

ECOLE SECONDARIE HUGH McROBERTS PARENT ADVISORY COUNCIL

17 MAY 2017 MINUTES

Meeting called to order at 7:08

Attending: Hugo Madiera, Sandra Clark, Lisa Enns, Miwa Suzuki, Li Ping Magnusson, Diane Pai, Lucy Guo, George Hofsink; Sheryl Jerstad, Mahmood Jaffer

Administration: Jane McFadyen, Benita Kwon, Mike Whittingham

**1. Welcome and Introductions**

**2. Minutes of 19 April 2017** – Lucy motioned to accept. All in favor. ADOPTED

- Update from April minutes – Holds have been removed for transfers into McRoberts;
- SD38 will not be closing schools due to budget issues as thought.

**3. School Administration Report**

- a. Core Competencies – Grade 8's and 9's will have a choice of 4 competencies on which to self-evaluate. The self-evaluation can be for any class they take. They will practice their self-evaluation June 1<sup>st</sup>, then produce the final self-evaluation for the report card on June 19<sup>th</sup>.
- b. Year End – Students will be in class until June 22<sup>nd</sup>. Grade 12 Provincial English exams are June 23<sup>rd</sup>. Grade 8-11 will pick up yearbooks the afternoon of June 23<sup>rd</sup>. Teachers will be available 2 hours each day for extra help, re-writes, and extra learning opportunities. Availability will be advertised.
- c. SD38 given \$11.7M by the Ministry of Education as a result of Supreme Court ruling on class size. This money is for “teachers in front of students” and does not help with the \$10.5M budget shortfall. McRoberts is expecting to have the same number of students next year.
- d. Girls' Rugby, Ultimate and Tennis are going to the Provincials. Grade 8 Boys Volleyball, Girls Soccer, Boys Rugby and Track have also had success.
- e. McRoberts has not been successful finding a PE teacher for their French Immersion (FI) students. Parents asked about including Math in French to help the school meet their goal of teaching 50% of courses in French, but it has been shown that more students leave the FI program when math is in French.

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**5. Dates to Remember:**

May 18 – Grad Boat Cruise

May 22 – Victoria Day

May 23 – Early dismissal

May 30 – Awards Assembly

June 1 – Awards Assembly

June 8 – Valedictory Rehearsal

June 15 – PAC Teacher Appreciation Breakfast

June 18 – Father's Day

June 23 – English 12 Provincial Exam

June 26 – Communications 12 Provincial Exam

June 17 – FRAL 12 Provincial Exam

June 28 – Final Reports Card

June 29 – Grad Dinner and Dance

June 30 – Administrative Day

## 6. Committee Reports

- a. Treasurer:
  - The General Account has \$4,662.01.
  - The Gaming Account has \$28,780.47, but soon \$6,229.99 will be given to the school for wish list items purchased.
  - PAC has applied for next year's Gaming Grant
- b. Dry After Grad:
  - Richmond District PAC has received a generous donation from a private donor. They will be giving each DAG \$600.00
  - Parents are asked to volunteer for DAG by May 30<sup>th</sup>
- c. Secretary – nothing to report

## 7. PAC Annual General Meeting:

It is important to have an active PAC so McRoberts is able to apply for government grants. Roles and responsibilities of PAC Executive described. Hugo called for nominations.

- Chair – Hugo Madiera and Sandra Clark elected by acclamation  
Treasurer – Miwa Suzuki elected by acclamation.  
Secretary – Lisa Enns elected by acclamation.  
Sheryl Jerstad will shadow and take over for the following school year.

## 8. Open Forum:

- a. Li Ping and Mahmood shared what they heard at SD38's "Most Likely to Succeed" documentary. Both recommend showing it to teachers, students and parents at the McRoberts. Parents from feeder schools could be invited.

**MOTION:** Li Ping motioned PAC set aside \$500.00 from general account for viewing of "Most Likely to Succeed" documentary at the school next year. Seconded by Lucy. **CARRIED**

Meeting adjourned at 8:14PM

## 2017-2018 PAC Meeting Dates:

September 13, 2017  
October 18, 2017  
November 15, 2017  
January 17, 2018  
February 14, 2018  
March 14, 2018  
April 18, 2018  
May 16, 2018