Eric Hamber Secondary School Parent Advisory Council (PAC)

PAC Meeting Minutes April 5, 2017 7:00 pm Eric Hamber Staff Room

PAC EXECUTIVES:

• Chair: Nathan Wilkes - Absent

Vice Chair: Stephanie Yada
 Treasurer: Michelle Robinson
 Secretary: Stephanie Leung

Parents present: Sylvia Wong, Cheryl Pfeifer, Hila Russ, Heidemann, Nicki Glave, Norman Baldwin

Alex Grant, Principal, Ms. Thomson, Vice Principal, Treena Goolieff- Teachers rep

Agenda Item	Discussion
Call to order	Meeting commenced 7:02 pm
1. Welcome	Correction to minutes: Trina – teachers report - Build new school - change Lord
Agenda	Kitchener to Lord Robertson
/Minutes	
Stephanie Yada	Minutes: motion to approve by Cheryl and second by Sylvia. All in favour
2. VP Report – Ms. K. Thomson	 Code of Conduct Did not meet compliance for certain section. The board was asked to add to language to make compliance Reviewed the draft code of conduct – added sex and gender identity; last paragraph – added developmental A parent at the meeting asked about adding teacher' role in ensuring students success in first paragraph. Parent – suggestion – respectful language – reduce the swearing The Code of conduct is good starting place to address respectful language as it's an overview of many more specific codes Setting up Student forum in the spring to connect students and get a better picture of what the school environment is like.
	- Any suggestions to the code, email Ms. Thomson by end of next week.

3. Principals	Skills BC – Abbotsford
report – Alex	April 6 - Social media awareness by Jessy Miller
Grant	April 6 - spring foot lights
	Next week – nominations student council for next year
	After Easter – April 19
	Grad breakfast
	ICBC assembly for grade 11 – driving safety
	April 20 – lock down drill – Vancouver police
	April 21/24 – final block rotation – complete reverse
	April 26 – oratory competition – compete short speech
	April 28 – Day of mourning – awareness to young workers
	- David Bach – topic – ER preparedness in May for district earthquake drill
	 Reunification drill – to prepare for a major event. In the event the students are not able to go back into the building, how will parents find their child? May 4 at 2:30pm - Looking for 15 parents (volunteer) come to the command center at the school to do a mock drill. Parents will give their ID, find and collect their child. Interested grades 8,9,10 in particular. If parents interested in participating email, Dbach@vsb.bc.ca by April 18, name of parent, student and grade of student
	 Seismic upgrade – another engineering firm hired to validate the costing. No update, but it will most likely be the 85% option which means holding on to new wing opened in 2005 and construct everything else new to join the two. Time line: Board for approval, ministry of education, treasury to release money, hiring of the architect, one year design work, final costing attached for design and cost. It then goes back to the board for approval. 85% option would take about 3 years to completion. Ministry wont fund portables.
	- Budget proposal – April 6 th – Alex attending meeting. School board budget for next year will be made public
Teacher's	May 8 – simulate election process at Hamber for students to learn
Report	May 9 – provincial election – encourage everyone to vote and voice needs
Trina Goliath -	
teachers rep	The numbers tell the story pamphlet handed out. Pre-school to post-secondary –
	parents are paying more for:
	Child care fees Annual subsidies
	Annual subsidies Average debt for BC grads with Bach degree increased nearly 60%
	Post-secondary tuition increased 400 % since 2001.
4. Treasurer's	
report -	Book balance as at March 31, 2017

Michelle Robinson	Gaming A/C= \$14,807.13 General A/C= \$8,956.66 For Gaming A/C: 2016/17 commitments about \$12,000 bills yet to come.
	Motion to approve the Dragonboat team's request to use the surplus of PAC-approved gaming funds of \$502.87 that was previously approved to cover regatta fees, to buy paddles and other needed dragonboat equipment instead. Motion by Ira /Second – Sylvia – all in motion - Gaming grant application all done for next year
7. Adjournment	Meeting adjourned 8:11pm
8. Next PAC Meeting	 May 24, 2017 http://hamberpac.ca/calendar/