

École secondaire Hugh McRoberts Secondary School

PAC Meeting #4

Wednesday, January 8, 2020 at 7:00pm in School Library

1. Welcome & Introduction (Hugo Madeira - PAC Chair)

Attendees: Hugo M. (Chair), Sophia Z. (Vice Chair), Colleen C. (Secretary), Diane P., Debbie, Neil Kamide (Principal).

2. Review & Approval of Last Meeting Minutes & Emergency Meeting Minutes

Moved, seconded, carried. Debbie & Diane.

3. School Administration Report

- a. **Staff Appreciation Luncheon:** Huge thanks for the delicious lunch and opportunity for all staff to dine together.
- b. **Boundary Changes:** Significant McRoberts parent input was received.
- c. **BC Teachers Federation:** This is a contract year and negotiations continue.
- d. **Hands On Night:** January 22nd preceded by Grade 7 Info Night.
- e. **Term 2 Interim Reports:** January 30th.
- f. **Program Planning for 2020/2021:** Plans for next school year are well underway. Program Planning night for all grade 8-11 students will be held on January 30th.
- g. **Parent-Teacher Conferences:** February 5-6.
- h. **Sports:** All McRoberts teams are performing exceptionally.
- i. **Core Competency Ed Camps:** This professional conversation invites student input for insight. Students must be comfortable sharing their thoughts & ideas. Please reach the school to register.

4. Dates To Remember

Please refer to school website Calendar.

5. Old Business

- a. **Boundary Changes**
 - There was great representation by McRoberts parents at the December RDPA & School Board meetings. 71 comments received by the School Board from McRoberts families.
 - Of the thirty five District proposed changes, eight were deferred. Two of the four changes for McRoberts were deferred.
 - Note: French Immersion Program is movable as it is a District choice program.
 - Question: What is the criteria for closing a school?
 - Please feel free to reach the School Board, McRoberts school & McRoberts PAC with further questions, concerns & input.

7. New Business

- a. **Privacy of Information** - Review of recommended best practices for PACs with regard to data security, social media use and communications.
- b. **BCCPAC AGM** - May 1-3, 2020 at the Richmond World Trade Centre. An excellent opportunity to learn about other PACs and to attend the Parent Education Conference. Accepting nominations for outstanding parent volunteer awards.
- c. **BCCPAC Special Resolutions** - McRoberts PAC to bring forward a Special Resolution with regard to emphasis on Math for Educators at BCCPAC AGM May 1-3, 2020. .
- d. **BCCPAC Board of Directors** - Nominations accepted until February 28, 2020.

- e. **Screenagers Next Chapter** - Join speaker Connie Easton on January 21, 2020 from 6:00pm-8:30pm at Richmond Secondary. This is a family friendly event hosted by RDPA. Please register at: <https://www.eventcombo.com/e/screenagers-next-chapter-presented-by-richmond-district-pare-36877>
- f. **BCTF Presentation "Problematic Future: Special Education Funding"** - Seminar can be booked by PAC pending parent interest.
- g. **RDPA & Richmond Public Library Parent Info Sessions** at Brighthouse Branch Thursdays from 4:00pm-5:00pm
 - School Resources for Emotional Support - January 16, 2020
 - Coding & Computational Thinking - February 6, 2020
 - Preparing for Graduation - March 5, 2020
- h. **Parents as Career Coaches** - Aimed at grade 10-11 students. More info to follow.

Next Meeting: Wednesday, February 12, 2020 at 7:00pm – General Meeting

Meeting was adjourned at 7:57pm.

Contact Us: mrobertspac@gmail.com
Meeting Dates, Meeting Minutes, Contact Info on the Web: <http://mroberts.sd38.bc.ca>