**Garibaldi Senior Secondary Parent Advisory Committee**  
**APPROVED Minutes**  
*Wednesday May 13th, 2020*  
*7:00 pm Meeting via Zoom Video Conference*

In Attendance:  
**Executive Members: PAC Members:**  
Chair – Sandra Acutt   
Vice Chair – Lori Skinner   
Treasurer – Thea Skorbinski   
Secretary – Jodi Murphy   
DPAC Rep – Jodi Murphy **School Staff:** Principal – Ian Liversidge

**1. Welcome, Introductions and Call to Order** at 7:07 pm - Chairperson  
o Acknowledgment to the traditional, ancestral and unceded territory of the Katzie First Nations

• Motion made to amend Agenda to remove elections from tonight to September 16th, 2020.  
**Moved/Seconded**  
THAT the Agenda for May be amended to postpone elections.  
**CARRIED**  
  
• Approval of Minutes

**Moved/Seconded**  
THAT the Minutes from the last meeting (March 11th, 2020) be adopted.  
**CARRIED**  
March’s minutes entered into the record.

**2. Principal’s Report – Ian Liversidge**  
**o Since March’s meeting:**

- Term 2 Report Card distribution (grade 10/11/12 not on MYP standards for report cards;

grade 8/9 MYP standards

- newsletter and two grad letters, regular updates on GSS website, several app messages

connected to website posts (information for COVID-19 and online learning is posted on

school website)

- cancellation of significant field trips (New York, Mexico, France, Spain Spring Break 2021);

every Grad and to-be field trip participants will be refunded costs

- cancellation of Literacy Week, field trips to Playland (Physics/SC/ SPED), etc.

- managed locker access (to be cleaned out for the summer)

- 2020 – 2021 planning as ‘normal’

• grade 7 Intake Transition process occurring as ‘normal’

~ 190+ grade 8s (26% - 27% on IEPs)

~ 140ish Grads

~ International Student decline from approximately 105 to approximately 35;

only International Students remaining in Canada at this time are counted

(has a profound effect on 2020 – 2021 staffing)

**Pandemic Related ‘events’**

- Guiding Principles from the Ministry:

1.  Health and Safety

2.  Provide services for families of ESW

3.  Support vulnerable students who may need special assistance

4.  Continuity of instruction

- GSS Staff supporting ESW sites

- student email addresses have all been confirmed

- student tracking

- Level 1 common data base - thanks Keith T.

- Admin Level non-connection

- Moms give us cell numbers :)

- regular counsellor check-ins

- maintenance of ‘regular’ team meetings

                - SPED

- connecting with students--*socially, emotionally & academically*

- weekly (or more) check-ins with our individual case management students

- having daily morning Zoom meetings – SPED, Counselling, ABED

- started to set up either 1:1 Zoom ‘1 hour support block’ twice per week or small group

Zoom tutorials

- schedule EAs (17) with their 1:1 students & classroom teachers, in addition to assigning

students in need of extra support (social-emotional &/or academic)

- helping students get comfortable using the different classroom teachers’ platforms

- helping students’ problem-solving technology/connection issues

                - Food Services – SRT, MRSS, GSS Staff in support

                                - use of Hardship Fund

               - daily Staff contacts

- Grad Events

- District common plans

                - Video Ceremony

                - full refunds (Grad Dinner, Dance and Dry Grad)

                -  Grad Parent/Dry Grad funds redirected to grad gifts

                                - Cap, Tassel, Lawn Sign, and a few surprises

**What is ahead:**

- potential staggered return in some format; no details at this time

- believe it will be a focus on ‘at risk students’ (potential non-graduating and those in need of

social/emotional support); cannot become a ‘hangout’ though

- reduced Platforms (Google, MS Team etc.)

- Flipped Platforms

- clarification from SD 42 Assessment Committee and ‘Continuation of Learning’

Ministry Document

**3. Treasurer’s Report – Thea Skorbinski**  
**Currently:**o Chequing (General) $4 417.14  
o Gaming $14 802.72

o looking into details regarding the two $500 PAC Bursaries (to contact Pauline Lemieux from

the Awards Committee)

o invoices coming from Eileen

o checking with Brenda Rubenuik (previous Treasurer) regarding when to apply for

Gaming Grant (possibly August)

**4. DPAC Report – Jodi Murphy**  
•  **May’s meeting used Zoom Video Conference on May 7th, 2020**

Medical Clinics During COVID-19 (Natalie Currie)--presenting on behalf of Ridge Meadows

Family Practice

• running a campaign called ‘The Doctor Will See You Now, Virtually’

• many people are not seeing their doctor right now due to COVID-19; doctors

concerned as don’t want patients postponing needed medical attention/advice

• all doctors are open and available to be seen virtually, including walk-in clinics

