

SUTHERLAND SECONDARY SCHOOL PARENT ADVISORY COUNCIL

MEETING MINUTES

January 20, 2025

Virtual via Google Meet

PAC Executive in attendance:

Chair: Jennifer Rodger
VP: Tanya Henderson
Secretary: Tina Craig
Treasurer: Carly Philip

DPAC Rep: Empty

1. **Welcome – Meeting is called to order 7:00pm**

- Jen welcomed all those in attendance

2. **Administration Report** (Mark Barrett, & Shannon Smart)

- Enhanced program Night previous week at Carson, if missed connect with Justin Wong
- Finished installing new oversized lockers in gym
- Grad assessments held on Jan 20th
- Winter athletics sports are basketball and ski team
- Performing Arts recent performance Mount Olympus dinner
- January 30th new semester starts
- Staff Announcement: Cora Pross moving to Carson to be the IB Coordinator moving in two weeks
- Currently recruiting a new VP

3. **Staff Update** (Mr. Jared Abreu, Explorer 10)

- Course is combination of social 10, and 11, two blocks
- Hands on learning, and work experience component (30 hours)
- Team building, leadership and resiliency focus
- Only 60 spots, lottery to get in

4. **Staff Update** (Ms. Shannon Smart, VP)

- Course selection time
- Councilors connecting with children during tutorial time to go over course selection
- Parent presentation February 4th

- Students will receive paper form with their name to record their course request, needs to be signed by parents and returned to office by February 28th
 - Online planning tool available and after school info session
5. **Staff Update** (Ms. Khatija, Grade 12 and 8 councilor)
- Grade 12 working through finals, and hearing about secondary applications
 - Grade 12's still missing baby pictures and quotes for yearbook, end of month Grade speech must be submitted
 - Scholarship deadline extended until end of January 20, 2025
 - Reminder June 19th Grad ceremony, June 21st banquet
 - Bake sale hosted by Grads in February to offset banquet cost
 - Student council raised money for NS Family Services in December, raised \$1600
 - Candy Grams start Feb 3rd handed out Feb 13th
6. **Treasurer's Report** (Carly Philip)
- Bank Account balances:
 - Gaming \$21,405.58
 - Other \$6,998.55 *
- *(does not include \$700 Neufeld cheque)
7. **Fundraising Report** (Tanya Henderson, Vice Chair)
- No new information
8. **Chair's Report** (Jen Rodger, Chair)
- No new information
9. **General Comment**
- None
10. **Open discussion – any comments?**

Meeting adjourned at 7:33 pm

Next meeting scheduled for March 3rd, 2024