

# **IHUB PAC MEETING – APRIL 8, 2013**

In Attendance: Mr. Truss, Ms. Husband, Arlyss Turner, Jason Turner (Shauna), Sandra Baker (Wilson), Theresa Wong (Alannah), Brian and Gabriella Klym (Shekinah), Trevor and Kira Howe, Shauna (Student)

Regrets: Lorna Wou (Secretary) / Sandra took minutes in Lorna's absence

Chaired by: Jason Turner

Called to order – 7:09pm

Approved Minutes – Arlyss / Sandra

## **1. Introductions**

## **2. Principal's Report**

Mr. Truss briefly reviewed his request / clarification for contact information sent out to parents. He wanted to ensure that school information was being circulated to the appropriate e-mails. He also wanted to confirm that it was ok for individual parent e-mails to be shared with other parents when communicating events being organized by the PAC.

1. **Tuesday April 16<sup>th</sup>** – Student Led Conferences 4pm to 7:30pm. There will be an early dismissal at 2pm on this day.

The school is looking at formatting this in a different way than traditionally done. They are going to be sharing some presentations from 5:15pm to 6pm and they hope that parents can all attend this added event. Their suggestion is to either start the student led conference at 4:30 and join them afterwards for the presentations, or to attend the presentations and then conduct the student led conferences after 6pm. If that doesn't work for parents are welcome to come earlier or later, or just attend the student led conference.

**Please let Carolyn ([CReibenschuh@sd43.bc.ca](mailto:CReibenschuh@sd43.bc.ca)) in the office know what time you plan to attend on next Tuesday:**

4pm – 5:15	Student Led Conference Times
5:15 – 6pm	Presentations
6pm – 7:30	Student Led Conference Times

2. **Friday April 19<sup>th</sup>** – Professional Development Day – No School for students.
3. **Thursday April 25<sup>th</sup>** – Report Cards go out.
4. **Friday April 26<sup>th</sup>** – This is the tentative day set for the Community Garden build. Families are invited to come and help construct the flower beds and help with getting the garden set up. Here are a few details:

- The date is tentative and will be confirmed during a presentation on April 16<sup>th</sup>.
- 11am start – Hot Dog BBQ (Parents welcome)
- 3pm – 7pm After school volunteers (Parents, families, and incoming families for next year welcome)
- 5:30 Hamburger BBQ and pot luck (more information to come)
- Follow progress of the garden at <http://green.inquiryhub.org/>

Students are in the process of preparing additional information including a call-out for gardening supplies / equipment such as shovels and wheel barrows. Parents experienced in gardening and /or building raised beds are also being encouraged to volunteer.

#### Other items:

1. System has been set up for students to submit funding requests for thier projects (using form developed by students) for parents to review and vote on.

<http://pacfunds.inquiryhub.org> (password: **ihubparent**)

Proposed process : Students submit application to student leadership group; they pass the application on to Mr. Truss who posts it online; parents then provide comment and decide outcome. Note the email options to keep you connected to new items. Initial login and sign-up is requiried in order to receive automatic notices / updates on application.

Comment was made regarding adding the question 'Have you applied for PAC funds before?' since application will be anonymous.

2. Wish list – Teachers would like a 2TB Memory Drive for our wireless set-up

Mr. Truss to review whether or not this is a PAC action item.

3. Badminton club – Thursdays after school 3-4pm – All families and friends welcome.

4. Coquitlam School District: School Conditions Survey for Parents

<http://fluidsurveys.com/s/Coquitlam-School-Conditions-Parents/>

Ms. Husband indicated that this survey was being conducted to gather input from parents on upcoming budget discisions for the school district.

5. Course Offerings – Will be reviewed this Friday with students.

An Independent Directed Study (IDS) course is an extension of one or more learning outcomes in an existing Grade 10, 11 or 12 course (available for either Ministry Authorized or Board Authorized courses). The course must be rigorous, well thought-out and developed through a consultative process involving the student and the teacher. IDS would work well with Inquiry projects as it is not based just on course work and encourages creativity.

