

**Delta Secondary School
PAC General Meeting
Minutes – September 22nd, 2010**

Attendees

Hilary Cole (Chair)	Terry Ainge (Principal)	Shelley Franklin
Tricia Cowley (Vice-Chair)	Aaron Akune (Vice Principal)	Nadja Duffield
Earl Rempel (Co-Treasurer)	Carmina Berin	Ginette Beaucage
Karen McDonnell (Secretary)	Cyndi Smith	Lynn Crema
Muriel Wells (DPAC Rep)	Shelley Rodriguez	Wilma Moir
Marcia McCafferty (Past-Chair))	Kerry Cuthbert	Darlene Douglas
Barbara Norell (SPC Rep)	Sandy McDougall	Pat Lee/Semak
Karen Russell (SPC Rep)	Kim Leitner	Sylvia McCullough
Shelley Lee	Lynne Ellis	Selinda Lee-Tan
Joan Letendre		

DSS Career Centre – Yvette Livingston made a presentation to the PAC about the Career Centre. She works with grade 10 to 12 students with their career planning and the Grad Transition Plan. She is new to the position this year. She is going to be opening the Career Centre for Drop In assistants on Wednesday evenings from 6pm to 8pm starting on October 6th. For further information contact – ylivingston@deltasd.bc.ca .

Preparing Students for Scholarship Applications – These two- 2 hour sessions is conducted by Yvette Livingston and run through Continuing Education. The sessions are:

October 18/19	7pm to 9pm	South Delta Secondary
October 20/21	7pm to 9pm	Seaquam Secondary

Principal's Report – Terry Ainge

- Grade 8 BBQ held after school. The Leadership students organized activities for the grade 8 students that attended.
- Course Change Requests - a new process has been initiated that requires the student to submit a letter from the parent/guardian requesting a course change with a rationale for the change.
- There are several new teachers at DSS this year. Here is the list and the subjects that they will be teaching
 - Ms. Nicole Cruz - Spanish
 - Ms. Sachie Motohashi – Science
 - Ms. Catherine Campbell – Band
 - Ms. Rebecca Salton – Drama & English
 - Mr. Mark LeBourdais – Drama & English
 - Ms. Jennifer Heiden – Learning Assistance & Strategies
 - Ms. Jinny Peters – Core Program & Aboriginal Support
 - Ms. Erin Rohwer – Counselor
 - Ms. Heather Colls – Counselor
- Daily Announcements – The process for the daily announcements and posting the information on the DSS website has changed this year. In the past, the office staff performed this function but the office is running with one less staff member this year so Student Helpers are learning to perform these duties. These students are currently training to do the job of posting and that we hope to have the announcements back on the school website soon.
- Smart Board – The Smart board has arrived and is awaiting installation in Mrs. Khara's math & science classroom.

- Sports Teams – DSS is always eager to speak to parents, past students or anyone interested in helping to coach any of the high school teams. There is currently a specific need for Grade 9 Boys Basketball coach, Grade 8 Boys & Girls Volleyball coaches. Please contact Mr. Salt (DSS Athletic Director – asalt@deltasd.bc.ca) if you are interested.
- Enrollment this year (Total – 1,411)
 - Grade 12 318
 - Grade 11 308
 - Grade 10 267
 - Grade 9 298
 - Grade 8 220

Chair Report

- The PAC Executive is still looking to fill the Communications position. Here are the roles of the Communication Coordinator.
 - responsible for providing Terry Ainge with the information to appear on the PAC page of the DSS Newsletters
 - shall send out Parent Educational Opportunities and Event information
 - shall assist in the monitoring of the e-mail system (First Class)
- DSS Alumni – A DSS Alumni organization has been formed this year. Anyone that is interested in participating should contact dssalumni@gmail.com or 604 946 7805.
- Pacer Pride Donation – The PAC is asking parents for a donation to the PAC again this year. That year the PAC was able to purchase a Smart board with some of the funds received through donation. If you are able to get the donation form into the office by September 30th, you will be entered into a draw for a \$50 Black Bond Gift card.

DPAC Report

DPAC and DeltaAssist are working together to host two presentations of internationally recognized speaker Barbara Coloroso - <http://www.kidsareworthit.com/> . The sessions will be held November 8th & 9th. Mark these dates on your calendar, more information on how to purchase tickets will be provided at the October PAC meeting.

School Tour

Terry Ainge took us on a tour of the school. We saw the following areas, cafeteria,, textiles classroom, cooking classroom, computer classroom, Wood shop, Auto shop, and two science classrooms. It was a very interesting and informative tour.

Meeting adjourned at 9:00 pm.

Next Meeting in October 20th, 2010 – 7:00pm in the DSS Library

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