

**École Cariboo Hill Secondary School**  
**PAC Meeting Minutes**  
**1 March 2021 (Online)**

**Present:** Sarb Basi (Chairperson), Tekla Fulton, Doug Brown, Cindy Grewal Blaison, Daniela Balenovic, Hetty Alcuitas, Katrina Craig, Rachelle Tambeau, Mike Gregus, Tasnim Vegdani, Jan Ranford, Amal Kago, Samar, Don W, Harman Parmar, Karen Jackson (Teacher), Doreen Larisch (Teacher), Andy Chin (Principal)

**Welcome and introductions**

Everyone was welcomed by the Chair.

**Approval of agenda**

Motion to approve the amended agenda made by Katrina Craig and seconded by Tekkie Fulton.  
*Carried.*

**Approval of minutes**

Approval of the meeting minutes of 1 Feb 2020 will be deferred to the next meeting as per the amendment to the agenda.

**Student Reports:**

**Student Government**

**Harman Parmar**

Valentines Day Survey – Best Friend Survey – they did well, broke even  
Planning a big event that will replace Carniboo, an event called Sports Day Survivor Week – still in design probably take place in May or June. Students will receive prizes.

DSAC – Spirit Week coming up March 8-12, district-wide, prizes to be distributed each day.  
Each day has a different theme: funky mask day, school colours day, etc.

**Guest Presenters – Ms. Karen Jackson and Ms. Doreen Larisch**

**What is CLC 11/12? Yes, it is a grad requirement!**

**Career Life Education 10** – taught by Mr. Chercover

Self exploration – thinking about future career paths – looking at personalities, interests, skills and what are the education paths to get to these careers

**Career Life Connections 11**

Posting virtual workshops, postings are mostly virtual right now and these look good on the resume so is encouraging participation

Again trying to match student interests and skills with potential career paths

Sharing information about Post-Secondary Education (information sessions)

Job finding skills

Workplace safety

Capstone – getting students think about this for next year

*Do you have something that you would like this course to cover?* Please provide feedback to Ms. Jackson

## **Career Life Connections 12**

Students complete assignments that will focus on their capstone project.

### **Questions:**

#### ***How long do the students have to complete their 30 volunteer hours?***

30 hours can start after grade 10 – must complete their workplace safety first

#### ***Where does this class fit in? How much time should they be spending on each assignment?***

Grade 11 is all on top of other classes, on their own time, spans the school year and about 6 weeks per assignment.

#### ***Course selection – how do we choose the CLC 11 course – we didn't see it in the course outline.***

It is not in the course selection as it is required for everyone. For work experience they may choose either the 30 hour volunteer hours or the 80 hour elective course.

#### ***How are the students meeting their volunteer hours?***

Many students already started their volunteer hours prior to the pandemic. They can now do a 30 hour service assignment at home – they can wash dishes, walk the neighbour's dog, etc if they feel really stuck and can't get out into the community at large.

#### ***Capstone project evaluation – how will it be done this year?***

Presentations have been turned into a 2 format assignment. One part is written out – what they would have said in their presentation. The second part is a PowerPoint presentation. Ms. Larisch is evaluating all of them this year.

### **Principal's report: Andy Chin**

- Covid-19, one exposure on Feb 2-5, they have recovered and doing well
- Different process for the exposures from now on, Fraser Health will call the principal directly and the school will be involved in the students who will have to isolate
- Q2 report cards posted Feb 9 and honour roll will be distributed in the next 2 weeks
- Course selection is complete, maybe 80 students left
- Enrollment projections are about the same for next year – about 20 cross-district applications
- Pride Week was successful
- Update on school safety protocols – emphasis on physical distancing, signage in café and constant reminders to students

- Staff will need to do a sign in to acknowledge that a Health Check was done
- Lots of sanitizer and hand washing stations (3 have
- Masks are worn in every class which is great to see!
- Next Friday is the interim quarter 3 marks
- District and schools have started talking about what school may look like next year – no decisions have been made but most likely NOT linear.

Questions:

***Any changes at Cariboo will have to be in alignment with the rest of the District?***

Yes. We will have to have the same system as the other schools.

***Why have the Covid-19 exposure / isolation procedures changed?***

Principals know who's in the class and who should be isolating – more than the contact information that is sometimes given by the person who is Covid-19 positive.

***Any opportunity to move to a semestered system for next year rather than quarter system? Quarter system is so hard on the kids especially in classes such as math or sciences.***

The quarter system seems to be the best to keep cohorts small.

**DPAC report: Mike Gregus & Daniela Balenovic**

Feb 22 Meeting

VP of Diversity, equity and inclusion for Burnaby presented on anti-racism

Discussed having her present to parents at large

Have leftover funds that they would like to use, one possibility is to give as scholarships, any other ideas? Please send ideas to DPAC by April 19<sup>th</sup>.

**French Immersion Report – Rachelle**

No report

**Treasurer's report – Doug Brown:**

Motion to move the PAC account from Scotiabank (at the Crest) to G&F Financial Group on Sixth Street in New Westminster moved by Doug Brown and seconded by Sarb Basi. *Carried.*

No change in account information from last meeting.

**Dry Grad**

Still some meetings taking place but no decisions yet

Less than \$200 from the bottle return, good news is that over 2000 items recycled

Still looking at options for a grad event

Leaving ceremony will be similar to last year – virtual event for parents to watch online

**Report from Chair:**

Please send topics that you are interested in discussing or speakers that you would like to hear from, please send Sarb an email with suggestions.

**New Business:**

No new business

**Adjournment:**

Meeting was adjourned at 8:14 pm

APPROVED