

## Handsworth PAC Minutes May 15th, 2023 General Meeting

### 1. Chair-person Report

It has been another great year and it has been fantastic to see a resumption of much of the in person activities like performing arts , clubs and athletics that are so important to many of our students! My report will touch on the following:

- Hot Lunch
- Teacher Appreciation
- HPAC meetings
- ATF Advocacy

#### Hot Lunch:

This year the hot lunch program continued to operate 3 days a week until the cafeteria opened in February. The contract with Canuel Catering, the cafeteria contractor, stipulated that we would only be allowed to operate hot lunch two days a month for fundraising. Thanks to Velda and the hot lunch team who advocated strongly more fundraising days we have been able to add Monday's for the rest of the school year.

This program would not have been possible without our hot lunch team: Velda Williams and Christine Buckley and all the hot lunch volunteers. Thank you! Program raised much needed funds to support the school athletics programs.

#### Teacher Appreciation:

Held a couple of teacher appreciation events.

- In October we provided donuts and coffee during the Parent Teacher Interviews!
- At the end of June we will hold our annual staff appreciation lunch. Thank you to Shannon who is organizing this event! June 28; boxed lunches.

Parents can contribute money through munchalunch and/or baked goods for dessert!

#### HPAC Meetings:

All but one of our HPAC meetings were held on Zoom this year. The meeting of September 26 was the only in person meeting.

Some of the guest speakers and topics covered this year included:

Stacey Schwegler- role of the Counsellor

Sofia Frith- Grad Council and Project Backpack

Jessica Bratty- ATF Advocacy during municipal election

Mike Forsyth- AP Program

Budget meeting- Gaming funding recommendations

Foundry Presentation: Tara Boddington and Nicole Kennedy

Jagruiti Desai- Proposed Security Camera Locations in the School

Hotlunch Funding Allocations to Athletics

Gaming Grant

Funding Part 2

Simon Worley- Business Education

Sal Audia- Law 12

Stephanie Jansen (Alaire Advising)- How Post-Secondary Advising can assist parents and students.

Artificial Turf Field Advocacy: The HPAC ATF committee was successful in advocating for the ATF. We started more than one and a half years ago with conversations with the SD, presentations to the SD, presentation to the DNV, meetings with Jordan Back, advocacy during the Municipal Elections in October, more meetings with the Mayor and Jonathon Wilkinson in December, advocacy at the Council meetings January through March. Our work paid off! Handsworth ATF is now budgeted! I want to thank Jess Bratty, Erin Stevenson, and Shane Lowry and the committee for all the hard work you did in advocating for this!

The Approved Financial plan can now be viewed here:

<https://www.dnv.org/our-government/financial-plan-budget>

\$500,000 has been allocated towards installation of an ATF at Handsworth for 2023; another \$4.5 M is allocated in 2025

In closing I want to acknowledge the outgoing HPAC members: Jana Madill- Treasurer, Jacquie Griffiths- Co-Chair, Amanda Nicol- MAL, Velda- Communications & Hot Lunch, Jessica Bratty- MAL,

## 2. Treasurer Report:

Handsworth PAC-Finance Report to the General Membership

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Current Overview

### 1. General Overview

- HPAC only ran one major fundraising campaign: Teacher's Luncheon – donations cover 80% of costs, with HPAC reserves covering any balance
- Legacy / Gift to New School was deferred for 2023/24 parents
- Hot Lunch continuance has enabled HPAC to support Athletics programs, freeing up gaming funds for all other requests
- With limited hot lunch funding in 2023/24 equal distribution of gaming funding will become more important and will limit HPAC's ability to fully fund requests:
  - i. Clubs & Extracurricular
  - ii. School based special requests
  - iii. Performing Arts: Music, Dance, Drama
  - iv. Athletics: Equipment, Teams
- Two recurring/usual funding areas were managed through other sources and did not require HPAC general funding: G8 Retreat/Welcome was sufficiently funded via Gaming; Grad 23 was sufficiently funding through parent events/donations
- Parent Grad finances/bank accounts were successfully transferred to HPAC for oversight and a signing officer; account will be left with funds available for new Class of '24 committee to support early event deposits

- HPAC continues to invest in BCCPAC, supplies to support the Hot Lunch program (like updated Square reader), and Munch-A-Lunch which also supports other Club fundraising/sales throughout the year
- HPAC is seeking a new Treasurer

## 2. ACCOUNTS TO DATE:

### GENERAL ACCOUNT:

July 1 (NEW YEAR) - \$5,499.06 + \$10,000 (Investments)

Earned YTD - \$250.92 (Interest)

Spent YTD - \$1649.76 (Volunteer Appreciation & Subscriptions: Website was a 3-year not annual renewal so much more than normal)

Balance YTD - \$14,100.22

YE Projection - \$12,000

- Revenue/Expenses still to come: Teacher's Luncheon, Appreciation

### GAMING ACCOUNT:

July 1 (NEW YEAR) - \$1,764.16

Earned YTD - \$29,520.00 (New Funding)

Spent YTD - \$17,192.21 (Distributed Funds)

Balance YTD - \$21,661.11

Earmarked Approved Funds to be spent before year-end - \$7,687.79

YE Projection - ~\$6,000

- Revenue/Expenses still to come: Balance of pre-approved funding

### HOT LUNCH ACCOUNT:

July 1 (NEW YEAR) - \$24,584.46

Earned YTD Food Sales - \$157,242.66 (New Sales)

Earned YTD Fundraising BPAC/Grad - \$7,191.73

HL Spent YTD - \$94,825.36 (Vendor/Fundraising Payments & expenses)

Vendor Outstanding - \$34,703.33

Athletics Approved YTD - \$27,675

Athletics Prior Year & YTD Spent - \$14,660.43

Balance YTD - \$28,120.16

YE Projection - ~\$25,000

- Revenue/Expenses still to come: Balance of pre-approved funding

## 3. Principal's Report:

-Thank you to Jacquie and Carmen for your time over the past years of time on HPAC

-Incoming 300 grade 8's French Immersion was limited and English is open.

Growth by 50 students approx 1525 student in total

-Rainbow sidewalk at front of school- Reveal event in June During pride month  
-Moose Hide day- recognizes violence against women especial indigenous Golden ribbon day  
-Sole Street was an outstanding production: So great to see the home theater come to life  
-Mock Crash in on May 26th at lunch encouraging safe driving  
Field- topsoil has the smell of nature. Fortis has been in to assure there are no leaks.  
Plan to still have a grass lawn with no irrigation will have to be mindful of usage  
Concern from the floor about games being canceled due to weather. Admin will continue to ask for outdoor space.

4. Guest Speaker: Meh Najak, NVRC on Volunteering for Summer Camps

Presentation will be on the HPAC page

- Volunteer particularly with summer camps but also opportunities year round
- Benefit of volunteer- help community, test drive careers, polish job ready skills, leadership skills, upgrade portfolio, graduation requirements, connections for future employment opportunities.
- Volunteers can choose location, weeks and age group minimum 3 year age gap. Request a minimum of 2 weeks.
- Volunteers are trained and set up for success
- Application process - application, 2 reference, code of conduct, police information check, camp preferences and photo release form
- Parents can encourage, support and help
- Ensure your student knows the expectations and commitment. Coach from behind the scenes
- Minimum age is 14
- Apply now for summer programming. August/September for year round training

5. Adjournment of meeting - followed by refreshments in grand commons