

Maple Ridge Secondary

Parent Advisory Council (PAC) Agenda

Wednesday, February 21, 7pm Called to Order: 7:0

In Attendance: Miranda, Adeline, Heather, Grant, Leah, Nikki

- 1) Welcome & Introductions
- 2) Agenda Approval: Heather, Adeline
- 3) Review of Old Minutes (Oct 2023): Heather, Adeline

4) Old Business:

- a) Trivia Night officially cancelled. \$25 for Big Feast, \$50 from Sportcheck, \$100 from Save-On, plus folding wagon from Canadian Tire. All items will need to be returned. PAC aim to get the Trivia Night organized in June to run it in October, ahead of other events and busy season.
- b) Vaping Education Sessions two classes held in Grade 8 PE classes, Alouette Addiction Services. There will be sessions with the older kids. Cheryl Schwartz (SD42) was looking into detectors that can be placed in the bathrooms. Kids can get free nicotine patches and gum from the pharmacy, can get a three month supply at no cost. One month supply at a time, can do it up to three months each year.

5) New Business:

a) AGM - May 22: next meeting regular meeting before AGM. Let us know if leaving your position so we can start recruiting.

6) Treasurer's Report:

- a) Gaming Account: deposit from Dec. dry grad, balance \$29,658.41 as of today.
- b) General Account: \$7,859.51, we will need to give back the Trivia Ticket e-transfers.

7) DPAC Report:

- a) Meeting is next week.
- b) New superintendent will be there. They may discuss accessibility survey, and transportation survey.

8) Administration Report:

- a) We are into course planning now for next year. Counsellors have met with kids, forms have gone home.
- b) Still struggling to fill auto, so we won't be offering it next year. We will try to bring a trades program into that space, in discussion with Steve Wiebe.
- c) Italy trip being planned for next Spring Break, 25 kids. Approx. \$5,200.
- d) Jeff A.D. Martin, motivational speaker from Toronto coming, for grades 11 and 12 only.
- e) D.O. Gibson is booked for May, rapper from Toronto. Presentation called Black Canadian 365, a history lesson in the form of rap.
- f) March Break is upcoming.
- g) Winter sports rapping up, Spring sports starting.
- h) Circus is booked.
- i) Senior grade 11 and 12, added a French Immersion Honours. Top 5 is gold, 5-10 is silver, 10-15 is bronze. We just started it this term.
- j) District French Immersion Principal, Jen Simon- doing some work on assessment practices.
- k) CPF, has funds accessible for french events at your school.
- I) Arts Umbrella offers events in both English and French.
- m) Friday, had a dance instructor come who worked with all the PE classes in afro-beat. She did a great job with the kids, talked about the history of afro-beat.
- n) We've signed up with the rotary tickets again, for girls/boys basketball. We ask everyone to sell tickets to raise funds. These funds will help towards to the scorecard.
- 9) Parent Voice:

a) nothing new.

Meeting Adjournment: 7:27pm

Next Meeting Apr 17, 2024 at 7pm. Location MRSS Cafeteria