



BURNSVIEW SECONDARY

École Secondaire | Secondary School

PAC 2023 – 2024 BurnsviewSchoolPAC@gmail.com

19 Sep 2023

MINUTES

Attendees: Jessica Jenson, Dianna DeBlaere, Melanie Bannister, Coleen MacEachern, Karen Parsons, Wendy-Ann McFarlane, Marke McFarlane, Rohit Arora, Renxia Che, Marie Claire Chamake, Jamie Jassal, Faith Gilbert, Tserenpurev Buyandelger, Fernando Gil, Jennifer Trebick, Maite Nungaray, Pardeep Mann, Angelo Aportadera, Felice Aportadera, Richa Arora, Aaron Akune, Bill Richards, Kimberly Hlina (Burnsview librarian)

AGENDA:

1. Welcome

Jessica, PAC Chair, opens meeting, introduces herself, gives acknowledgement:

Before we begin the meeting, I would like to acknowledge the traditional territory of the Tsawwassen and Musqueam First Nations and of all the Hun'qumi'num speaking people who have been stewards of this land since time immemorial. I would also like to offer my respect to all the Elders who have gone before us and to the Elders and First Nation people who are with us today.

Welcome – parents or caregivers are all PAC members, including Mr Akune, Principal, Mr Richards, VP, Ms Helena, librarian. We are much less involved than elementary PAC. No fundraising, no events, students should be doing that. We as a PAC provide funding to them. Melanie, the treasurer will explain how that works. Majority of the time is spent listening to Mr Akune and other community liaisons. The main part of our role is attributing monies to students for extracurricular activities or if there are opportunities to be involved in initiatives.

PAC meetings will be fully online except for the first meeting and final meeting of the year.

2. Adoption 19 Sep 2023 Agenda Moved: Diana; Seconded Fernando
3. Adoption of 25 May 2023 Minutes Moved: Jessica; Seconded Coleen

Monthly + AGM Reports

1. Principal's Message – Aaron Akune

He's new to the school. Beginning of week 3, everything Don Younger and Bill told him prior to the school year are gradually showing themselves. Number one thing has been incredibly positive. Staff has been incredibly welcoming and patient with Mr Akune. He's familiar with processes but every school has a slightly different way of doing things. Background – prior to being here, 4.5 years at NDRC and 4.5 years at Sands. VP experience in the district as well. Wants to know every child and that's his goal.

What we're trying to do is push out a lot of info through the newsletters and apps. Sensitive about parents and caregivers being bombarded with information but wants to get in the habit of doing the newsletter once a week on Fridays, giving families an opportunity to dialogue over the weekend. Want to over communicate vs miss something. Aims to feature kids to share things that are going on. Gives parents a window into what's going on at the school.

Assemblies were held for grade 8's and the rest of the grades over two days. There's a lot of info at the beginning of the year. They established safety guidelines, routines, and expectations to give students a sound understanding of what's expected. Little bit different for grade 8's and 12's clarified a few different expectations. First grad event on Tuesday, Sept 26th, boat cruise. Grad class 175 – 180, 140 are participating in the event. 3 buses, 10 – 15 teachers + admin. Looking forward to a positive evening.

Thursday night, Sept 21st is parent information night – coming in through a lens of being new. Provide basic information about the school, will be using the same deck that we use with the kids for expectations of students.

Orange Shirt Day – encouraging everyone to participate on Friday Sept 29. ILT shifting to end of the day, adding a few minutes, led by leadership 11 for a student assembly. We're hoping that if that's the last thing they do, it comes with some reflection during the weekend. Have been talking with staff that this should no longer be an "event". We don't want to just check a box, should be thinking about it on a daily basis. The 29th will be a leaping off point for the school to build on throughout the school year to reinforce the learning done throughout the year.

Mr Richards, VP speaks – reporting changes that are coming out through the ministry of education. Most affected is grade 9, proficiency scales have been used at Burnsvew for Grade 8 & 9 for 3 years. It will be a shift for new students. Different form of assessment. Opportunities for staff and students giving and receiving assessments. More formative type of assessments. Grade 10 – 12 will be getting grades.

Mr. Akune speaks again – Grade 8 & 9 are completely linear. Grade 10 most are on a linear schedule as well. Grade 11 & 12 are semestered. You will see different reports come out at slightly different times and will look slightly different. It's going to be a bit tricky. As parents/guardians – just be very attuned to the courses your children are taking. If there is any confusion, call or email admin.

Burnsvew head count sitting at 871 students. We are at capacity.

Fernando question – how big is BV compared to others. Of the 5 schools in the North – Seaquam 1500, ND 1350, BV, 871, Sands, low to mid 700's, Delview 650 – 700 students. Delta Secondary 1200, South Delta 1500

Kimberly Hlina speaks – teacher/librarian – 2nd year at BV. We are open for business, come in and take a visit, updating and upgrading. Would love to be more involved with PAC. Has a minimum of 35 kids in ILT and clubs use the space.

