

SENTINEL PARENT ADVISORY COUNCIL MEETING

Held on Wednesday, March 8, 2023
at School Library Mezzanine

COUNCIL IN ATTENDANCE:

Cathy Yeung	President
Nora Gambioli	DPAC Representative
Xiangmei Su (May)	Secretary

PRESENT: Shabnam Taheri, Anna Chin, Victoria Mendes, Gem Chu, Sarahbonstun Huytow, Jatinder Sidhu, Tonia Liao, Muni Ismail

Meeting was called to order at 9:15am.

Meeting Agenda

1. Opening Remarks- Cathy Yeung (1 Minutes)
2. Approval of agenda and Feb 2023 minutes --- All (1 Minute)
3. Financial Update - Effie (5 minutes)
4. Sentinel Sustainable Commuting Initiative (SSCI) - Jatinder (5 Minutes)
5. Indigenous Blanket Experience - Cathy (5 Minutes)
 - a. Date: Wed, April 5 6-8 pm at sentinel and we still have 8 spots available.
 - b. Deadline: March 10, if interested, please email Cathy ASAP
6. DPAC Report - Nora (5 Minutes)
7. Principle Report --- Mr. Finch (20 Minutes)
8. Sentinel Tedx Rep - (5 Minutes)
9. 2023 Multicultural Lunch Report - Cathy (10 Minutes) - All table coordinators and helpers are welcome to share your table report.
10. Miscellaneous Matters and Free Discussion (5 Minutes)

Our next meeting is on May 10 AGM. 2023-2024 Election, we have few parents graduating and we need to fill position for PAC Chair, Treasurer, Wish List Coordinator, Grad Liaison (Grade 12 Parent), If you are interested please email to cathysentinelpac@gmail.com

1. Cathy started the meeting by welcoming all to Sentinel PAC and introducing all PAC executives and members at large.
2. Approval of the agenda and minutes Feb. 2023. Motion to approve the agenda and the minutes first by Shabnam and Second by Sarahbonstun . All in favor.
3. Financial Update - Effie (5 minutes)

Cathy discussed the financial report, which was provided by Effie. PAC uses cash system. Our Christmas treat donation was \$2645.00, and we spent \$1500 for the staff and teacher's gifts. Valentine's Day's donation was \$475.00, and we spent about \$300.00 for the staff and teacher's treat. We got MCL donation was \$3050.00. MCL ticket sale is \$9712.25. We got community support of \$1500.00. The Chinese table in MCL collected a donation of \$1140.00. Bubble Tea sale was \$105.00. Total MCL fund raise was \$15507.25. MCL was very successful this year. MCL fund raise money will help G12 student's scholarship next year.
4. Sentinel Sustainable Commuting Initiative (SSCI) - Jatinder (5 Minutes)
 - a. STD - Stop Drive
 - b. Working with some student for helping the school traffic
 - c. Producing a video and encouraging kids to think about driving to school .
The deadline for Submitting video is a week after spring break.
5. Indigenous Blanket Experience - Cathy (5 Minutes)
 - a. Date: Wed, April 5 6-8 pm at sentinel and we still have 8 spots available.
 - b. Deadline: March 10 (Friday), if interested, please email Cathy ASAP
 - c. There are 3 schools joining together at the sentinel library.
6. DPAC Report - Nora
 - a. Encouraging parents to sign up Indigenous Blanket Experience.
 - b. PJ school got a new program that they invite Dads for traffic control. It worked really well.
 - c. BC Hydro construction at Mather and 15th street.
7. Mr. Finch, Sentinel's Principal:
 - a. Thank You to PAC, especially to Cathy, for MCL - the most successful (financially) and providing lunch for staff before Parents Teachers conferences
 - b. School play a big success: 120 students
 - c. Linear Reports released last week (September 2023-June 2024)
 - d. I had Grad Chats yesterday:
 - Scholarships (Encourage students to apply)
 - Grad events Sanctioned vs Unsanctioned: Encourage parents to have a convention with the kids. Just want to keep things safe.
 - Updates for Grad : Grad write ups due May 1, Grad gown sizing, Grad photos
 - e. FOS Blanket Ceremony Weds Apr. 5 6-8 pm (13 parents). Encouraging parents

- to take the spots.
- f. Framework for Enhanced School Learning (FESL): District reworking their 3 year FESL plan. Focus on: 1. Sense of Belonging, 2. Numeracy 3. Transitions (grade 7-8) Sentinel in the 3rd year (of 3) of FESL. Focus on Assessment.
 - g. Time Table Updates:
Current year challenges with enrollment. Some students/families might be disappointed or anxious wanting to get into Sentinel. Sentinel is currently full for 2023/24. Sentinel will continue to do everything we can to get as many students as possible into the school. We might have 235 new students enrolling at school next year.
 - h. Next Year outline:
 - Linear timetable. Courses will run Sept --> June (Day 1 and Day 2 Schedule)
 - Students will take 8 classes in total in the whole semester
 - 4 classes each day, Day 1/Day 2 schedule
 - 3 classes in the morning will rotate, 1 class after lunch will remain static for Academy/Pursuit
 - Flexible Instruction Time (FIT/X block), will be embedded in the day (ie: between periods 2 and 3)
 - k. Happy Nowruz and Spring Break!
8. Sentinel TEDx Rep - (5 Minutes)
TEDx team members did a presentation about their TEDx at Sentinel. They asked for PAC support. PAC will put on Ebulletin to ask for parents donations and team is going to send PAC a budget expense.
9. 2023 Multicultural Lunch Report - Cathy (10 Minutes) - All table coordinators and helpers are welcome to share your table report.
- MCL fundraise is the biggest fundraiser each year. The money is for Grad. scholarship and other school upgrades.
 - Gem suggests that we could have more bubble tea sales at MCL next year.
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 - Thank you to all parents who helped MCL to make it a Huge Success!

Meeting was adjourned at 10:45am.