

Mount Doug Secondary School RAMPAC Meeting Minutes

Welcome

The Greater Victoria School District wishes to recognize and acknowledge the Songhees and Esquimalt Nations, on whose traditional territories we live, we learn, and we do our work.

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We are committed to celebrating the rich diversity in our community. We are guided by the principle that embracing diversity enriches the lives of all people. We all share the responsibility for creating an equitable and inclusive community and for addressing discrimination in all forms.

Date: October 18, 2024

Time: 7:00pm – 8:30pm

Location: Library and MS Teams (Hybrid)

Join the meeting now

Meeting ID: 284 610 925 928

Passcode: nwiNcM

Attendees:

Principal - Heather Brown Vice Principal - Maylyn Elliot / Aaron Gillatly Chair - Juergen Ehlting Secretary - Antje Helmuth

(regrest)

Vice-Chair - Nora Steves VCPAC Rep - Meredith Ruelle

Treasurer - Scott Farquhar Member at Large - GL (Lee)

Donnie Musgrave Genelle Schmunk

Guests:

Allen Gunderson - Past Treasurer

Item:			
1.	Welcome and introductions	Heather	
1.	- Thank you to all who are joining	Houthor	
	- Allen Gunderson was not able to join today so Heather will present his past		
	treasurer report		
2.	Principal's report	Heather	
	- October has seen us roll out a new food	program in partnership with Flourish!	
	(https://flourishschoolfood.ca/)		
	- We serve this out of the multipurpose room and amazingly have been		
	consistently serving the meals within 15 minutes of the start of lunch.		
	- 115 students are accessing a hot meal at lunch Mondays – Thursdays, many		
	paid by their parents and some paid for by the school from our targeted funds		
	to support food security (Feeding Futures fund).		
	- There have often been leftovers and students are welcome to check back at		
	Rambucks but must keep their food container and fork to be able to get		
	additional food.		
	- We offer food to all students for breakfast each morning and fruit throughout		
	the school day is widely available (as are granola bars)		
	 We have many athletic and club teams underway and some nearing the end of their season. Our clubs page has been updated on our website and several 		
	new clubs have been created this year.		
	- Parent teacher interviews are fast approaching—Thursday November 6 from		
	3:30-6:30pm. A link will be shared to all families on Friday October 25 to allow		
	you to book. Interviews will be conducted in the gymnasium and each time slot		
	allows for a 7-minute meeting.		
	- Our Dance program is heading to New York City (Oct 19-26)! The dancers will		
	enjoy some shows and participate in several dance classes while there.		
	- We are currently selling tickets for the Halloween Dance scheduled for October		
	29 from 6-9pm. Tickets are \$5 and on sale in the foyer until Oct 24.		
3.	Communications received	Antje	
	- None to report		
4.	Treasurer's report	Scott	
	- Scott will reach out to Allen Gunderson (former treasurer) to arrange a meeting		
	at the bank to change signing authority to Scott.		
5.	Gaming Grant update	Heather	
	- Funds have been allocated to the PAC for distribution: \$19 060		
	- Allen was able to file the missing summary report so funds will be allocated		
	this year to us.		
	- Timelines: deadline for November 1		
	- Collated and distributed to PAC November 10		
	- Meeting to allocate funds: November 20		
6.	VCPAC update	Meredith	

They had quorum at their previous meeting (yay!) Alternating between Tuesday and Wednesday meetings month to month Updates: Meet the teacher night (Lansdowne had a table—would we like to)? Loss of technology (this was tabled for next meeting but is in relation to the decommissioning of chromebooks and iPads in SD61). Parent Education Night - access to funds (\$3000 fund) to host a night or cohost with another school FOI request for equity (focused on student-student and student-staff incidents of violence). FOI was limited to elementary as it is expensive. Resulted in board of trustees issuing directive to the Ad Hoc Equity Committee with a December 2 deadline. The FOI centred around a gap in data collection Amy will represent VCCPAC at this ad hoc committee MYST – Mobile Youth services Team—advocate explained that the organization is looking to secure stable funding as their services are being reduced to 2 days a week. They are a team of two, one youth and family counsellor (Mia Golden) and one member of a local Police department (Gord Magee, VIC PD) who provide in school support (presentations, 1:1) and parent supports (presentations and 1:1) related to exploitation and gangs. Letter written to SD61 re: School Cash online fees (4% +0.10 for each transaction) both via credit and cash/cheque. Letter outlines that this did not meet the requirements in the School Act of requiring 1 year notice. Sub committee reps: Meredith (climate action), Amy (Equity), French Advisory, Music Should we pursue/pay for membership in the larger Provincial PAC (BCCPAC)? Fee is later reimbursed. Nora motioned that we join the BCCPAC. Seconded by Don. Carried. 7. Fundraising discussion Don Let's raise some money! Passive fundraisers (Scott will pursue setting them up): Fairway, Bottle Depot, More active fundraiser – Jan 4 Tree Chipping (12 volunteers required) Don will lead this. Can we add a donation drive to our newsletter? Don would like us to have a table at the P/T interview night. November 6. He will be there, would like others to join. Brainstorming of possible events to have parents have space to get together

(coffee night?)