• pop-up clinics setup at the Golden Ears Medical Clinic on 203rd street (West Gate)

• for further information call 604-476-7890 or visit <https://www.divisionsbc.ca/ridge->

meadows/clinics or http://www.rmvirtualhealth.ca

**Superintendent’s Report (Sylvia Russell)**

• expecting further details in next coming weeks on in-person instruction

• likely voluntary return to in-class instruction for Kindergarten to Grade 5 – 2 days on,

2 days off, 1 day virtual to allow for proper distancing (Grade 6 onwards virtual)

• students who have particular need for supports, students at risk of not graduating and

students with special needs would also be prioritized for early return to school

• school-by-school plans required as distancing is easier in some school buildings

• no official date set yet; please be patient and wait for the formal announcement

and approval from Dr. Bonnie Henry, Provincial Health Officer

• letter to parents will be provided once more details confirmed

• currently serving over 800 students meals from 2 school sites

• 646 technology devices distributed to students for remote/online learning

• 60 students at Alexander Robinson and Hammond Elementary (children of Essential

Services Workers)

• planning for normal start in September; largest Kindergarten class ever

• Transfer Policy gives first priority to siblings, then catchment, then non-catchment;

will be looking at wait lists in June

• International Education expected to decrease significantly due to COVID-19 and will

need to self-isolate for 14 days upon arrival (500 to 150)

• letter sent to Grade 12 students indicating that large graduation gatherings will not

take place; looking at alternative options

• expect students to have access to lockers, etc. at year end

**Trustees Report (Mike Murray)**

• thankful to be part of an organization as adaptable as School District 42 has been –

credit to all staff and thankful for the leadership of Sylvia as Superintendent

• thanks to parents for all you are doing to deal with the challenges

• thanks to PAC volunteers – set great example for what means to be school community • Budget process underway but has been difficult due to COVID-19 uncertainty

• COVID-19 and funding formula changes meant $2 million shortfall; covered by

contingency and adjustments (ie) reintroducing bus fees

• if circumstances change in International Education numbers, staffing to be re-visited

• 435 comments submitted on the Budget

**New Business**

• no likelihood of change to ban on gatherings over 50 people anytime soon

• plan for fall fundraising events to be impacted

• DPAC Zoom Pro License available for PACs if they want it, including technical

support/advice (can be used for AGM elections)

• Long Term Service Awards typically awarded during PAC Appreciation Dinner in May;

nominations by Tuesday May 26 (sd42dpac@gmail.com)--include brief note on

reasons/history for the nomination…to be shared with audience

**Next meeting is June 11th, 2020 at 7:00 pm via Zoom Video Conference**

•  **April’s meeting used Zoom Video Conference on April 9th, 2020**

**No Superintendent or Trustee report (not in attendance)**

**Old Business**

• BCCPAC Conference now via Zoom due to COVID-19; limited to Annual General

Meeting business only so attendance limited to 1-2 people per BCCPAC member

• Round 2 District Budget Feedback provided last week; Round 3 later this month—

contact Chris Sandve ([sandve@gmail.com](mailto:sandve@gmail.com)) with any input

• PAC Appreciation Dinner cancelled due to COVID-19

**New Business**

• For Tier 1 essential workers, that must work and can’t educate their children at home,

Programming being provided by the District with physical distancing measures

• options to conduct PAC AGMs during COVID-19 response measures

o one option is to agree as a PAC to postpone your general election and do an

election via Zoom’s poll feature to fill any vacancies, if required

o second option is to just leave things the way they are for now

o Yennadon PAC reported they conducted Executive Meeting last week through

Zoom and it worked well; advice is to have people who are comfortable

with the technology Chair the meeting even if they aren’t the Chair or

Vice Chair (the paid subscription version of Zoom has more features and is

recommended for running meetings effectively)

• question regarding whether there would be any issues if gaming funds are left unspent

this year due to COVID-19; DPAC will follow up to get this information

**Next meeting is May 7th, 2020 at 7:00 pm via Zoom Video Conference**

**5. Old Business** -- none

**6. New Business**

• Motion made to approve PAC Meeting dates for 2020/2021 school year as the following

~Wednesday, September 16th, 2020 (Elections for Executive positions) at 7:00 pm

~Wednesday, November 18th, 2020 at 7:00 pm

~Wednesday, January 13th, 2021 at 7:00 pm

~Wednesday, March 10th, 2021 at 7:00 pm

~Wednesday, May 12th, 2021 at 7:00 pm  
**Moved/Seconded**  
THAT the PAC Meeting dates for 2020/21 be those listed above.  
**CARRIED**  
   
▪ Meeting adjourned at 8:15 pm

***Next meeting:***  
***Wednesday September 16th, 2020 at 7:00 pm via Zoom Video Conference***