



R. C. Palmer Secondary Parent Advisory Council

PAC Meeting - Minutes Tuesday, February 13, 2024 @7:00 pm School lounge

1. Meet and greet / Attendance.
 - Six people attended.
2. Approval of the previous minutes and adoption of the meeting agenda.
3. School update from the administration.

Mr. Ghaug discussed about:

 - Past events: Palmer Spotlight and Palmer Open House.
 - Palmer community is growing, with 990 students right now, and expecting to exceed 1,000 students by summer.
 - Having families and students trying to get a transfer says a lot about our school community: students, parents, and teaching staff.
 - The school has designed a strategy to optimize the use of classrooms, so teachers are using the rest area to prepare their classes, and the classrooms are being used only for classes.
Next year there may be some changes in the location of the classrooms.
 - Although there was first contact with the 2nd-semester teachers, parents are recommended to keep in touch with the teachers.
Parent-teacher conferences are scheduled on March 12th and 13th; parents are encouraged to make appointments with the semester 2 teacher, even if the student is doing well.
An email will be sent to parents informing them about the booking system and the effective dates for the process.
Please do not hesitate to contact the school for any issues with scheduling appointments or the online tool.



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- Between March 4th and 8th, there will be a Drama Production organized by the drama teacher and students from grades 8 to 12. They were involved in the production, preparation of the stage and scripts.
All parents are invited to watch the presentation.
- Grade 10 to 12 parents had received an email with the BC student learning survey. Students also received the survey, and G12 students had the opportunity to talk about the grad events.
- G12 students were informed about all aspects of grad preparation so that they could get involved in the process and make timely decisions so that the organizing committee could plan and organize.
The location for the graduation has changed.
- Palmer will receive students from DeBeck, General Currie and Garden City for the Incentive pre-test for new G8 on Wednesday, February 14th.
- A video from the School District Budget will be shared on the Palmer website. Parents are encouraged to watch the video and share their opinions.

4. Financial update

No update

5. RDPA update

- There is no meeting in February.
- The PAC 101 session took place on Tuesday, February 6th, with important information about the position of PAC Chair and Treasurer and activities such as Funding Raising and Dry After Grad.
They talked about the responsibilities of each position and the activities to be carried out in the committees.



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- Consent Education Parent Talk: The school district and the Exploitation Education Institute (EEI) are hosting a parent presentation reviewing the recently shared content with the students on February 28th.
- In-person events for parents and caregivers in Richmond will be held in February and March.
- Launch of the 2024 Richmond Community Celebration Grant Program - Applications are now open.

6. PAC update

- While PAC meetings are held on the second Tuesday of each month, proposals to change the date for the following school year are accepted. Proposals will be received no later than May.

7. Dry Grad Committee update

- Macaroon fundraiser race around \$ 370, increasing the Dry Grad Fundraiser slightly over \$2,000.
- The committee participated in the PAC 101 session in which contacts and relationships were created with the committees of other schools in the district to exchange knowledge and experiences.
- Parents of the Palmer community are invited to participate in the Dry Grad Committee and support the activities.
- The possibility of placing a concessionaire at future events, such as parent-teacher meetings or spring sports events, is being analyzed.
- The next Dry Grad meeting will be on Wednesday, the 28th.

8. Meeting adjourned @7:35pm

***Next PAC meeting April 9, 2024 @7:00 pm
School lounge***