



## SEAQUAM PAC MEETING

**October 24th, 2022**

**Meeting start time: 6:35pm**

**In attendance:**

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| Natalie Dusanj   | Dawn Shortt    | Krista Barrett | Amanda Palubiski |
| Kat Maihara      | Carmen Caelian | Jane Geszler   | Mark Robinson    |
| Angela McGeachan | Lakhvir Brar   | Carlos Valadez | Sarta J          |

**Motion to accept minutes from last meeting:** approved

**Principal's Report - Mr. Robinson**

We would like to acknowledge the traditional territory of the Tsawwassen and Musqueam First Nations and all of the Coast Salish peoples who have been stewards of this land since time immemorial and on whose land we live, learn and play. We would also like to offer our respect to all the Elders who have gone before us, the indigenous people who are with us today and to all Canadians who are on the journey of Reconciliation. We offer gratitude to the Musqueam people who honour our school with the name, Seaquam, which in their language means sunshine.

- COVID case
    - We have not really noticed an uptick in cases. Students and staff are sick occasionally
  - Newsletter
    - Trying to keep staff, students and families up to date.
    - Emailed and posted on website
  - Terry Fox Run
    - Tuesday, Sept 28 – we raised over \$2000
  - Retakes Picture Day
    - October 7
  - Sports
    - Football – junior and senior
    - Volleyball – Boys and Girls – Grade 8, Juniors, Seniors
    - Swimming
    - Soccer – Senior boys
    - All in full swing.
  - Grad
    - Grad clothing is getting organized. To Grade Council with some logo designs
    - Grad Boat Cruise – 237 grads attended
    - Grade 12 parent night to talk about Grad, Graduations and Post Secondary
  - Cafeteria
    - Off and running, very popular
    - Offering some items for sale to staff on Fridays
    - Getting some catering business
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- Reporting
    - Interims posted on Oct 14
    - PTI – Nov 10 – more information coming soon to families
    - Mid Term report card – Nov 28
  - Clubs are up and running
    - Hoping to have an all clubs day in cafeteria
    - A bunch of new clubs – multicultural, board games, entrepreneurship
  - Staff Clothing
    - Putting together an order for staff
    - Using some money we got from the Trustees for staff appreciation
  - Homework club
    - 2 days a week
    - Things are going well and the number continues to grow
    - Hoping that PAC will support with some \$
  - English First Peoples 12
    - Field trip to Tsawwassen Mills mall to see the art work and have a tour from a TFN member
    - Field trip to the remnants of St. Mary's Residential school in Mission. Very powerful tour
  - Prime Minister elections
    - The winner is Ayesha A (11)
  - Canada's YRE competition (Canadian Young Reporters for the Environment)
    - Congratulations to Grade 10 students Caleb B, Isaiah G, and Adieel H-D. their video "[Earth's future](#)" was chosen by the Foundation for Environmental Education (FEE) to be featured at the film freeway festival.
  - Music – Squeak and Squawk
    - A musical performance in the theatre
    - Well attended
  - Financial Need – BC Government Student and Family affordability Grant
    - We have help some families so far with field trip money, sports teams, school fees, grad boat cruise, food, clothing, etc.
  - Literacy 12 assessment
    - November 3, all grade 12 have the day off from regular classes
  - Emergency Preparedness
    - Lockdown drill with the police present
    - Earthquake drill – did not evacuate due to poor air quality
  - Robotics Competition
    - We hosted schools this weekend and 45 teams
    - 2<sup>nd</sup> overall, amaze awards and 3<sup>rd</sup> in skills
  - Diwali
    - Students government sold food in café and we had music
    - Staff had a potluck meal in the staff room
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**Chair Report –Natalie Dusanj**

- We will be voting on gaming monies at our next meeting
- Grade 12 dry grad info to come soon
- Voted and approved in Dry Grad Treasurer - Krista Barrett
- Voted and approved for Kat Maihara, Vice Chair to be added to the dry grad bank account

**Treasurer's Report – Tom Legal**

- See attached report for numbers

**DPAC Report – Lakhvir Brar, DPAC Vice Chair**

- Just had an election - will be in transition with new members. New board being sworn in Nov 8th
- Waiting to find out who will be the rep for Seaquam
- Re: Truth & Reconciliation: There's a journey canoe that can be rented out
- Encouraging PAC to do the territory acknowledgement at the start of our meetings
- Jan 16th meeting will focus on mental health and support
- Attendance to our meetings can be online or in person (see website)
- Presentation from the ministry from Child Development – there is a shortage with foster families. If interested, go to [www.fosternow.ca](http://www.fosternow.ca)
- Parent Ed grants still available to future PAC meetings
- See minutes on the website

**Next Meeting: November 21st, 2022 at 6:30pm**

**Meeting Adjourned: 7:00pm**

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