

Maple Ridge Secondary PAC Meeting Minutes

September 26, 2018

Attendance: Pam Bagnall, Susan Coumont, Lyn Killick, Damali Adomi, Amy Ma, Juliette Gordon, Dana Hill, Leslie Higginson, Trevor Connor, Kenneth Headley

Minutes from May 2018 were reviewed and passed.

Principals/ Vice Principal Report:

- New Vice Principal Mrs. Cathryn Blanco joined us this year with a counselling background.
- Lots of young new teachers with lots of energy.
- Staff is very positive and excited to start the year.
- Lots of new learning techniques in classrooms - math boards
- Woodwork shop has new rules-half the shop is in working order
- Rough start in September as 4 staff and 50 students were away for a few weeks due to a measles scare. Parents were notified immediately and Fraser Health set up a clinic at the school for those needing vaccination updates.
- Grade 8 night was great and had a ton of parents eager to learn about MRSS.
- Explanation of when and what flex time is at the school.
- Lots of sports starting up - we hosted field hockey for the first time since new field ~ Karina LeBlanc Field is open.
- Police presence at the school as a person wandered in in a confused state. Staff and police handled it very well and the students were not affected by it.

DPAC Updates:

- This years focus ~ Collaboration-PAC's working together.
- Had a transperson speaker come to speak about SOGI 123 and he voiced he didn't like it. Felt it targeted vulnerable kids-should be discouraged to go down this path.
- Next meeting they will be discussing PAC 101 on October 18 at 7pm at Fairview Elementary School. They meet every 3rd Thursday of each month.

Treasurers Report:

- We have \$3600 + \$500 PST rebate = \$4100 in the bank.
- At this time we do not know how much gaming funds we will receive.
- Susan will apply for the BCCPAC membership which is approx. \$75. This is needed so students have the ability to apply for scholarships.

Executive Elections:

Chair ~ Pam Bagnall

Treasurer ~ Susan Coumont & Dana Hill

Secretary ~ Amy Ma

October Meeting - Allocate funds

November Meeting - Vaping/Marijuana legalization

Next Meeting October 24 @ 7pm

Meeting adjourned.