



Colleen and Gordie Howe Middle School

3174 Clearbrook Road Abbotsford V2T 4N6

PAC Meeting held at School Library

Wednesday, September 25, 2024

Administration:

- a. Principal : Shawn Davids (cc)
- b. Vice Principal : Rebecca Kandal (cc) and Nicholas Cochrane

PAC Executive:

- a) President : Amarech Beauregard (incoming)
- b) Vice President : Vacant
- c) Secretary : Vacant
- d) Treasurer : John Surabathula
- e) Fundraising : Vacant

Meeting called to order: 6:50pm

Principal's Update:

- Very strong start-up to the school year
- 23 Divisions in school (2 new + new "ELL" portable)
- 606 students (six – Gr 6's, nine – Gr 7's, eight – Gr 8's)
- 117 ELL students
- Student expectations assemblies for each grade
- Orange Shirt Day assembly will be observed tomorrow (September 26th)
- Clubs & Athletics: There are new clubs this year and the school is seeing significant interest from students in all activities
 - a. Beginner Band (Ms Hunt) - Mon/Fri before school, Wed after school
 - b. Advanced Band (Ms Hunt) - Mon/Fri after school, Wed before school
 - c. Beginning Dhol (Ms Hunt) - Tues after school
 - d. Advanced Dhol (Ms Hunt) - Tues/Thur before school
 - e. Choir (Ms Hunt) - Thur after school
 - f. Cross Country (Ms Gallagher/Mr Dutt) - Tues/Thur after school

- g. Flag Football (Mr Fish/ Mr Gibson) - Tues/Thur after school
- h. Gr 6 Boys/Girls Volleyball (Ms Smith, Ms McAulay, Mr Gibson)
- i. Gr 7 Boys Volleyball (Mr Fish)
- j. Gr 7 Girls Volleyball (Ms Bilinski)
- k. Gr 8 Boys Volleyball (Mr Ross)
- l. Gr 8 Girls Volleyball (Ms Bamara)
- m. Culture Club - (Archway Community Services)- Wed at lunch
- n. Beginner Guitar Club (Mr Kauffman) - Mon after school
- o. Chess Club (Mr Kauffman) - Wed at lunch
- p. Homework Club (Mr Kauffman) Tues/Thur after school
- q. Young Buskers Open Mic (Mr Kauffman) - Fri after school
- Some new staff (updated on website); only one position to be filled

PAC Executive Update:

- Thanks to past President Manjeet Gill for her work. Amarech Beaugard has stepped in to assume the role of President.
- The Vice President, Secretary and Fundraising Coordinator positions are to be filled for this academic year. Parents who are interested in volunteering for this position can contact the PAC Executive, the Principal or the Vice Principals.

Treasurer's Update:

- Applied for the Community Gaming Grant in June 2024. Expected to hear from BC Gaming Grants by the end of this month regarding approval.

Next PAC Meetings

- Tentative dates for future PAC meetings (all at 6:30pm) have been set:
- Wednesday October 23, 2024
- Wednesday November 20, 2024
- Wednesday December 18, 2024
- Wednesday January 22, 2024
- Wednesday February 19, 2024
- Wednesday April 16, 2024
- Wednesday May 21, 2024
- Wednesday June 18, 2024

Meeting adjourned at: 7:21pm.