

## CARIBOO HILL SECONDARY SCHOOL

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### PAC Meeting, April 10th 2017

Attendees: Raveena Nat, Mke Gregus, Lita Cole, Rishma Vallani, Sarb Basi, GordanaVujanic

#### Student government Report by Vishal Reedy

- Dance- postponed from April 12<sup>th</sup> to April 25<sup>th</sup> due to other planned events.
- Student body elections – applications will be given out in advance of May 14 – 18 elections.
- Grad Council – boat cruise cancelled due to lack of ticket sales. 40 students gave deposits instead of the min 80 students.
- Dry grad ticket sales are going well. All funding goals have been met.
- Drive a Ford event successful.
- Fashion show was a great event.
- Talent show - April 18<sup>th</sup> at Michael J. Fox Theatre

#### Guest Speakers: Chris Maki – Burnaby Online Head Teacher and Susan Vossen Burnaby Online Teacher - Topic: What is Burnaby Online all about ? (burnabyonline.ca)

PAC has received the following information about Burnaby Online courses through lively conversation with the guest speakers:

Burnaby Online courses are offered to

- Kindergarden to grade 7 students
- Grade 8 and 9 full time with school permission
- Grade 10 – 12 BC students from anywhere in the province

Online courses are taken for various reasons: due to course scheduling conflicts, to accommodate busy schedule of high performance sport students, for health and other reasons. No permission is required for selection of online extra electives. Textbooks are provided for CAD 100 deposit. Online teachers are checking in with students at night. Students can enroll at any time.

There are approximately 1,200 online course students registered at the moment, taking from 1 to 9 courses. Any B.C. resident can register. Courses are free for the students by age 19. Majority of online students are from Lower Mainland.

Currently there are 14 online course teachers. Teachers work part-time during the summer. They use different methods of communication with students. Exams are at school locations. Communication with online teachers is particularly easy for Cariboo Hill students due to the shared location.

Treasurer's report: Raveena Nat

Reviewed March statement.

DPAC report: Mike Gregus

Mike attended DPAC budget meeting mainly dealing with end of the teachers' labour dispute settlement. Teachers will receive back the funding which had been taken away. Discussion on bullying – school councilors work on different bullying issues, but there seems to be no clear solution for students on how to deal with these situations.

Online application should be submitted for gaming budget- in process.

There will be no Cariboo Hill representatives at BCCPAC meeting at the Guildford Hotel in Surrey, BC on May 05-06, 2017.

Discussion:

Bell schedule proposal presented to PAC members – not yet approved.

Plan to remove house block after receiving parents' and students' feedback.

Tutorials suggested to take place every week.

New Cariboo2Go app – free. It will replace student agendas.

School year 2018/2019 – projected 40 students less than this year, which fits well within the new smaller class size plan.

Bigger school budget next year due to return of teachers' wages.

No issues with custodial staff at Burnaby high schools. Cariboo Hill has one daytime custodian and 4.5 evening custodians.

Cariboo Hill has 4 councillors for 1,500 students, which is better ratio than other schools.

Dry grad parent report: Cathy Moroney: No report.

French immersion report: Gordana Vujanic

Grade 10 French immersion students attended a play at Douglas College on April 5th. Students were responsible for their transportation and were allowed to return to school after the show after lunch.

Discussion on the need for school organized transportation for any school organized events.

Principal's report: Andy Chin

Online report cards start in June, except for grade 12.

Students to sign course selection.

Cancer all-nighter event held in April – about 40 students participated.

Grad interviews will take place at the end of April.

Burnaby school district is black-listed for email spams, which creates communication difficulties.

2018/2019 school budget similar to this year. Cariboo Hill students are taking more courses than in the past which helps with offering AP courses to small classes of students.

Discussion on new honor roll awards.

PAC Chair report: Sarb Basi. No report

No New business