



**SAIL PAC Meeting Minutes**  
**Surrey District Education Building**  
**Tuesday October 23, 2018 at 6:30 pm**

Present: Rex Hayes, Karin Tischler, Gurjit Pattar, Harry Pattar, Vincent Pu,  
Kyle Exner, Meredith Laird, Jasbir Singh Dhaliwal, Sarvpreet Saini, Vahit  
Sametoglu, Kyle Exner

1. Welcome and Introductions

2. Principal's Report

- Update on numbers. STEAM and STEAMX numbers have not changed. 30 students in STEAM and 30 students in STEAMX.
- Compass program 1120 DL courses being taken by 279 students by Compass Students
- Met with principal at elementary level. 2 primary with 16 students each. 2 intermediate with 20 students each. 167 students on waitlist to get in.
- Will be meeting to see if vision for program changes. Decision will be based on space availability.
- Parents brought up that we need to bring the need for this program at the district level and school board level.
- Parent asked if we can look at different programs that might appeal to students who will be exited from STEAM.
- STEAM Students can apply for STEAMX if they want.
- A handful of students in STEAM and STEAMX are from out of district.
- Parent Portal. Student information portal that lets you see your child's report card. Parents will receive login information through email to access student report cards. Report cards are Nov 22, 2018. This is not the same as the moodle password. Student id will be their surreyschools email address.
- PAC Gaming Funds. Teachers have until Dec 2<sup>nd</sup> to apply
- Next Wednesday will be Pumpkin carving contest. Students will each be provided with a pumpkin to carve and bring home
- Will try to have one teacher at each PAC meeting to provide overview of what they are doing. Possibly students can present as well
- Someone from PAC had asked for photos of students working? **ACTION:** Merdith will look into this.
- Mr. Hayes is learning more about the program. He commends the students and their work habits.
- Parent inquired about lab space. There was never scientific lab space dedicated for this area. Teachers take students to field trips etc.

3. President's Report

a. Communication with PAC

- a. school website: <https://sailacademy.ca/category/pac/>
- b. email/Facebook. **ACTION: Karen Can you provide links for these?**

b. DPAC update

- 4<sup>th</sup> Wed of every month the District PAC meets at DEC 7pm-9pm. First meeting is for newly elected members. Our new DPAC was elected in Spring. They want to make more resources available for parents online. We may find support at DPAC meetings. They will meet with provincial level of DPAC as well. Everyone is welcome to attend. One vote per school. They are working on website that they are working on populating with sample constitutions etc...
  - Recommended that we pay fee of \$75 to join BCCPAC. Deadline to join is first week of December.
- c. SAIL Elementary and SAIL Secondary co-ordination
- request from parents re process for transition from elementary to secondary level. Per Mr. Hayes Grade 7 students from SAIL elementary will be transitioned into STEAM 8.
- d. We have received \$6600 in gaming funds. Combined with previous year we have \$10,580.
4. Elections for PAC Executive
- a. Call for nominations
  - b. Election of President, Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer
    - President: Karin Tischler
    - Vice-President: Vahit Sametoglu
    - Secretary: Gurjit Pattar
    - Treasurer: Kyle Exner
5. Any other business
- Next PAC meeting will be November 20, 2018 at 6:30 at District Education Program.
  - Motion proposed to participate via SKYPE or Google hangouts. Then an amendment needs to be made to constitution if we are to allow people to vote.
    - o **ACTION:** Mr. Hayes to check if he can have a student set this up.
  - Discussion about approaching School Board regarding space issues for SAIL program. Possibility about decentralizing COMPASS program to allow STEAM to grow into STEAM10.
    - o **ACTION:** Karin will speak to previous DPAC president to gather information before next PAC meeting
    - o **ACTION:** Mr. Hayes will relay our concerns to Superintendent and report back at November 20, 2018 meeting.

Next Meeting November 20, 2018 at 6:30 pm at District Education Centre.