2. Treasurer's Report – Melanie Bannister

- see attached

Melanie speaks - this is her 5th year doing the treasurer job, and will be her last year. Can show anyone interested in taking the position on the ropes but is going to pressure Jen Trebick to do it if no takers. Takes about an hour a month. Main part of the job is applying for funds. All money comes from a gaming grant. It was applied for in the Spring, hasn't arrived yet. Last year was in the range of \$17000, then we put it out to the teachers to request funds for various extracurricular things – clubs, drama, robotics (can only be for out of school time activities). The Principal, VP, Jessica and treasurer then decide where money has gone in the past and where it could go this year and then it gets voted on usually in October. Fiscal year is October 1 – September 30 and then a report must be submitted to stay in good standing.

Reviews last years summary and how it's broken down.

Mr Akune speaks – there is information on the website about the various extracurricular clubs that exist but he is in the process of gathering updated info and will update the website. If there is something that isn't currently offered, have students come forward and let admin know and a new club could be created. A lot of the clubs are based on student interests and seek teacher sponsorship. Bhangra dance club, leadership club, board game club etc. There's also a lot of information about clubs in the morning announcements and posters around the school.

3. Delta District Parent Advisory Council (DPAC) Report – currently vacant

It entails going to a monthly meeting like this but the people there are reps from each school in the district and then submit a report at BV PAC meeting.

4. Canadian Parents for French (CPF) Report – currently vacant

Similar to above. Once a month, then report on it to BC PAC.

5. Delta North End Dry Grad Report – Dianna DeBlaere

- First meeting is 11 Oct at 7pm in the Delview library
- Looking for donations (financial or merchandise) for prizes
- Tickets will go on sale starting in March
- Volunteers for the actual event will be organized in April
- We strongly encourage parents to join the Dry Grad committee when their kids are in grade 8-11. We meet once a month at 7pm in the Delview library to discuss planning and preparation.

Meeting dates:

11 Oct 2023 - 08 Nov 2023 - 13 Dec 2023 - 10 Jan 2024 - 14 Feb 2024

13 Mar 2024 - 10 Apr 2024 - 24 Apr 2024 - 08 May 2024 - 22 May 2024

Question – how dry is dry grad? Very. They can't come in with anything, everything goes into safe bags and checked. There is security. Everyone will be bussed to the event and back (new this year) from the banquet. If someone consumes something before arriving, we can't control it, but we keep them safe and they have access to nothing else for the rest of the night. The event itself is a ton of fun.

6. PAC Secretary report – Coleen – no notes

7. PAC Vice Chair – vacant

8. PAC Chair report – Jessica Jenson:

This is Jessica's last year and needs a replacement. Doesn't take a ton of time. The little bit of transition that's needed can be done throughout the year

Old Business

1. 2023 AGM and executive positions

- a. DPAC – Karen Parsons, has a daughter in Grade 10 wants to be more involved. Diana makes a motion, 2nd Coleen. Show of hands for approval. Motion approved – unanimous
- b. CPF – Wendy-Ann McFarlane – 3 children – one in Grade 11, two in Grade 8 – wants to be more active. Motion Coleen, 2nd Karen Parsons. Show of hands for approval. Motion approved – unanimous
- c. PAC Vice-Chair – remains vacant

Pardeep Mann can step in to attend DPAC meetings as backup if there is a scheduling conflict

New Business

1. Burnsvew scholarship winners sent lovely thank you cards – available at meeting to view
2. Foster Caregivers reached out to connect with people to find a way to connect with people who may be interested in becoming foster families

Next meeting is October 24 – virtual

PAC email is bursnviewschoolPAC@gmail.com – if you need to get in touch with us, you can do it there or it's on the school website

2023/2024 Meeting Dates

24 Oct 2023 ~ 28 Nov 2023 ~ 23 Jan 2024 ~ 27 Feb 2024 ~ 23 Apr 2024 ~ 28 May 2024 (AGM)

Meeting adjourned at 8:16pm

**Burnsview Secondary School Parent Advisory Council
Monthly Treasurer's Report
Oct 1, 2022 to May 22, 2023**

Prepared by: Melanie Bannister
May 22, 2023

Statement of Revenue & Expenses

Cash on Hand September 30, 2022 \$ 19,259.97

Revenue	General Account	Gaming Account	
Total Revenue	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 19,259.97

Expenses

24-Oct-22	113G	BCCPAC (Annual Membership)	\$ 75.00	\$ -	
5-Jan-23	0175C	Delta North End Dry Grad		1,600.00	
24-Feb-23	0176C	Burnsview Sec - Budget Items		5,705.57	
5-May-23	0177C	Burnsview Sec - Budget Items		8,011.57	
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		Total Expenses	\$ 75.00	\$ 15,317.14	\$ 15,392.14

Cash as of May 22, 2023 \$ 3,867.83

Cash Flow

Cash in Bank

Gaming Account	\$ 11,845.21
General Account	\$ 34.19
Total	\$ 11,879.40

Outstanding Cheques:

0177C Burnsview Sec - Budget Items	\$ 8,011.57
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Cash Available for Use:	\$ 3,867.83

Note:

Cheques with "C" denotes Gaming (Casino) Account expense.
Cheques with a "G" denotes General Account expense.