



Burnaby Mountain Secondary School

Parent Advisory Council Meeting Minutes

Monday, April 3, 2023 at 7:00pm

Attendees:

Lee Anne Kristmanson, Principal	Amy Girard	Lasya
Joe Dardano, Vice Principle	Dawn Murphy	Phillippe
Teresa Rossiello, Chair	Kari Hoskin	Karina (Student)
Siva Ramesh (Secretary)	Karina Andrada	
Gaurav (Jay) Kapadia, Treasurer	Kristin Schnider	
Marie Pudlas (Guest presenter)		

1. Welcome & Correspondence call to order at 7:00 pm

2. Minutes of September 2022 Council Meeting

Review, correct or adopt

Motion: To approve the minutes for February 2023 as presented.

Moved by Jay. No objections. MOTION CARRIED.

3. Student Council Update (Karina)

Talent show on April 13, 6pm, everyone is welcome. 13 acts lined up. Concession will be running.

Grade 12 spirit week next week.

Following week spirit week for everyone.

Student council election this month.

4. Treasurer's Report (Jay)

BMSS PAC - MAIN ACCOUNT ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT

BALANCE SHEET

	March 31, 2023	August 31, 2022
Assets		
Chequing Account	\$ 3,351.01	\$ 4,558.51
Expenses Paid in Advance	\$ -	\$ -
Accounts Receivable	\$ -	\$ -
Total Assets	\$ 3,351.01	\$ 4,558.51
Liabilities and Equity		
Accounts Payable	\$ -	\$ -
Operating Fund	\$ 3,351.01	\$ 4,558.51
Total Liabilities and Equity	\$ 3,351.01	\$ 4,558.51

BMSS PAC - GAMING ACCOUNT ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT

BALANCE SHEET

	<u>March 31, 2023</u>	<u>August 31, 2022</u>
Assets		
Chequing Account	22,550.11	\$7,143.49
Accounts Receivable	-	\$ -
Total Assets	<u>22,550.11</u>	<u>\$7,143.49</u>
Liabilities and Equity		
Accounts Payable	-	\$ -
Operating Fund	22,550.11	\$7,143.49
Total Liabilities and Equity	<u>22,550.11</u>	<u>\$ 7,143.49</u>

Motion: To approve the Treasurer's report as presented.

Moved by Jacquie. No objections. MOTION CARRIED.

5. Old/New Business

Landscape Architect Student (Marie Pudlas)

Marie is a BMSS Alumni, working on a project: Fostering Joy, Playscapes of Urban Teens Helping to build better spaces for the teenagers. Spoken to students and teachers. Interested in hearing from parents.

Potential interventions presented in a drawing. Marie can make graphics to include in grant applications.

E.g. changing the bike rack to picnic tablets.

What are your thoughts on the school grounds?

Please reach out: mcpudlas@gmail.com

It will good to have a covered bike rack.

6. Committee Reports

DPAC (Amy)

BCCPAC is having their annual AGM Saturday and Sunday May 6-7 and this will be preceded by a Parent Education Conference Friday May 5th. Details at:

<https://bccpac.bc.ca/index.php/events/conference-agm/registration>.

The BCCPAC AGM booklet:

https://bccpac.bc.ca/images/AGM/2023_AGM_Booklet.pdf

Proposed resolution are interesting, parents are welcome and encouraged to submit resolutions to the PAC. Feel free to look over this material and think of some for next year. We could start discussing resolutions in November and do the work to submit them in January 2024.

Access recordings from past BCCPAC Parent Education Conference Presentations:

<https://bccpac.bc.ca/index.php/resources>

Search for "BCCPAC Parent Education Conference Presentations".

Watch this space for the recordings from the May conference which will be released after the event.

The Minister of Education and Child Care, Rachna Singh will be presenting at the Parent Education Conference. Parents have an opportunity to submit their questions at:

<https://bccpac.bc.ca/index.php/events/conference-agm/questions>. Deadline: Wednesday, April 5th.

Food Programs:

The Federal 2023 Budget does not appear to have any additional funding to support school food programs, the 2023 Provincial Budget has committed sustained funding over the next three years.

BCCPAC Virtual Town Hall:

This Wednesday (April 5), BCCPAC will be hosting a Virtual Town Hall and the topic is the **Student & Family Affordability Fund** - PAC/DPAC experiences, input, challenges, successes and, most importantly, how have your PACs/DPACs been engaged in this initiative with your School/District. Registration MUST be completed in advance for access to the Zoom meeting and is open to BCCPAC Member PACs and DPACs - ONE representative please per member PAC or DPAC! DEADLINE for [Registration](#) is April 4th at 9am.

2023-2024 School District Budget Consultation:

April 11th meeting, 7pm, in-person only, hosted by the Burnaby DPAC. Tuesday, Burnaby Central Secondary Room A211 -Burnaby District Budget Consultation

The board will be meeting with and gathering information from employees, students, and partner groups. Members of the community are welcome to submit ideas and suggestions by email to budget@burnabyschools.ca, or in writing to the Board's Finance Committee at 4054 Norfolk Street, Burnaby, BC, V5G 0C3. **The deadline for submissions in writing is April 14, 2023.**

There will be a **special public budget meeting at 7:00pm on April 12, 2023 at the District Administration Office, 4054 Norfolk Street and via video conference.** If you would like to make a presentation or virtually attend this meeting, please register with the office of the Secretary-Treasurer by phone at 604.296.6900 (ext. 661004) or by email at budget@burnabyschools.ca by 1:00pm on April 11, 2023. This information can be found here <https://burnabyschools.ca/board/budgets-and-policies/budget/>

The School Board will present the final budget that they are planning to submit to the Ministry at the April 25 (Tuesday) School Board meeting.

