

**BYRNE CREEK SECONDARY SCHOOL
PARENT ADVISORY COUNCIL**

GENERAL MEETING MINUTES

April 12, 2010

Present:

Administration: Dave Rawnsley, Lorraine Hodgson, Mark Allen

Parents: Janet Reid, Naz Jakir, Julia Tajiri, Karen Swanson, Antonia Beck, Svetlana Osman

Students:

- 1. Call to Order at 7:10 pm.**
- 2. MSC to adopt agenda**
- 3. MSC to adopt March 2010 minutes**
- 4. Introductions**
- 5. Student Government Report – No Report as students were not present**
- 6. Chair's Report & correspondence**
 - Dr. Gordon Neufeld presents Roots of Resilience on April 29th @ 7pm @ Unity Church, 5840 Oak St in Vancouver. Tickets \$25
 - Wednesday April 21st at Byrnecreek – In the Drivers Seat presentation by BCAA. Spaces available
 - No Dry Grad coordinator yet
- 7. Treasurers Report**
 - Gaming account balance \$14,691.84 as at March 1st. General Account balance \$1,704.67 as at March 1st. Some cheques written per report provided
- 8. Principal's Report & BCesis Presentation by Lorraine Hodgson**
 - Gary Anaka presentation was well attended by students
 - Ian Tyson – spoke to students
 - Justice Theatre coming up
 - Youth in transition starts this Wednesday from 5-7pm. There are Parent sessions/Teen sessions/Toddler sessions separately and it ends with dinner. There are about 30 parents currently attending. 6 sessions coming up. Parents are encouraged to attend.
 - Budget coming down on April 28th and we will have a fairly profound impact at Byrnecreek as our staff are newer. We will have smaller number next year. 315 grade 12 graduating this year and there are less grade 8 students
 - Report Cards to be distributed on April 27th
 - BCesis – on school website. School website has been revamped. Course selection information on the website where you can check your child's courses. Each child is given a password and username. Students have done their course selection for next year already. Parent Assistant module may be available in September where parents can check the attendance at each block. Teacher Notebook module is a long range plan.

9. BCCPAC/DPAC Report

- BCCPAC Spring conference coming up on April 17th. AGM, resolutions, constitution & bylaws may be looked at
- Parent information evening on March 30th was a success. Next year there will be monthly sessions
- DPAC scholarships in the amount of \$250 are offered to each school and currently there are only 4 applications. Students need to write 250 word essay on “Parent participation in schools”.
- Gary Anaka attended by 30 parents. Some parents booked but did not attend.
- Janet will send out letters to the City for benches at the school

Adjourned – 8:20pm

Next meeting: May 3, 2010