

**BYRNE CREEK SECONDARY SCHOOL
PARENT ADVISORY COUNCIL**

GENERAL MEETING MINUTES

September 8, 2008

Present:

Administration: Lynn Archer, Ron Hall, Mark Allen

Parents: Janet Reid, Naz Jakir, Karen Swanson , Melody Marbach, Carolyn Lemarchand, Julia Tajiri, Javad Varzidekhar

Students: Monica (President) and Sonam (Vice President)

- 1. Call to Order at 7:07 pm.**
- 2. MSC to adopt agenda.**
- 3. MSC to accept minutes from June with correction (teachers name corrected to Toni Grewal)**
- 4. Round of Introductions**
- 5. Student Government**
 - Thanks to PAC for supporting the Bull Dog Bash
 - Mascott unveiled at Bull Dog Bash
 - Grade 8 Mixer on September 29th
 - Students interested in Dry Grad. Looking for support and ideas to start the event. Melody will speak to other High School Reps at DPAC for ideas. Dry Grad Council to be involved with Grade 12 parents.

Students left.

- 6. Correspondence -** BC's largest career Planning events, Burnaby Art Gallery Tours, BCTF presentation for parents on anti bullying
- 7. Chair's Report**
 - BCCPAC membership to be paid, conference will be @ Hilton in Burnaby
 - List-serve not administered by SFU
 - BCAA workshop for parents of teen drivers, see Janet
 - Walk to school October 8th – good nutrition & daily physical activity awareness
- 8. Treasurers Report –** gaming grants in progress
- 9. Principal's Report – Lynn Archer, Ron Hall, Mark Allen**
 - Thank you to PAC for their support
 - School composition – staffing based on 1171 students, 5 extra blocks added, 16 students not contacted yet, school full at grade 8 level, graded 12 increased by 100 over last years projection, grade 11 full, grades 9 and 10 numbers slightly down from projection, choir, band, English 12, Math Honors start @ 7.40 am, 2 portables added, 3 empty classrooms only for semester 2 expansion, staff @ 70, 14 new staff
 - Grade 8 Retreat on September 23 to Mount Seymour all day. 4 activities planned. Grant received for \$35,000 over 3 years

- Meet the teacher Sept 11th. 6-6.45 grade 8 parents study skills session to be presented by Nora Ryn & Helen Carroll, 7pm short into followed by parents meeting the teachers
- Healthy Schools Initiatives – New Company running the cafeteria, vending machines replaced by Fraser Valley Vending with Water, Milk, juices, Sugar free Root beer
- September 17th – display in atrium regarding the clubs and athletic teams, encourage our children to join
- School calendar – Success program 3.15 – 4pm starting again run by Ms Evans
- Scholarship session @ school in November, Ms O’Hare is the co-ordinator, check on line for opportunities
- Parent/Teacher interviews October 9th

10. DPAC – meeting on Monday September 29th

11. New Business

- . SPC Elections – Janet will stay on, check with Vicky and Lynn if they are staying on, meeting in September re: class sizes
- . Donation letter to be done again and PAC will pay postage, Janet will do letter and send to Lynn
- . PAC constitution – need committee to work on it, will add SPC to it. Janet will work on it and we will vote at next meeting

12. Adjourned – 8:35pm

Next meeting: October 6, 2008