

Sir Winston Churchill Secondary School Parent Advisory Council (SWC PAC)

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SWC PAC Meeting

Tuesday, October 29, 2019 @ 7:00 pm

AGENDA

7:00 Welcome (Mr. Gurmit Sangha)

7:01 Faculty Update (Mr. Victor Lam, Mr. Connor Levesque)

- Currently, media blackout. Mediation occurring now, positive.
- Parents are asked to try to reach out to MLAs.
- New statistics on BCTF website class sizes, salary, student-teacher ratio

7:09 Outward Bound (Mr. Ian Cooper)

- 50th Anniversary self-discovery in natural world.
- On the west coast, they work with schools and First Nations. Run summer courses from 5-25 days, take kids out of comfort zone. Trips kayaking, canoeing, dog-sledding. 10 kids per course.
- It is a registered high school in Ontario, so kids who take courses over 15 days can receive high school credits.

7:14 Royal Canadian Sea Cadets (Lt. Jack Wong)

- Centennial anniversary.
- For 12-18 years old, government-funded, teach kids skills: leadership, fitness, maritime connection, sailing, seamanship, marine engineering, marksmanship, band, First Aid, ASD (abandon ship drill). Cadets not expected to enter military.
- Training nights, one night a week learn topics like basic drill, leadership, teamwork skills. Sailing weekends, boating, Remembrance Day Parade, Sports Night. Competitions - drill, band, international exchange. Scholarships and summer training - 2, 3 or 6-weeks
 - seamanship, sail, music, fitness, drill, ceremonial.

7:25 Scouts Canada (Mr. Vincent Wong)

- Youth-led character building citizenship and leadership
- Pacific Coast Council
- Age groups Beavers, Cubs, Scouts...
- 38 million scouts worldwide
- Learn how to be a mentor. Patrol leader plan camp and teach younger scouts.
- Venture Company organize programs and activities like bike trips, hikes.

7:31 Duke of Edinburgh Award (Mr. Craig McCulloch)

- In 1956, started by the Duke of Edinburgh.
- Open to those 14-24 years old community service, physical activity, leadership, developing skills.
- SWC contact Ms. M. Michalowska
- Over 130 countries in the world.
- Bronze, Silver and Gold levels get 2 high school credits for each level.

7:40 Student Update (Mr. Morgan Wu)

- Churchill Annual Halloween Dance encourage Grade 8s and 9s to go and mingle with older grades and have a good time.
- December Winter Assembly

7:46 Leo Club (Dr. Kenneth Liu)

- 1.4 million members in the world. We Serve.
- Started in 1917 by Melvin Jones, believed in service. 1923 first Canadian club.
- 2017 Centennial 5 major global causes:
 - diabetes, environment, hunger relief, childhood cancer, vision
- 24-hour relief \$10,000 for disaster
- Leo Club in SWC, sponsored by Vancouver Chinatown Lions Club.
- Leo Motto:
 - Leadership, Experience, Opportunity
- Positive Youth Development, 5 Cs:
 - Competence, Confidence, Connection, Character, Caring/Compassion, Contribution
- Alpha Leo Club: 12-18 years old
- Omega Leo Club: 18 30 years old

7:55 Assessment in BC (Ms. Annette Vey-Chilton, Ms. Denise Clark, Mr. David Nicks)

- Changes in BC Curriculum: Principles of Learning, Career Ed (CLC, Capstone), Health Ed, Numeracy and Literacy Assessments, communicating student learning.
- Promote learning, build relationships with students, positive and transparent. Shift in focus of assessment from content to competencies.
- Formative assessment quizzes, drafts, student-teacher conferences. This is to provide descriptive feedback to know where improvement is needed.
- Summative assessment report card. Ministry Scale 4-point report card— Emerging (Beginning), Developing, Proficient (Applying), Extending.
- Grade 8 report card change 4-point report card with comments and information. 3 term report cards will be continued. Possibly go to 2-term report cards. If only 2-term, will have Interim reports as well.
- Vancouver will remove the Honour Roll system in all VSB schools. SWC will not reinstate the Honour Roll system.
- Grades 10 to 12 report cards are a percentage system.

8:16 Principal's Update (Ms. Annette Vey-Chilton)

- Supporting incoming students with events.
- Knowledge, awareness, acceptance of Indigenous cultures. Orange Shirt Day discussions, etc.
- Teachers have embraced the new curriculum.
- Follow school on Instagram and Twitter, Churchill app.
- Graduate photos at Artona
- November 13 Block Rotation
- Math, Computing Contests
- Grade 9 Take Your Kids to Work Day
- Fire in the locker incident investigated by Fire and Police.

8:21 Other Business (Mr. Gurmit Sangha, Chair)

• PAC activities - Purdy's chocolates fundraiser to raise funds for PAC events, guest speakers, presenters, staff appreciation lunch.

8:22 Adjourn

• Next PAC Meeting: Tuesday, November 26, 2019 @ 7:00 pm