6. Summer School Offerings are now available for review and sign-up

[www.summerlearningcoquitlam.ca](http://www.summerlearningcoquitlam.ca)

Summer school is a great option for students who work well independently as the courses are quite intense and require dedication from the student.

7. Registration for "Parenting The Net Generation - What makes our kids Click" is required at <http://dpac43davesands.eventbrite.ca/> on April 22 from 7-9 p.m. in the Gallery Room at Winslow Centre in Coquitlam.

Presentation is being sponsored by DPAC and all parents are encouraged to sign up if interested.

### **3. Old Buisness**

1. Family donation program for PAC funds

Instead of doing individualized fundraising throughout the year, each family would be asked to provide a specific amount. Lorna volunteered to organize a survey using Survey Monkey and forward to Mr. Truss to be distributed to all parents. Further discussion to be held at AGM for September

2. School Planning Committee

To be added as AGM agenda item at end of this year for implementation next year as iHub is currently defined as part of the LINC School Planning Committee. iHub may need to address their own specific issues / ideas.

3. Family Social BBQ

Mr. Truss indicated that the school would like to hold a BBQ for current and new students / families later in the year when the weather gets warmer.

### **4. New Business**

- Ms. Husband has identified a source for bigger lockers (1/2 size) that can be moved and installed at the school.
- Jason will be preparing the gaming report / request for gaming funds at the end of the month. Ms. Husband to forward student numbers to Jason for inclusion in the application.
- Discussion was held regarding ideas for introducing new parents of incoming students to the PAC and providing the opportunity for them to get involved in the AGM. Ideas included: sending out welcome and invite to the next PAC / AGM meeting in June; and providing information at upcoming school events such as the BBQ / gardening day.

## **5. Items for AGM**

- Family Once Per Year Contribution for Fundraising
- School Planning Committee Creation

**Date for Next Meeting = Monday, June 3 at 7pm**

**Adjourned at 8.30pm**

# **IHUB PAC AGM MEETING – June 3 , 2013**

In Attendance: Mr. Truss, Arlyss Turner, Jason Turner (Shauna), Michelle Unrau (Josh), Christine Scott (William Harrison), Jay Draper, Barb Johnston (Sophia Drapu), Gabriellea Klym, Brian Klym (Shakinah), Katherine Isaac (Nolan and Kenni Isaac-Smith), Joey Sims (student), Cathy Hoy (Joey), Daesik Jang (Jay), Sandra Baker (Wilson), Lorna Wou, Warren Wou (Liam and Owen)

Chaired by: Jason Turner

Called to order – 7:10pm

## **1. Introductions**

## **2. Administrator's Report**

- Clarification – Mr Truss is the vice-principal of COL, online course, summer school, iHub
- Highlights of year – growth of garden, garden building day (photos shown)
  - involved teachers, students, future students, mayor of Coquitlam
- Mr. Truss showed green inquiry website = <http://Green.InquiryHub.org>
- Next year, teachers intend to encourage growth of blogs. Mr. Truss showed 1 minute video about Garden Project.
- Mr. Truss drew attention to:
  - <http://inquiryhub.org>. He encourages parents to check out [INDEPENDENT DIRECTED STUDY](#) tab which will display work associated with this 2 credit courses for next year.
  - [CALENDAR](#) tab
  - [twitter](#) and [facebook](#) links
  - [HUBblog](#) tab

### **Other Happenings**

- Mr Jang (Jay's dad) – teaching students to program apps
- some connections coming from SFU
- Mr. Soiseth – iHub Reads – trying to convince other students that their choice of book should be part of the curriculum. Mr. Truss' role was to integrate digital literacy for the iHub Reads presentations rather than directly teaching digital concepts.
- Mr. Truss has been coaching Badminton team recently.

- Activity bins have been developed by students (independent activities). It was part of new student visit schedule.
- Next year's students visit was last week. It was organized by students.
- Jay has been entertaining with piano playing

### Working On

- course selection – will be trying to work on needs in house
- arranging upcoming provincial exam participation and course completion
- field trip / team building planning in progress for start of next year
- more course development – iHub staff are happy with direction from province (inline with iHub vision)
- IDS expert – Mr. Schoenhals (3D game design) – will be presenting professional development for iHub teachers. Mr. Halls does weekend events to support his 3D courses and, if there is enough participation from iHub students, he may come to iHub rather than the students going to Heritage Woods Secondary.

