

Sept 17 2018 Moscrop Secondary PAC Meeting

Introductions- 20 people in attendance

- Co- Chairs: Brian Li and Gigi Machtalerco chairs
- Treasure: Zhanna Litsukin
- Secretary: Sathya Priya Kittusami
- Administration: Paul Fester, Principal and Barry Callister, New VP
- DPAC rep: Herman Louie and Jennifer Lee
- Members at Large: Selena Tam and Tina Quan

Motion to adopt minute from May PAC meeting; moved by Herman Louie, second by Selena Tam.

Topics of Discussion:

Principal's Report: Mr. Fester

- All hiring complete
 - o New VP – Mr. Barry Callister. Mr. Callister taught for 16 years in the Science Department. He left 6 years ago and went to Burnaby South. He is happy to be back and finds that the students at Moscrop are respectful and socially responsible. Ms. Watson has moved to Cariboo High School.
 - o Ms. Hawkins has remained as the head of Counselling .
 - o Mr. Wayne Best continues in the role of the Safe school specialist. This role is a full time resource that works within the student population to ensure that everyone is feeling safe and comfortable.
- 1467 students enrolled.
 - o Not accepting cross district students.
 - o Full school – All class rooms are in use
 - o An increase of 30 students from the past year.
 - o Increase in Grade 8 enrollment from the previous year. In Burnaby there is growth in elementary students.

- Academic Placement (AP) – 15 offered last year, 400 AP exams, second largest in the district
- **School Highlights**
 - Last year a keen group of students at Moscrop brought forth the adoption of the use of sugar cane paper to help reduce the impact on the environment. Sugar cane paper has now been adopted as an option for the public sector to purchase. Initiative started here at Moscrop.
 - Attendance Autodialer which phones your house if a student misses class. It will be set up again this year.
 - School website is a great source of information.
<https://moscrop.burnabyschools.ca/>
 - PAC minutes are located on the website under parent section
 - Key event and current news items calendar and main page
 - Course info on the website
 - Athletic section
 - Club info NOTE: Club Day is on Oct 3rd and 4th and will be held at lunch time in the multi purpose room. Each new idea for a club is reviewed at caucus. Any student can start a club.
 - The district List server is used for email notification to ensure that you receive all communication from Moscrop this includes: Emergency notification, Education notification, the list also can send to grade specific information
 - Collaboration (Collab) is held for seven weeks each in October and January on Wednesday mornings. The first hour of the school day is collaborative; teachers work together to share information. The students have mentors (senior students) to give assistance with subjects.
 - This year, the Grade 9 students will review the Literacy assessment program. Each dept will take a Collab day and

they will review literacy then the Grade 9 teachers will then review the literacy material during their classroom time.

- Additional resources
 - Mathbc.ca reference Site – Award winning, information for all course. Password available from the teacher. Additional supporting information.
- **Key Events:** refer to school calendar on the web site and the MyMoscrop App. Some notable items are:
 - Sept 20th Study skills session 5:45 pm, then at 6:45 pm, walk thru schedule of classes – you have the opportunity for review the schedule and meet the teacher and preview the course.
 - Oct 2 Grade 8 retreat at Willingdon Church with a variety of topics. This is a chance to help integrate students from 8-9 different schools. Mentors will also be attending.
 - Oct 4th Gr 11/12 evening. This is an opportunity to meet other parents and review all things about graduation. What is required, post secondary details, provincial application process, school visit post secondary days, key dates,
 - Oct 11 Grade 8 Dance – Mixer a get time to meet new people. It starts 3:45-5:00. Other grade 8 events will be a Movie day at the Landmark and a year end event at Cultus Lake.
 - Nov 28th SOGI- Sexual Orientation Gender Identity event.
- **New this year:**
 - Moscrop App- smart phone app replaces the agenda, better use of technology. All calendar items are on the app. It can be downloaded from the Apple or Google store. myMoscrop It can:
 - Send notification to students and parents
 - Calendar can sync to your google calendar
 - Students can follow individual classes, Teacher can notify the students
 - Subscribe to groups- such as Scholarship groups which sends out the blog info and you can follow the group

- Report cards are available online – no printed report cards. Available on the portal more information will be sent out to parents
 - MyeducationBC. This site has Attendance, Marks. Get Reports such as Transcripts-
- Cash online is accepting credit cards. It will still accept banking transfer as well. REMINDER ALL SCHOOL FEES ARE NOW PAST DUE

Treasurer's report (Zhanna Litsukin)

Gaming grant provides funding to support extra curricular activities at the school

- CASH Online is set up to make a donation online. WE encourage each family to consider making a donation as the PAC does not do additional fund raising.

DPAC report – Herman Louie

- District PAC bring issues from our school to a common forum for discussion by all schools.
- Oct 10th there is a session on effective PAC meetings. Anyone that is interested please attend. It is at Burnaby Central High School. There will be a social from 6-7 pm, 7-9 pm will be introduction to how to run an effective PAC.

Other business

- Dry grad. Laurie Sheehan
 - Info is available on the school website <https://moscrop.burnabyschools.ca/parents/dry-grad-information/>
 - Highlights: event is held on June 14th immediately after dinner dance. Venue to be confirmed. Students completed a survey indicating Activities and Food were the most important items

- Social for Grade 11/12 parent to learn more about Graduation events, requirements and Dry Grad. Oct 4 starting at 6:15 pm. This event is lead by parents. Fundraising is required. Several sources of funding available. Mr. Fester confirmed that the application for the annual fund provide by BC Liquor commission fundraising campaign in May are completed by the administration.
- Contact the Dry Grad Parent Group at – moscropdrygrad@gmail.com
- Potential fundraising events. Looking for more ideas and volunteers to assist.
 - Fashion show- Dec
 - Ford Drive Event – TBD

Motions held

- 1) To adopt the minutes from the May PAC meeting. Moved by Herman Louie, seconded by Selena Tam.
- 2) To join BCCPAC for renewal of the annual membership moved by Laurie Sheehan, seconded by Mariah Battiston.
- 3) Secretary position filled by Sathya Priya Kittusami. Welcome Sathya

For questions you can contact the PAC email address
moscroppac@gmail.com

Next meeting: February 22, 2019

Meeting Adjoined: 8:22 pm