David Thompson Secondary School PAC MEETING

September 21, 2021 • 7-8pm Online via Zoom

EXECUTIVE

Principal: Rick Lopez

Chair: Regina Prakash Singh

Vice-Chair: Manj Mand
Treasurer: Altan Uludag

Secretary: Shazmin Zahir Akbanie
Members at Large: Noor, Melody, Amy

GUESTS:

30 Parents attended the meeting

DRAFT MINUTES

1. Welcome Back

- 1.1. Welcome and Acknowledgement from Regina
- 1.2. Welcome and Acknowledgment from Mr. Rick Lopez, Principal
 - 1.2.1. Thanked Members and Volunteers
 - 1.2.2. Sept 7 All staff participated in Anti Racism in Service Day, therefore there was no school for students
 - 1.2.3. Staff and Students aware of Covid Protocols
 - 1.2.4. School Photos were taken in the first week and ID cards will be distributed soon
 - 1.2.5. Please verify and return school forms at your earliest
 - 1.2.6. Sept 24 is the first professional day and Sept 30 is the National Day of Truth and Reconciliation (No school on these days).
 - 1.2.7. School is going to follow a semester system; students will have FIT time every Tuesday and Thursday
 - 1.2.8. School assembly will be held through Microsoft Teams, Parents must make an appointment and not drop into the school
 - 1.2.9. School Counsellors by grade:

Tsui, S satsui@vsb.bc.ca Grade 10 & Gr 8 (U - Z)

Moy, R rmoy@vsb.bc.ca Grade 11 & Gr 8 (I - N)

Lopetrone, T tlopetrone@vsb.bc.ca Grade 12 & Gr 8 (A - H)

Dhaliwal, R rdhaliwal@vsb.bc.ca Grade 9 & Gr 8 (O - T)

2. Upcoming PAC Meetings

- 2.1. Dates: October 19, November 23, January 18, February 15, April 19, and May 17
- 2.2. Executive Positions parents had the opportunity to nominate parents and/or step up to be part of the positions listed below. All roles were explained and parents were able to discuss processes. A vote was conducted online during the meeting and 23/30 parents voted for the following people into these positions:
 - 2.2.1. PAC Chair Regina
 - 2.2.2. PAC Vice Chair Manj
 - 2.2.3. Treasurer Altan
 - 2.2.4. Secretary Shazmin
 - 2.2.5. Members at Large: Melony, Noor, and Amy

3. Financials

- 3.1.1. Gaming Funds are allocated to teachers to run programs for the kids, the teachers/students apply for the funds, the PAC Executives review the applications and vote/decide how the funds get distributed
- 3.1.2. Funds also get allocated for team sports (but due to Covid this has not happened)
- 3.1.3. Grant Funds can be anywhere from \$25,000 to \$40,000, funds cannot stay in the account for more than 3 years. The PAC applied for the gaming grant last year is still awaiting to hear back.
- 3.1.4. Current Balance for Gaming Account: \$22,833.90

Meeting adjourned just after 8pm