



Port Moody Secondary School
Parent Advisory Council – Meeting Minutes
Date: March 5, 2024

ATTENDANCE

Alicia Purvis	Chair
Miwa Aoki	Treasurer
Sonya Burdett	Secretary
Charles Yeh	DPAC
Jeremy Clark	Principal
Grace Liang (via zoom)	Vice Chair

REGRETS

n/a

1. Meeting called to Order at: 7:05pm

Land Acknowledgements:

“We acknowledge we are on the unceded traditional territory of the Kwikwetlem First Nation, which lies within the shared territories of the Tsleil-Waututh, Katzie Musqueam, Qayqayt, Squamish, and Sto’lo Nations”

Adoption of January 2024 meeting minutes:

Motion 1st: Alicia Motion 2nd: Sonya Motion passed.

2. Principal’s Report

- *Second semester start:* Was able to fill the extra teacher positions. Off to a good start.
- *Course selection for next year:* for the most part, almost finished. Next step is the administration to sort through. Do the best to offer first choices, but there are times second choices are used.
- *Enrollment pressure at the district level:* how this affects individual schools at the secondary level: For example, Surrey District has mandated ½ of their secondary schools to go to extended days. Our district is planning this as well, with the increase of enrollment. District has stated that high schools need to be able to increase their ability to take on more students by going to a 5 block schedule (extended days).
- *Bell schedule for next year:* Discussion is happening around having the IB program start earlier, however entire school to finish at the same time. Other times have been and still are being discussed. Extending the day longer can affect after school activities; students’ part-time jobs; athletics to list only a few. Ultimately looking for an uniform throughout and balance the start and end times.
- *Grade 12 events:* Winter Formal was very successful; approximately 200 students. Student council is looking to do a spring dance for grades 9-12.
- *Grade dinner and dance:* had the first assembly just last week. Grades 12 were told what is expected, ie pay off fees, complete courses, ticket sales etc. Event happening in June.

- *Commencement*: was also discussed, ensuring students gave height to ensure cap and gown was not a cap and skirt.
- *Port Moody's 50 year celebration May 29* : Open house event. Current students and families as well as past. There will be snacks and drinks (non alcoholic) and displays.

3. Treasure Update:

General \$679.24 After Grad \$101.60 Gaming Account \$25,765.55
PAC Donation: \$6,337.24 After Grad Donation: \$117.35
Grad Aftergrad: \$1,496.89 **TOTAL: \$32,997.98**

Large balance in the donation account. Discussion was had on how and where to place / spend it. Mr. Clark will speak with staff to see if they have some proposals.
Ideas that came up: Spring dance and Athletic dinner/celebration.

4. DPAC Report

Main issue was capacity issues; 1,200 new students.

See DPAC website for full meeting minute reports: <https://dpac43.ca/documents/meetings>

Next Meeting Date: April 2, 2024 at 7pm.

Meeting Adjourned: 8:18pm