



# Maple Ridge Secondary School

## Parent Advisory Council (PAC) Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, February 20<sup>th</sup>, 2019 7:00pm

### **Attendance:**

Pam Bagnall (President), Susan Coumont (Treasurer), Dana Hill (Co-Treasurer), Juliette Gordon (DPAC Rep), Kim Dumore, Lyn Killick, Amy Ma (Secretary), Trevor Connor (Principal), Kenneth Headley (Vice Principal), Cathryn Blanco (Vice Principal)

**Minutes from January 16<sup>th</sup>, 2019 were reviewed and passed.**

### **Principal's Report:**

- Grade 8 registration finished for 192 students, 4 spots left.
- Student led conferences went well, kids feel calm with the new reporting system. Art gallery was amazing and Choir performance was fantastic.
- Groups from UVIC and Fraser Health will come to talk about Vaping Pilot program. It's a trial program and a dialogue to the students about treating people respectfully, related assembly next week.
- Guest speaker coming on Apr. 24<sup>th</sup> to talk to Grade 12 about debts & credit card. We may push to Grade 11 and more grades next year.
- On May 23<sup>rd</sup> ICBC will come to talk to Grade 12 about safe driving. Parent night for financial topic at Thomas Haney also on May 23<sup>rd</sup>.
- Parent information night for vaping and marijuana is underway.
- Mental health presentation for parent with Q&A will be on next PAC meeting on Apr. 17<sup>th</sup>, 2019.
- Police force presentation about Black History in Surrey on March 6<sup>th</sup>.

- Grads Transition Presentations on Apr. 11<sup>th</sup>.
- Multi-cultural week starting on March 4<sup>th</sup>.

### **DPAC Updates:**

- Last DPAC meeting was about grade 8 registration – you'll be going to attachment school.
- DPAC meeting tomorrow night about bylaws and constitutions.

### **Treasurer's Report:**

Review and allocate funds:

- Funds report will be Sent to Principal.
- A Thank you card from book review club for the funds they received.

### **Concerns:**

- Assessment vs. Report Card: less personal part, more like cut & paste; Parents know exactly where the problem is with the percentage.
- Students should have enough feedbacks and time to improve before reporting period.
- Parents do not lean on the marks; the test can be easy or hard. Number doesn't really mean everything.
- Assessment should be formatted and thoroughly.
- The Project is based on learning & functioning, group work, and individual work. Let the students learn the process is most important such as working with others and collaboration skills etc., training them to be adults.

**Next Meeting: April 17<sup>th</sup>, 2019 @ 6:30pm**

Meeting adjourned at 7:55pm.