### Questions

- Jason asked about provincial exam logistics. Mr. Truss answered that some exams might be at Monty. Some exams will be offered at iHub facility.
- Lorna asked if students will have the option to do exams in January or June. Mr. Truss answered yes and that students may also have the opportunity to complete exams in other months when offered by Coquitlam Open Learning.
- Gabrielle asked what changes Mr. Truss sees for next year. Mr. Truss answered that the biggest change will be around how courses are offered:

Eg. students will have the choice between completing requirements by working on a teacher-suggested topic inquiry, his/her own inquiry, or original online component (a lot more teacher guided inquiry and moving towards student directed as needed from student-to-student)

-also potential for FOCUS TIME which would be time for students who have lower than grade skills, giving them more small group work, directed with teacher supervision.

- also giving students freedom vs. holding onto reins when needed

## **2. Old Buisness**

### **FUNDRAISING SURVEY**

- to be created regarding desire to do one time donation instead of fund raising ( in progress – Lorna - \$10 -20)

### **CASINO GRANTS**

- Jason informed group that the iHub has to be in existence for one year to be eligible to apply for grants. Jason will start this process in September.

### **OTHER**

- Michelle suggested a single fundraising event to build community .

## **3. New Business**

LOCKERS – Mr. Truss stated that they are not here yet but are coming this summer (half size)

GAMING REPORT – Jason stated that the report needs to be finished. Siignatures to be from newly elected executive.

SCHOOL PLANNING COMMITTEE– will need iHub rep for COL School Planning Committee (Ms. Husband to clarify)

### **OTHER**

– Sandra asked if there is any year end wrap up planned such as Cultas Lake activity. Mr. Truss responded that the students were thinking about a hike at Grouse. Leadership students said they would prefer to do next year. Mr. Truss will consult with the students to see if they would like to consider any other activities.

## **4. Executive Elections**

Available Positions:

Chairperson  
Vice- Chairperson  
Treasurer  
Secretary  
DPAC Rep

MOTION: (Lorna/Sandra); To allow two members of the same family on the executive but only one with signing authority. Passed unanimously.

#### Nominations and Results

- DPAC – Michelle Unrau - unanimous
- Secretary – Arlyss- unanimous
- Treasurer - vacant
- Chair – Jason – unanimous
- Vice Chair – Michelle – unanimous

Jason asked Mr. Truss to arrange:

- For PAC minutes to be posted on iHub website
- For PAC email address to be available on website

Mr. Truss will add [PAC@INQUIRYHUB.ORG](mailto:PAC@INQUIRYHUB.ORG) and it will be connected to an email of one of new exec.

Arlyss asked if there is any confirmation on location of PAC bank accounts,.

Jason suggested VANCITY – close to iHub,

Christine added that VANCITY focusses on corporate social responsibility and community,  
Michelle will check previous PAC banking experiences.

## **5.ITEMS FOR SEPT MEETING**

- call for nomination for treasurer
- review of PAC page on website
- review of STUDENT REQUEST page on website

**Date for Next Meeting = Mon, Sept 16, 2013 at 7pm**

**Adjourned 8.15PM**



# Administrator's Report

Mr. Truss

June 3, 2013

PAC Meeting

# Garden Build Day





















[Http://Green.InquiryHub.org](http://Green.InquiryHub.org)

<http://InquiryHub.org>

<http://HUBblog.inquiryhub.org>



Other happenings:

Mr. Jang – Teaching students to program Apps

Mr. Soiseth – iHub Reads

Mr. Truss/Khalili – Badminton

Mr. Sarte – Math/Science/Challenge Bins



(Calendar Reminder)



## Other happenings: Next year's student visit



# Currently working on:

- Course selection
- Upcoming Provincials/Course completion
- Field Trip / Team Building Planning
- More course development
- IDS Expertise

All PAC executive positions will be up for election. These positions include:

A. Chairperson

B. Vice-Chairperson

C. Treasurer

D. Secretary

E. District Parent Advisory Council  
Representative