

HUGH BOYD PARENT ADVISORY COUNCIL

MINUTES

21 February 2019
Thursday

Present: Jill T, Mr Johal, Pam V, Zarina & Mike G-S, Betsy T, Kushal S, Mietta A
Time started: 7:10 pm

- 1) Welcome and Introductions
- 2) Approval of Agenda - Jill approved, Betsy second
- 3) Approval of Minutes from 15 November 2018 - Kushal approved, Jill second
- 4) Correspondence
 - (a) Fundraising Information -

Western Direct Fundraising offers top quality products, many locally made in BC, for us to sell and earn profits from. Available dates:

 - 4-15 March (Spring Break)
 - 8-18 April (Easter fundraisers)
 - 29 Apr - 10 May (Mother's Day)

Canuck Place Cookie Day where students in BC are invited to bake and sell cookies in support of Canuck Place children and their communities. They provide us with the tools and recipes to try.

 - 28 February
 - Signing up automatically enters us into a draw to win a signed Vancouver Canucks' jersey
 - The top fundraising class from each district will win a pizza party, compliments of Panago pizza

Additional correspondence received by mail:

Purdy's Easter fundraising info
Developmental Disabilities Association Cash for Clothing
Thank you notes from students who received scholarships
Criterion fundraising
SOS technology Emergency Kits fundraising
Purdy's Christmas fundraising info
BC Teachers' Federation - sent 3 different brochures to distribute to staff
Also, same federation made a commitment to work with the
Aboriginal community - info to be sent to Linda McHolm, Aboriginal
Outreach teacher

*All fundraising info will be forwarded to the After Grad
committee for use next year.

- (b) RDPA Workshop Schedule:
 - 13 & 27 February @ 7pm School Board Public Mtgs in the Main Board room of the Richmond School Board Office

(c) Flyer re: Parents as Career Coaches

Learn to engage in productive discussions with your teen to discover their interests and skills and in assisting them in exploring career choices.

- 20 February 6-9pm at MacNeill Secondary

(d) Flyer re: Parent Information Sessions 4-5pm @ Rmd Brighthouse Library

- 7 March Getting Ready for Kindergarten
- 4 April Math Success
- 2 May Summer Learning Info Session

(e) * Something to think about for 2020

Flyer re: Richmond Neighbourhood Celebration Grant Program

Receive up to \$2500 in funding to throw together a neighbourhood picnic, BBQ, block party, family friendly movie night at the park & more.

- Event must take place between 1 April to 30 September 2019 (deadline for application is 15 January 2019)

5) Discussion: Hugh Boyd PAC Board spots available (2019-2020 spots)

Hugh Boyd PAC Board Execs - Are we all coming back next year? In order to have a PAC, at the very least, we need to have a Chair, Treasurer and Secretary to meet the requirements of a PAC and to be eligible for the Gaming Grant.

- Is there anyone interested in being involved?

[Jill T, Pam V, Zarina G-S have all committed to remain in the same positions for next year's PAC Exec team.](#)

[No one else has expressed interest at this time.](#)

6) Reports

(a) Treasurer - [no update](#)

(b) Principal - [attached below](#)

December & January

We had a number of outstanding events to close out 2018 and begin the new year. Mr. Naso's Winter Concert and Student Council's Breakfast with Santa were both very successful as we went into Winter Break.

For the first time in a number of years, we held a Winter Formal – great work by our grad committee and teacher sponsors, Mr. Chan and Ms. Balaciano. There is a great deal of positive spirit amongst this year's graduating class.

February

It's been a great start to 2019 as we look forward to spring and continue planning for the 2019-20 school year. We have visited our Grade 7 feeder school students and current Boyd students have been entering course selections. Our counsellors held grade assemblies in early February to review the program planning process with current students. As our timetable process is driven

by student selections, it is important for students and parents to consider post-secondary and graduation requirements as courses are selected for next year. If there are any questions, we encourage you to contact our counsellors, Ms. Babecoff-Kimhi and Ms. Jones, as well as our career advisor, Ms. Jones.

We started a pilot project – Personal Learning Time (PLT). The aim of PLT is for students to exercise self-direction and self-management in their learning, as well as to seek additional support to have more success in their courses. PLT is on specific Wednesdays until the end of the school year. We will be having surveys open to students, parents, and staff in early April regarding PLT to determine next steps and potential for next year.

February has been a busy month with basketball playoffs, pep rally organized by Student Council, Boyd Biennale, the Grade 10 Personal Project Exhibition, and Night of the Notables all happening.

In addition, we would like to recognize the outstanding efforts of all our Grade 10 students who put a great deal of time and energy into their MYP Personal Projects. This would not be possible without the work of our teacher sponsors. The Personal Project Exhibition is a fantastic opportunity to showcase their work to Grade 8s and 9s, students from our feeder schools, as well as our parent community.

Our GLOW club has been organizing activities to recognize Anti-Bullying Month, with February 27th marked as Pink Day to demonstrate our commitment to creating a safe, caring, respectful, and connected school community.

March

-Richmond Resilient Workshop – March 6th @ 6:30 pm

This workshop is designed for each community, with workshops that enable participants to build knowledge and awareness of risks and hazards, create basic family emergency plans to share with family and friends, learn about emergency notification systems, specifically Richmond BC Alert, and to develop neighbourhood community emergency responses maps and plans.

A reminder that **Term 2 Report Cards will be distributed on Thursday, March 14th**, just prior to our Spring Break.

(c) RDPA (Rmd District Parents Association) RDPA Agenda for 5 February meeting attached

- Is anyone interested in being our representative to attend the RDPA meetings? They are held once a month at the School Board office at 7811 Granville Ave. (boardroom)

[No one has expressed interest at this time.](#)

(d) After Grad

- Is anyone interested in taking on the position of After Grad Chair?

A lot of parents are interested in helping out with the After Grad arrangements but no one has expressed interest in being Chair.

7) Q&A:

Feedback from parents present:

My EdBC is not easy to navigate/not user-friendly.

Mr. J's response:

Send him a detailed email regarding parent challenges on the site.

8) Next meeting: Thursday, 11 April 2019 at 7 pm in the Hugh Boyd library

9) Adjournment: 7:45 pm

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