

Eric Hamber Secondary School Parent Advisory Council (PAC)

PAC Meeting Minutes May 14, 2019
7:05 pm
Eric Hamber Staff Room

PAC EXECUTIVES:

- Co-Chair: Stephanie Yada
- Co-Chair: Michelle Robinson
- Treasurer: Donna Chao
- Secretary: Stephanie Leung (Absent)
- Acting Secretary: Michelle Robinson

Parents in attendance: Ingrid Teo, Cheryl Pfeiffer, Susanna Ng, Nicholas Chernen, Leslie Louie, Susanna Yan, Jodi Martin, Vik Khanna, Colleen Wong

Marea Jensen, Principal

Agenda Item	Discussion
1. Call to order	Meeting commenced 7:05pm
2. Welcome / Agenda - Stephanie Yada	<p>Welcome parents to PAC meeting</p> <p><u>Minutes</u></p> <p>Motion to approve Agenda / Minutes from April 16, 2019. Motion by Donna Chao and second by Susanna Ng. All in favour, motion carried.</p>
3. Treasurer's report – Donna Chao	<p>Filed gaming application for next year. Year-end is June 30, and report will be done in September.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Funds at end of April \$27,000, spent in Gaming about \$5000 in April, mostly for athletic officials, dance lessons for Spanish class \$1100, Math competitions \$200. Still outstanding for gaming about \$13000. • Biology club wants \$75 for owl pellets, Motioned by Donna and 2nd by Susanna, all in favour. • Received \$270 from Stong's rebates. • Spring planters funds from Munchalunch \$1600 with \$1000 for expenses, net \$700. • Special application from Reach for the Top asked for funding, 6 students goes to the nationals \$200/each, paid out of school account. Executives made decision for funding. • PAC approved Counselling dept. \$50 for suicide talk to booked and prepaid for next year

4. Principal's report – Marea Jensen

- Gr 12 – Prom on Thursday, Grad on June 4th at the Orpheum.
- Fine Arts celebrations – dance, band, strings
- Year-end activities tomorrow – Gr.8 doing report on self-assessment letter, reflect on core competencies. 2nd year doing this. Have asked current Gr.9 to go over their Gr.8 letters. Parents/staff/retired staff will come together to help share letter with students in 5 mins sessions. Ask to go into more depth
- Outdoor track meet on Thursday
- Stacy Machearn – First Nations studies 12 class. Has 5th annual indigenous awareness assembly coming up.
- Many students heading to Halifax for National Skills Competition
- Collecting library books and returning textbooks heading towards end of June
- Ministry of Education – Gr 8 reflect on their learning in career education curriculum – Edna James will bring in 25 employers and have Gr 8s rotate through, so that they can grow awareness in career choices, skills required.
- Carfreenival on June 14th, students already received permits from city to closed off Willow to traffic.
- Yearbook distributions –
- Gr 10 taking numeracy assessments
- Last year for Gr 12 writing English 12 exam
- Nicholas Chernen – Gr 11 son, who was victim of hate crime RE: List incident.. Participated restorative justice process as means of moving forward positively. Questions asked to Marea but not answered. Concerned no awareness about the restorative process. Mentioned on phone/letters not to have kids expelled.
- Marea Jensen-There was a process but asked that it was confidential process and that the discipline is a private process. A complex situation to try and find and positive way to move forward. Not able to speak on the confidential pieces on process. Community needs to know the process and need to know positive outcome. Accountability and restitution. More information should be shared. Rene Hawk, District mentor– still brainstorm process. Student forum held on how to move forward. Language use. Loosely constructed to see how students be peer leaders. Hurtful words. Supportive way. Peer-to-peer on how to address hurtful words. Staff debrief – supporting students. March 5th incident happened. Decision students had privilege to return to school. Students back in 5 weeks. No information that students not comfortable after return. Restorative process, further support last week and contacted parents involved. Support Gr.12 to successful completion from K-12. Try to balance grad. And be sensitive to each child's feelings. Checking in on junior. Will continue support into fall. Director of instructions – decision not to do a formal communication home. Will follow up with district Pedro de Silva that parents still communication. Perhaps to have Pedro be at PAC meeting.
- Leslie Louie - Last PAC meeting, asked for closure need to be proactive but need as community to know how to move forward. What can be learnt from this. Need some sort of action.
- Susanna Yan – Need of communication and transparency.
- Marea Jensen- District counsellors were brought in. Still a healing process. Teachers read letter sent home on Mar 7th. Vancouver Police department. Looked at hate crime – intent to harm or to kill. High level update requested

	<p>from parents. Erase bullying strategy presented to Gr8 & 9.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Vik – Seismic updates: Duty for parents/students to know truth. – VPO signed off on NLC on PDR in May 2018, June 2018 MoE announced \$79.2 million on upgrade at that point included NLC. July 26, 2018 MoE sends funding letter to school district NLC must be used for daycare. Later City of Vancouver involved but amount unknown. Where is our NLC. But now funds are going to escalations. Vik requested to talk to staff / students about the truth of the project. At this time, school is working with parents through representation through SAG. Terry Stanway not want staff to have false hope. Not want staff to advocate. Ask to stop loop cycle – VSB to state the facts so that public know the daycare is at the expense of K-12 learning. Public consultation on daycare at high school. Back to Ministry for review on overage. George Heyman and Michael Lee are working together as both constituencies are affected. They both want same thing and agree. Heyman wants meeting with lots of parents. Michael Lee has met with Flemings. VSB should stop being willful escape-goat. Burnaby North – MoE using as example of success
<p>5. DPAC representative report / Spring fundraiser - Leslie Louie</p>	<p>DPAC – minutes posted on website – facilities planning meeting talked about budget</p> <p>Fundraiser – planters / delivery dates confirmed Jun 12th. Pick up on Jun 12th afternoon and 13th morning. Notice to go out tomorrow.</p>
<p>6. Eric Hamber Music Society / Susanna Yan/Jodi Martin</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Permission forms for CASL forms for September package so that the society can reach out. - All of music programs coming together Strings/Band/Choir. Put together a better form for fundraising. So that music programs are supported. Hamber has large music programs. Society in planning stages, and incorporation as a non-profit. -Inclusive. Want all kids access to music. Provide outlet so that there's instruments for kids that may not be able to afford it. - Communicate through email so that parents can be able to participate in the society and be involved. - Next year the music department want to go to the Pacific Basin Music Festival tour Honolulu during Spring Break. - All-access pass can be bought by family not in program - Partnerships will help, rental groups? - Looking for parent volunteers and new executives need in the society. - Building togetherness.

<p>7. Chair's report - Stephanie Yada</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Last meeting of the year. • PAC in need of volunteers: Gaming funds allocation and distributions 2 fundraisers a year DPAC representative Teacher appreciation luncheon Music Society fundraising in large amounts • We need more help. • Other committees – Seismic Advisory Group / Lu'ma • Will continue to follow up with Marea on seismic updates during the summer
<p>8. Adjournment</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Meeting adjourned 8:59pm
<p>9. Next PAC Meeting AGM</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • September 10, 2019 • http://hamberpac.ca/calendar/