

## Sands Parent Advisory Committee Meeting

Meeting Location	Library
Meeting Date:	September 18, 2018
Meeting Time:	7:00 p.m.
Meeting Facilitator(s):	Amy Burden and Razia Khan
Attendees	Amy Burden, Razia Khan, Elaine Addison, Sandra Baumeister, Kevin Fairley, Anji Panesar, Heather Vido, Christine Judge, Ruth Armstrong, Alison Valcamp, Kika Stogianou, Jagadeesh Kini, Laurel Charnetski, Ken Charnetski, Brianna McRae, Joanna Macintosh, Suzana Topic, Christine Norton, Unnati Billimoria, Anita Lalonde, Trina Selgensen, Gladys We, Aaron Akune, Vijay Kallur, Nancy Baily, Charito Trzeciak

### Read and Approved Minutes from Previous Meeting

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- Introductions around the table
  - **Principal's Update**
    - getting to know gr 8 and parents, interested in feedback on how it is working for them, what can be done better, what's working
    - parents interested in clubs available - can look online under tab: <https://sa.deltasd.bc.ca/activities-clubs/clubs/>
    - received positive feedback regarding the mentorship by Gr 12s
    - Sands fosters an atmosphere and culture of kindness
    - Gr 8 retreat on Sept 28 is a time for new students to get to know each other and the school community
    - new band and drama teachers to replace Mr. Maller
    - School photos now done by Artona which now removes the confusion as photos mailed directly home
    - Thursday, Sept 20 is Terry Fox run which is a school wide event with a target of \$1500,
    - Student participation for donating to events such as Terry Fox and the food drive is sliding
    - grad boat cruise is on the 27th
    - Canadian University evening is on Sept 28th at 6pm in the gym (approx 50 will be

- represented), organized by Susan Deane
  - All students will have a chance to see the White Hatter presentation about digital literacy
  - Grad Trans is in its last year, Career Education replaces Planning
  - Capstone for Gr 12 is a self-initiated project, self-learning, a way to share what the student has learned. Begun during Career Education in Gr 11, although if student took Planning 10 instead, a teacher will still be mentoring students in 12 to help with this
  - review of the new emergency procedures which were sent via email to all parents/guardians is replacing code yellow and red protocols, enables more info to be shared with staff and students in the immediate situation, police liaison officer meets with Gr 8 to discuss these procedures, Sands has tried unstructured drills to provide opportunity for simulating real life situations
- Treasurer Suzana Topic was introduced to the PAC
- DPAC update: Nancy Baily
  - DPAC had a discussion around the lack of information provided to parents in emergency situation. Parent education is important to enable them to understand the school's role during an emergency and what the parents role is during that sit.
  - Superintendent spoke about Delta's vision for emergency preparation especially communication
  - a representative from BCPAC felt each school should have a BCPAC membership (Sands doesn't currently), especially as Delta is underrepresented
  - BCPAC offers a grant of \$200 per school for parent education, DPAC is hoping to combine school funds to do a multi school program (White Hatter is one such)
  - in preparation for the upcoming election for school trustees there will be an all school trustee candidates meeting on Oct 4 at NDSS at 7pm and Oct 11 at DSS at 7
- Dry Grad update: Christine Judge
  - no meeting as yet, but they will need helpers as the year progresses, a great event to be involved in to keep it going, 75-80% of grads go, 11 pm - 5 am, all North end schools except Seaquam attend
- Other business:
  - Primary purpose of PAC is to distribute gaming funds for non curriculum related expenses

- Fundraising for specific goals would be considered and supported by the school
- Staff wish list for PAC funds will be sent to PAC to view to see if there is a particular item to fund
- Emergency bin : portion of student funds goes to replacing expiring foods

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**Next Meeting**

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Adjourned 8:24