
 - PAC to discuss if we want and are able to offer MyEd tutorial/teaching night for Parents

Next PAC Meeting

Next PAC meeting will be held on Wednesday, October 16, 2019 at 6:30pm.
Meeting adjourned at 7:32 pm

Submitted by:
Vin Dhaliwal, PAC Secretary