Next DPAC Meeting:

All parents are welcome and encouraged to attend. They always start with an informative information session where parents can learn and ask questions. The next date is **April 17th, Monday, 7pm**, in-person at **Burnaby Central Secondary, Room A211**. The information session will be a presentation by district Secretary-Treasurer, Russell Horswill. Horswill will present the findings from of the long range facility planning.

Looking for a DPAC representatives at the next Committee selection in May
Laysa volunteer to be a DPAC representative.

Time Commitment: Attend PAC executive (30 minutes); General PAC (1 hour); DPAC meeting (2 hours) once a month or less frequently.

Parent Ed (Jacquie)

Sent out survey on what education opportunities parents wanted to see.

Thank you Lianne for sending the information out, 40 individuals responded.

Some of the questions need to be addressed by the school.

Top 4 topic of interest were:

1. How to best communicate with my child
2. How to navigate emergencies that happen at school
3. How to advocate for my child's education

4. Substance abuse and alcohol consumption - effects and data among teens

Others of interest were:

- Vaping use and effects (short term and long term - what is known) - signs of use
- Phone/ear bud use radiation concerns
- Child trafficking - vulnerable youth
- Computer/Online safety for teens – Whitehatter
- Mental Health Management & What to look for in your child (sleep issues, anxiety, depression, substance abuse, eating disorders, stress, and more)
- Dr. Ross Greene teachings (behavioural challenges)
- Cell Phone usage at school and in the classrooms - How is the school monitoring and managing this
- How to help children figure out what they would like to do after high school (different options, work, university, college, trade school, etc). Provide sessions at each grade level so they don't miss required classes
- Tolerance and acceptance of all others - Learning/experiencing life in other's shoes, understanding white privilege
- Vaping at school - Safety concerns for others (in washrooms & other areas). How is school addressing this.
- Scholarship education night – there is a presentation scheduled annually early in the school year.

Some of the topics of interest are covered by DPAC.

Will move forward to find suitable speakers based on the results.

Action: Leanne to send information to Jackie with potential presenters.

There were other comment not related to parent education in the survey. If you have any concerns or comments that you would like to address, please attend the PAC meeting and connect with the Principal and other parents.

Grad (Mr. Dardano)

Fund raising – on going

School leaving preparations on going.

Dinner dance preparations going well.

7. Principal's Report & Questions (Ms. Kristmanson)

In February, our Diversity Club collected donations of clothing and cash set up by the Turkish Consulate to support victims of the earthquake in Syria and Turkey.

- February 21 –24 we had Kindness week to coincide with Pink shirt day. Mountain (Kindness week):Tuesday: Pink lemonade pledge, Wednesday: Pink shirt day and Kindness Karaoke, Thursday: Love ball photo booth All week: online campaign with photos of people holding signs re: standing up against bullying and Pink shirts on doors with responses to different prompts around kindness in our school.

- In early March we had core competency chats with our Grade 8 –10 students. Students were in small groups with a teacher sharing a learning artifact highlighting their growth in one of the core competencies.

- After Spring Break we welcomed Mr. Joe Dardano as acting Vice Principal. Ms. McGinley has started her maternity leave.

- Mid semester report cards will posted online on April 17th .
- April 17 – 21 will be Capstone week where grade 12 students will be presenting their final Capstone project.
- April 20th grade 12's will elect their valedictorian.
- Monday, April 24th is a Professional Development day.
- April 25 – 28 are Long blocks to accommodate the Literacy and Numeracy Assessments.
- Summer School registration opens tomorrow at 10 am

Athletics:

BMSS Athletics Spring Update and winter wrap up:

Mountain had a wonderful winter season with Marley Jackson Winning the 64kg weight class at wrestling provincials.

Our Ski and Snowboard teams did extremely well, winning boys ski and girls snowboard banners at the local and zone levels. We qualified a team in every discipline and took a total of 18 athlete to Sun Peaks.

Our basketball teams did very well, with every team except Senior girls (who were eliminated in a tie break procedure) qualifying for local playoffs. On the boy side every team advanced to the zone level with the grade 9 boys moving on to the provincial wildcard tournament and the Junior boys placing 11th at the provincial championships.

The spring season is shaping up nicely with the following programs running:

- Track and Field
 - Volleyball
 - Grade 8 Boys
 - Grade 9 Boys
 - Junior and Senior Ultimate
 - Junior and Senior Badminton
 - Junior Girls Netball
 - Golf
 - Senior Girls Soccer
 - Tennis
 - Junior and Senior Boys Rugby
 - Senior Girls Rugby 7&39;s
 - Ice Hockey
 - Reintroducing Mountain Biking
- Should be a great Spring season.

Questions / Comments

Not able to click into the Principle's report on the minutes for the February meeting.

Action: Siva to update the website to include the Principle's report.

What emergency supplies are kept at BMSS?

There are some supplies. Not as extensive as some the elementary schools.

After an emergency students can wait at school till they are picked up, but some may choose to leave on their own.

8. Adjournment

The dates on the website are wrong,

Action: Siva to update the website.

Next Meeting AGM: Monday, May 1, 2023 – in person at the school library

Find us at: [PAC Website](#) | [Burnaby Mountain Secondary School \(burnabyschools.ca\)](#)