

**Hugh Boyd Secondary Parent Advisory Council  
General Meeting Minutes  
7pm October 15, 2020**

**Parents present:** Arvind Sharma, Arturo Yep, Jennifer Reilly, Nicol Hawthorne, Samatha Cheung, Joanne Penner, Jody Natsuhara, Nicole Titifanua, Jennifer Nielsen, and Charmaine Wong

**Administration present:** Rav Johal

- 1) Welcome and introductions
- 2) Approval of **Oct 15, 2020 Agenda:** Jennifer Nielsen and Jody Natsuhara
- 3) Approval of **May 21, 2020 Meeting Minutes:** Jennifer Nielsen and Samantha Cheung
- 4) Correspondence: none
- 5) Reports:

**Treasurer's Report**

- 1) Gaming Grant of \$12,240 was approved
- 2) 2 Student Scholarships are still outstanding
- 3) Outstanding items from last year wish list:

Department	Description	PAC Approved	Amount Spent	Remaining balance	Notes
Art	Mobile cart w/ paints, brushes, drawing and art supplies	\$315.00	\$313.43	\$1.57	
AfterGrad entertainment	Human wack-a-mole, velcro wall, inflatable twister, double shot basketball, Giant connect, dance dance revolution, home stretch, catch the light, tipsey, 12 knock down, blackjack table, roulette table, money wheel, carnival tent	\$2,950.00	\$2,640.44	\$309.56	\$2,640.44 Available for this year AfterGrad as Event was cancelled - Contact Vancouver PartyWorks - Kevin Tazumi
Drama	Lighting board, costumes, props, performance rights	\$1,000.00		\$1,000.00	

Kitchen/Cafeteria	Restock kitchen equipment which are used by all clubs	\$300.00		\$300.00	
Hydroponics	Reservoir tub, pumps, lights, seeds growing medium	\$1,000.00	\$975.38	\$24.62	
Sports/Athletics	Total Sports/Athletics	\$2,000.00	\$1,402.37	\$597.63	
PAC funds	Guest speakers for PAC and students, year-end event for students, staff, and recent alumni	\$500.00		\$500.00	
			Total Outstanding:	\$2,733.38	

## **Principal's Report**

We would like to thank parents who have stepped forward to take on executive positions with PAC and Aftergrad committees. Some of our established routines and events that we typically plan for will look different this year, so we appreciate the time and commitment to working with us.

The emphasis for the school through the first six weeks of the school year has been on supporting students as they return to school (many have not been in the building since before spring break) as well as establishing health and safety protocols. Students have been great with respect to following the guidelines that have been put in place (entering/exiting through specific doors, following directional arrows, wearing masks in common areas) and more importantly, being kind and respectful to one another. School does look and feel different from how it is under "normal" circumstances, but together we will continue to support one another as we navigate the school year. We very much appreciate the patience of our parent community as the school works out some updated operating procedures.

Our school structures are quite different, notably the quarterly system now in place. This does provide students the opportunity to focus on far fewer courses than what they would typically have in a linear system. However, the pacing is quick and classes are longer – this may present some challenges for students of all grades. We are halfway through Quarter 1 and parents will receive a progress report tomorrow. Liaising with teachers is different as we did not have our typical "Meet the Teacher" night or structured parent/teacher conferences. However, parents are encouraged to connect with teachers if there are concerns about a specific course to setup a phone call or virtual meeting.

Boyd's seismic upgrade and renovation is nearing completion. The library should be accessible for students next week – we are proud of how the school looks – brand new tech wing, updated hallways in the main block, partially upgraded library, new paint on the exterior of the school.

Slowly, some of our extra-curricular activities are resuming at lunch or after school. We recognize the importance of providing students with these activities. Extra-curriculars foster a great connection to school and we realize how difficult it has been for students at the end of last year and the beginning of this year to not have some of these opportunities. Health and safety protocols are very important and will be followed by staff who are sponsoring extra-curriculars. To date, the following clubs have received approval to start up: Student Council, Grad Committee, GLOW, First Responders, and Concert/Jazz Band rehearsals. Volleyball practices are likely to start in the couple of weeks for girls (Gr 8 – 12) and boys (Gr 10 – 12).

Coming up in November, we will be having our Remembrance Day event – it will not be our normal assembly, but a pre-recorded presentation to be viewed by classes on November 10. Additionally, we have Dancing Water Sandy coming in to work with 20 Indigenous students to create beaded medicine bags and share traditional knowledge and teachings.

### **RDPA/BCCPAC Report**

The district PAC meeting includes all the schools in the district and meets once every month at the School Board Office. The first meeting for this year was held on Oct 6, 2020. Most of the discussion was on how to support the distance learning program better. For more information you can check their RDPA/BCCPAC Facebook page. Also they have the capability to lend out their Zoom call license to parents with children in a school in the district, just email the RDPA/BCCPAC.

### **Dry Grad Report**

Dry Grad Meeting 7pm Tues Oct 20, 2020, it is a Zoom meeting so please email Nicol Hawthorne RSVP your attendance.  
[ejhawthorne@gmail.com](mailto:ejhawthorne@gmail.com)

Dry Grad donations of recyclables can be made at No. 2 Rd. and Blundell Recycle Depot, when you go in just let them know you want the money to go to the Hugh Boyd Dry Grad.

- 6) New business: none
- 7) Next meeting date: Thursday, Nov 19, 2020 @ 7 pm
- 8) Adjournment: 8:08pm

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