

# Sardis Secondary School PAC Meeting Minutes

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October 10, 2017

## Members Present

Leigh Kreitner (PAC Secretary)  
Mohamed Rehmtulla  
Devin Elliot  
Nancy Howden  
Kathy Pearce (PAC Chair)  
Joanne Godfrey  
Andrea Stiller  
Tina Tisdale  
Clint & Gloria McCarty  
Joanna Kasper  
Sukaina Rehmtulla (DPAC Representative)  
Barb Kilbrai  
Carmen Tether  
Daena Van Agteren  
Christine Goodman  
Dan Heisler (Principal)

## 1. Welcome

- Nancy Howden, welcomed those present and completed the introductions of the room. Meeting called to order at 7:05pm.

## 2. Agenda

- **MOVED** by Leigh that the agenda be adopted as presented; 2<sup>nd</sup> Joanne. **CARRIED.**

## 3. **MOVED** by Leigh to **Accept the September, 2017 minutes.** 2nd by Christine. **CARRIED**

## Reports

### 4. Treasury Report – Nancy

- Balance as of October meeting is as follows
  - i. Gaming account - **\$16,064.87** (some money is still committed from last year. This year we will receive an additional \$24,580).
  - ii. Chequing account - **-\$4,617.71**

### 5. DPAC Report

- Assistant Superintendent, Rohan, attended the DPAC meeting and addressed staffing, student population etc.
- Reconfiguration committee has been set up.
- Child & Youth Committee is meeting monthly (Christine attended). They are trying to address at risk youth with substance issues. Christine reviewed their new website.
- All PACS are requested to have an item on the Agenda at every PAC meeting to address Reconfiguration. There will be parent info nights in Jan & Feb to review the transition model.
- French Immersion "rumors" were addressed regarding the program to move to CSS. It was reported it would stay on the South Side.
- Workshops for parents will be announced

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- Trustee liaisons have changed. They will attend PAC meetings upon request
- School operating budgets are available upon request by the PAC
- Reconfiguration committees within the school can be made up of parents and possibly students (Mr. Heisler confirmed SSS's is made up of department heads)
- BCCPAC has a survey out for parents of children with special needs - deadline is Oct 13

## 6. Principal's Report

- Synervoice and remind APP is now set up for 2017/2018 allowing information to email or phone out to all families. Also, you can sign up to receive text messages
- SSS will be providing traditional printed report cards for Term 1 & 2. You can also view on your MyEdBC Parent Portal on Nov 10th. Term 3 & 4 will only be available on the Parent Portal unless a paper copy is requested.
- Information to sign up to MyEd will be issued Oct 13 to 16th.
- Grad clothing is available for ordering. Orders go out on the first Friday of each month.
- Mr Barry Neufeld has been assigned to SSS as our School Board Trustee
- There is a new hiking club, Mountain Biking Club, Snowboard Club and Unite Club
- Sept Pro D Day - the focus was on the new curriculum, course panning and elective options for Grade 9 to 12. This work will continue on the next Pro D day, Nov 3
- Upcoming events:
  - **Oct 11 - Sardis Prom Fashion Show**
  - **Oct 19 - Great Shake Out: Emergency Preparedness**
  - **Oct 20 - Provincial Pro D Day**
  - **Oct 26 - Parent Teacher Interviews**
  - **Oct 27 - Early Dismissal**
  - **Nov 3 - School Based Pro D Day (Reconfig planning)**
  - **Nov 10 - Term 1 Marks available on MyEdBC Parent Portal**
  - **Nov 14 - Term 1 Report Cards issued**

## 7. New Business

- Nomination for PAC Chair and Vice Chair were received; Kathy Pearce was elected Chair and Daena Van Agteren elected Vice-Chair
- Gaming Committee was formed, meeting to take place Nov 6th at 4pm. The following people volunteered: Devin Elliot, Carmen Tether, Mohamed Rehmtulla, Daena Van Agteren, Nancy Howden, Tina Tisdale, Kathy Pearce.
- Teachers have until Oct 30 to apply for funding.
- Motion was made by Nancy to spend \$75.00 to renew our BCCPAC membership, 2nd Andrea, **CARRIED**
- Parents voiced various concerns over the proposed boundary changes. Mainly about French Immersion moving, transportation issues and concerns around existing students in the school. Dan talked about how Reconfiguration came about because of the curriculum changes and Grade nine's being too mature for middle school.
- there are currently 178 French Immersion students in SSS
- Dan spoke with Assistant superintendent to give feedback on how the parents feel and to convey his goal to keep French Immersion at Sardis and to serve the surrounding community schools.

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- Christine asked about organizing a student debate club to talk about community issues and so students could advocate on behalf of the student population. Mr. Heisler recommended finding a sponsor teacher.

**Meeting Adjourned 8:36pm. Next meeting is November 14, 2017**

**Leigh Kreitner**

SSS PAC Secretary