

**BYRNE CREEK SECONDARY SCHOOL
PARENT ADVISORY COUNCIL**

GENERAL MEETING MINUTES

September 10, 2007

Present:

Administration: Lynn Archer, Ron Hall, David Starr, Wayne Best, Lorraine Hodgson, Toni Grewal and Darrin Davies.

Parents: Tess Rogalsky, Melody Marbach, Janet Reid, Vicki Kreuzer, Naz Jakir, Carol Storseth, Lynn Kirkpatrick, Kelly Paukszto, Lisa Steel.

Students: Kathy Kang, Virginia Chiu, Vi Nguyen, Monika Cho.

- 1. Call to Order at 7:15pm.**
- 2. MSC to adopt agenda**
- 3. MSC to accept minutes**
- 4. Student's Report – Vi Nguyen & Monika Cho**
 - Grade 8 mixer will be held on Sept.24th.
 - Grade 8 student government elections.
 - Plans underway for first school dance.
- 5. Mentor's Report – Toni Grewal, Darrin Davies, Kathy Kang & Virginia Chiu**
 - Toni and Darrin co-host the mentor program.
 - Powerpoint presentation on how the mentoring program works.
- 6. Youth Services Worker – Wayne Best**
 - Gave a brief overview of his services.
 - Working on having a peacekeeper group within the students. They would identify problems and bring to the attention of the staff.
 - Anyone interested there is a Youth Services worker at Burnaby South who takes a group of students to Asia each year during spring break. Check their website if you are interested.
 - Coaches senior boys basketball and the cricket team.
- 7. Student Services – Lorraine Hodgson**
 - Right now working with students on making any course changes.
 - Requested course adjustments end Friday, September 14.
 - Learning Support Services offers after school tutoring from 3:15-4:00 pm Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday.
- 8. Vice Principal's Report – Ron Hall & David Starr**
 - The vice-principals' split the student load by alphabet as well as the councilors.
 - Work on timetables, school population (about 1150-1160 students including international),
 - New ACE-IT program for Graphics/Media.

9. Principal's Report – Lynn Archer

- Parent/Teacher walkabout on Thursday. Start in Centre for Dialogue with study skills then tour classrooms.
- 3-4 new staff members.
- Talked about HEART values.
- Exam results for grades 10, 11 and 12's went very well. Some students received provincial scholarships.
- The Governor Generals award went to Farah Khan.
- Legislation re: no smoking on school grounds. There never has been any smoking allowed on Burnaby District school grounds.
- SPC – need 3 people for this year. Will be meeting on Sept. 24th @ 3:30pm . Janet Reid, Vicki Kreuzer and Lynn Kirkpatrick volunteered.

10. President's Report – Tess Rogalsky

- Listserv set-up is ongoing. Janet will take over from Joanne and is trying to get information updated.
- Parent Voluntary Donation letter – Kelly made a motion we finalize letter with the executive and send it out. Seconded by Vicky. Carried.
- There will be a sign-up sheet for parents on Thursday to try to get more e-mail addresses. Janet will e-mail Joanne and ask if she can attend right at the beginning.

11. Adjourned –

8:45 p.m.

Next meeting: Oct. 1, 2007