



Sardis Secondary School

SARDIS SECONDARY SCHOOL

PAC Minutes

November 18, 2024 Called to order by Laura Plant , Chair at 7:05 pm

In Attendance

Laura Plant (Chair), Julie Veer (Vice Chair), Allyson Hockin (Secretary), Erin Enns (DPAC), Amy Brosinski, Tai Weatherhead, Tanya Pedersen, Andrea Bleasdale and Lynnet Schramm (Principal)

Approval of Agenda and Minutes

- Land Acknowledgement and Introduction of parents present
- Tanya motions to adopt agenda, seconded by Amy
- Julie motions to adopt minutes of October meeting, second by Tai.

Treasurer's Report

- **Gaming Account** Balance at \$39,196.62
- **General Account** Balance at \$12,024.66 (Approved up to \$5000 for Student Initiative Fund)
- Julie to motion to approve using up to \$2500 from the General account to offset any gaming request overages, seconded by Amy. All in Favor
- Discussion of Gaming Grant. Gaming Grant Committee met to discuss and approve applications. See attachments. Amy to motion to approve Gaming Grant Committee's proposal of approvals as presented, second by Julie. All in Favor.

Principal's Report

Term 1 Reporting Information

- Marks were due by Nov 13th
- Term 1 Report Cards were made available on-line Friday on the Parent and Student MyEd Portal.
- Report cards were printed and sent home today
- Students' self reflections from term were done on Teams on our Careers day.

Term 1 Achievement and Attendance

- Attendance Rates: Students: average unexcused absences: 21% 2023/24, 22% 2022/23, 26% 2021/22)
- Sept: 16.7%, Oct 20%, Nov 20% so far
- Last year: Sept 16.8% absenteeism, Oct 32%....24% overall
- Course success rates 2.6% received an F, 2.1% received Emerging, 1.9% received an IE

Grade 9 Off Campus Privileges - Start to allow Grade 9s off campus tomorrow. Will email home and meet with them prior, going over expectations with students before lunch

Literacy Assessments

- First week of November grade 10 SS and 12 English students took part in the Provincial Fall Literacy Assessment. Students wrote either in the morning sitting or afternoon sitting and had up to 3 hours to complete the assessment.
- January Reporting & Assessment period will involve Science 10 students completing the Provincial Numeracy 10 Assessment.
- UBC is still the only University that uses the LIT 12 Assessment as an entrance requirement
- Continuing with our plan to assist in preparing grads for this assessment

Nov 13 Trips Meeting · Any teachers sponsoring a trip this year or next met with parents interested. Trip registration opens on Wednesday.

Black History Month and Anti-Racism Work

- Last year in December had Beth Applewhite join our staff meeting to begin work around Anti-Racism, o Beth Applewhite will hopefully return to continue work with staff
- Teyanah Parrotta led an initiative in February around Black History Month. Teyanah continues to work with admin to plan for this coming February and have Speaker Jeff D Martin.

Calendar Items:

2021-Nov-20 | Post Secondary BC Night at Sardis

2021-Dec 3-7 | School Musical Theatre Performances – The Comedy of Errors

2021-Dec -10 | Winter Music Concert

2021-Dec - 12 | Grad Auction and Dinner

2021-Dec 18 | Christmas Assembly

2021-Dec 21-Jan 5 | Christmas Break

DPAC Report (Erin, DPAC Rep)

Meeting Recap

- FAMILY SMART PRESENTATION

- Janine McMorran – Family Peer Support Worker from FamilySmart in Chilliwack. She is available to PAC's and schools for presentations. She can be reached at janine.mcmorran@familysmart.ca.

- ELECTION FOR TRUSTEE HEATHER MAAH

- Trustee Maah's is still a sitting School Board Trustee and is not obligated to resign from her Trustee role. Nothing changes until she sends a letter of resignation. When and if that happens is solely up to her discretion. If she does resign, a by-election will be held within 4 months which the school district is obligated to pay for.

- DATES OF UPCOMING MEETINGS and PRESENTATIONS

- November 21st, 2024 @ 7pm – Advocate Sue Robbins

- Your Silence Will Not Protect You – The Nuts and Bolts of Advocacy. Sue will share her story advocating for her son with Down Syndrome, talk about the various levels of advocacy in BC and share practical tips and how to survive the school system of IEP meetings, calls from the principal, and the struggle against exclusion online via Zoom - <https://sd33-ca.zoom.us/meeting/register/u5YpcOmtqTwrGNB-whULpuN60Wuw0BQchJNW>

- November 28th, 2024 @7pm – DPAC General Meeting ● In person at the School Board office and online via Zoom - <https://sd33-ca.zoom.us/meeting/register/u50odeyuqzwjE9HQJ-9GfWKYVL4an8wEsCfC>

- December 5th, 2024 @ 7:30pm – SafeTeen Violence Prevention ● Violence Prevention Presentation online via Zoom - See Facebook post for infographic and registration information.

New Business

- Student Initiative Fund Update: Committee will be meeting in January to discuss submissions. An information table will be set up at lunch on Thursday December 5. Deadline for student applications is January 10, 2025

Adjourned at 8:15pm

Next Meeting

January 20, 2025 at 7PM in the Library