



Burnaby Mountain Secondary School

Parent Advisory Council Meeting Minutes

Monday, June 3, 2024 at 7:00pm

Attendees:

Dave Rawnsley (Principal)
Teresa Rossiello, (Chair)
Siva Ramesh (Secretary)
Gaurav (Jay) Kapadia, (Treasurer)
Jacquie Lane (Parent Ed)
Trinity Bissett (DPAC)
Connie Hosie (Member at large)
Ruchika Gupta (DPAC)
Beth
Fafa
Students:
Lucas Fong
Sol Park
Amity Dominelli

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

2. Minutes of May 2024 Council Meeting

Review, correct or adopt

Motion: To approve the minutes for February 2024 and October 2023 as presented.

Moved by Jay. All in favour. MOTION CARRIED.

3. Student Council Update

The students presidents were introduced: Sol Park and Amity Dominelli.

Thursday – BMSS carnival

Summer spirit week – last week, went well.

PAC wanted to thank Lucas and Caitlin for being strong leaders.

4. Treasurer's Report (Jay)

Main Operating Account

- Cash is Main account as at April 30, 2024 → is \$4,142
- In the month of May we received \$6,798 funds for a Raffle draw and we issued a cheque for \$4,285 to the winner. We are advised that more funds are expected to be received from the Raffle company.
- We issued a check for teacher's appreciation lunch of \$1426.

Gaming Account

- Cash in gaming account as of April 30, 2024, → is 25,166.
 - Two cheques were cashed in the Month of May
 - We have received reimbursement request 1 from the school of \$6,551 for school Wish list.

- We have received reimbursement request 2 from the school of \$3,404 for school Wish list.
- We will issue a payment of \$5000 for 10 scholarships from the funds held with the school PAC Account.
- We have received a request of \$12,121 for the 3rd and the final gaming request.
- We have issued 2 cheques to support 2 sports teams. One for Track team for \$600 and one for Ultimate team for \$1500.

Motion: To approve above financial report.

Moved by Siva. All in favour. MOTION CARRIED

5. Old/New Business

BMSS PAC Constitution (Connie Hosie)

This was last reviewed in 2013.

Connie Hosie and team had drawn up a draft with 13 resolutions of which 12 were approved at the last meeting. Resolution # 12 was presented for approved with the amendments.

Motion: To approve the amendment.

Moved by Ruchika. All in favour. MOTION CARRIED

6. Committee Reports

DPAC (Trinity Bissett and Ruchika Gupta)

May 27th – Dinner and speaker (Dr. MacNamara) It was awesome!

Approved minutes from April 9th and April 15th

AGM Elections...

Brentwood North... Harinder Parmar and Vivien Gomes

Cariboo Lougheed... Trinity Bissett and Hisham Mansour

Central West... Lauren Couture and Morten Rand-Hendriksen

Kingsway South... Madiha Nasim and Gaby Maioli

DPAC Updates: Reminder that PACS need to be welcome spaces - every parent/guardian is a member of their school PAC. It should not be a clique or exclusive group of friends.

Ad-Hoc Environmental Sustainability and Climate Action Committee – SD has now started one due to advocacy by Kate McMohan (Brentwood Park). She will act as current Rep. If anyone else is interested – there is space for a second Rep, especially from South Burnaby.

Official Community Plan- Harinder represented DPAC on May 4th. Feedback is still being received in many ways (in person at various events and/or through online survey). Please visit this website to contribute: <https://yourvoice.burnaby.ca/burnaby-2050-planning-our-city-together>.

Show and Tell - Sarah from Clinton noted that they recently updated their Library with new furniture by way of the Variety Children's Network Grant. It is a matching partnership Grant offering up to \$10 000 in matching funds. Took three years of fundraising and is now complete with new furniture delivered. See here for information: <https://www.variety.bc.ca/support/variety-school-grants>

Treasurer's Report – We closed down the old account, opened a new one and bought some new

cheques.

DPAC Website - will be up and running this coming year. Each PAC will get their own page with emails.

May 29 2024 SOGI Committee – Budget cuts – we lost our SOGI leads around the district: elementary and secondary ...but, we have 1 full time SOGI educator working with teachers. Pride month a lot of activities happening around the district. Maywood is having Community PRIDE event June 6th 4-7pm (supported by SD). We're planning for the Pride Parade in August!

May 31 2024 – Equity Scan Committee – Indigenous Student Success. We brainstormed what we have been doing well and what the barriers are so can help Indigenous kids improve their educational experience. ***What is Mountain doing for Indigenous History Month?**

Trinity's other committees and responsibilities:

- **DPAC Constitution and Bylaws Committee** – we're revising it.
- **DPAC Operations Manual** – I am writing one, our Executive will edit.
- **Social Media** – Facebook and X is being updated consistently now

June 4th – we will elect the Chair, Vice Chair, Treasurer, Secretary and Members at Large

Funding available for equipment that allows accessibility.

Action - Ruchika to send a list of equipment, Dave to look into it.

Parent Ed

Confirmed Scholarship parent education on October 16th at 7 pm, will be virtual, more details to come nearer the time.

Working on a mental health education session for February, Dr. Watson, a clinical psychologist. There is funds available to pay speaker.

Dry Grad (Siva)

The Dry Grad will be held at the Rec Room in Brentwood.

Raised over \$3,000 with the 50/50 Draw, grateful to the PAC for their support.

7. Principal's Report & Questions (Mr. Rawnsley)

Longest Theatre performance run with x 13 shows.

Burnaby dance festival – BMSS dance showcased.

Sprint music concert.

Hosted Hawaii Main Island school band – had some performances.

Pride flag raising ceremony.

Unified basketball and sports program for kids with disability senior leadership students helping with skill development and community building.

Alternate schedule on day of carnival.

June 11 – athletics banquet during the day, student recognition ceremony in the evening.

Larger number of students are being recognized this year as BMSS celebrates different way to recognizes the students.

June 24 – grade 7 students are "Mountain Lions" for the day.

June 26 – Grade 12 Dinner dance and Dry Grad

Working with Grade 12 students to have a positive finish to their school year.

Indigenous History month – work was done in individual classrooms. E.g., drum workshop for

indigenous students.

8. Adjournment

Dates Next Year's PAC meeting:

Date	Time	On-line / In-person
Monday, September 09, 2024	7:00 PM	In-person
Monday, October 07, 2024	7:00 PM	On-line
Monday, November 04, 2024	7:00 PM	In-person
Monday, February 03, 2025	7:00 PM	In-person
Monday, April 07, 2025	7:00 PM	On-line
Monday, May 05, 2025	7:00 PM	In-person AGM
Monday, June 02, 2025	7:00 PM	On-line

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