

**Burnaby Mountain Secondary School
Parent Advisory Council Meeting – Zoom
Monday, October 4, 2021 at 7:15 pm**

Attendees:

Lee Anne Kristmanson, Principal	Phillippe Filiatreault, MAL	Jen Mezei
Teresa Rossiello, Chair	philippefiliatreault@gmail.com	P Bauer
Dawn, Vice-Chair (regrets)	Siva Ramesh, MAL (regrets)	Beth
Gaurav (Jay) Kapadia, Treasurer	Olena	Jennie
Ingrid Anand, Parent Ed (regrets)	Laura	Brenda Nicholas
Maribeth Yap, DPAC	Heidi hbcogan@gmail.com	Yalda
Kristin Schnider, DPAC	Amna's parent	Marika Morissette
Annette Yang, Secretary	Jen Z	Sean McCarron
Mitas Arora, Parent Ed	Nicole	
Amy Girard, DPAC	Daniel Moraes	

1. **Welcome & Correspondence** – call to order 7:15pm
2. **Minutes of June 2021 Council Meeting** – reviewed, motioned, adopted
3. **Student Council Update** by students Yeira Wong and Sean Oh
 - Many events from last month including scavenger hunt, grade 8 retreat, photobooth, grad BBQ with club's day upcoming
 - Truth and Reconciliation Day recognition with events and activities throughout the week
4. **Treasurer's Report** by Jay
 - Budget was deferred from May/June's meeting
 - Budget overview - main account and gaming account (revenues and expenses)
 - Request to see last year's actual numbers – Jay will request from Franca, previous Treasurer and review/approve at our next meeting
 - \$4,700 chequing account balance
 - \$14,136 gaming account; recently applied for gaming grant for this year \$20/student
5. **Elections: New Members** – motioned, approved
 - Amy Girard, DPAC interest
 - Mitas Arora, Parent Education to help Ingrid
 - Philippe F, Member at Large
6. **Committee Reports**
 - **DPAC Meeting Update** by Kristin
 - Sep 21: presented on past year and provided YouTube link that reflected the accomplishments of the last year <https://youtu.be/aZVCSnH0los>
 - Will not be broadcasting school exposures but will be listing exposures throughout the region
<https://can01.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.fraserhealth.ca%2Fhealth-topics-a-to-z%2Fcoronavirus%2Fschool->

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- Vaccine clinic – possibly some in Burnaby, but have not updates yet
- HVAC systems – district is working on good air circulation for schools especially in elementary schools
- Parent info sessions – solicited parents for suggestions for the upcoming school year

- **Parent Ed Update** by Maribeth
 - Great session on scholarships for parents and students
 - Tammy Belyea is contact at BMSS who will have all the info on scholarships Tammy.Belyea@burnabyschools.ca
 - Always looking for suggestions for parent education session, please email PAC your ideas – we usually do 1-2 sessions per year

7. Principal's Report & Questions

- Introduces Sean McCarron, Safe School Specialist – helps with mediation; social media; presentations to students on sexting, digital literacy, healthy, stress, vaping, etc.); available to parents – contact via school website
- New teachers/staff
- New Vice Principal – Dan Adrian
- Vice Principal – Deena Lewis
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Enrolment back up to regular numbers – this year 1450.

New teachers this Fall:

- Mr. Leung: Math
- Ms. Landsberg: Science
- Ms. Qin: Mandarin/ELL
- Ms. Welsh: Business Ed
- Ms. Cardamone: Languages DH
- Ms. Vriend: Spanish
- Ms. VanMaarseveen: Science/Math
- Ms. Barsky: English DH
- Mr. Lamb: Social Studies/LSS
- Mr. Axford: Music
- Mr. Blaeser: Home Ec.
- Ms. Haywood: Counselling
- Ms. Duff: Head Secretary

Truth and Reconciliation Week – lots of student participation and activities in classrooms with support from our Indigenous learning committee, student council and the leadership class. Rain Pierre spoke to the whole school via zoom about his artwork on the front windows and the process of creating it. He shared his life story and where he is today. On Tuesday, we had elders Alroy Baker K'etximtn and Stewart Gonzales Sempulyan of the Musqueam and Squamish Nation sharing dance, song and their story with several of our classes in the commons. Wednesday everyone wore their orange shirts and we had a film screening at lunch. On Friday

we reflected on our learning by writing our thoughts on an orange shirt which was posted on the windows in the commons.

Terry Fox Run – Successful event on September 23rd. Raised: \$576.00

Numeracy first session: November 1st – 5th Semester 1 Math 10 students.

Fall Sports have started: Volleyball, X-Country, Rugby and soccer are up and running. The district will be re-examining whether to have spectators after the Thanksgiving weekend.

Intramural Flag football is happening now.

PEAK program: before and after school homework support in room 206 Monday – Thursday.

Coming up:

- Friday is photo retakes for students who missed having their photo taken
- Grade 8 event/retreat: Details coming soon
- Clubs Day is this Wednesday outside. Weather dependent.
- Parent teacher interviews on October 20. Bookings will open up on Wednesday. They will close on Friday the 15th.
- October 22 provincial Pro-D day no classes
- Great BC Shakeout October 21 period 2.
- Grad photo sittings: First two weeks of January. Students can book now.
- Information and feedback on the draft K-12 reporting order can be given at <https://engage.gov.bc.ca/govtogetherbc/consultation/studentreporting/>

Where to get info: Daily bulletin is on our website with lots of great info such as volunteer opportunities. Instagram @burnabymountain and twitter @bbymountainsec

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- List of district Pro-D days <https://burnabyschools.ca/wp-content/uploads/2021/09/SchoolCalendar2021-22-website.pdf>
- Student leadership group calls every G8 student and work with them on their opening days in their home rooms to help navigate BMSS
- Counsellors can help G12 with their post-secondary applications; there are also presentations from local post-secondary institutes – ask counsellor for more info
- Student cards are their go-cards and can be used on transit (bus/skytrain)

8. Other

- Philippe requests to add to meeting agenda to discuss state of students, COVID, etc.

9. Adjournment at 8:25pm

Next Council Meeting: Monday, November 1, 2021

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