

KSS PAC DRAFT Minutes
Annual General Meeting May 9, 2023

In Attendance: Mr. Scott Parker, Cheryl Gawley, Susan Zimmerman, Lori Raible, Carrie Broughton, Wayne Broughton, Abbey Westbury, Norah Bowman, Valary Chidwick, Jamie Bush, Robyn Springer, Cassaundra Scheibe, Myrna Stark Leader, Pavla Horak. Regrets: Sarah Marriott, Cat Marrs, Matthew Kresina, Dave Cochrane, Maureen O'Hanley Doucette

Meeting Called to order: 6:41pm

Indigenous Land Acknowledgement

Motion to adopt the Agenda for the May 9, 2023 PAC Meeting by Jayme Bush; Abbey Westbury 2nd the motion.

Motion to adopt the AGM Minutes from May 2022 by Carrie Broughton; 2nd by Valary Chadwick.

Motion to adopt the April 2022 Minutes by Abbey Westbury; 2nd by Susan Zimmermann.

Principal's Report: Mr. Scott Parker

- 1.) Airband 2023 - was a great success and the school was happy to have the event return to KSS after the COVID restrictions
- 2.) AP Exams are currently wrapping up for the year
- 3.) The KSS Theatre Department is putting on the play 'Clue' and runs concluding with a matinee on Saturday
- 4.) Grade 12 Grad Prom is on the horizon and it is shaping up to have a high attendance with likely over 500 Grads attending the event
- 5.) Indigenous Visual Arts Course - KSS has submitted a course application to the Ministry of Education that if approved will be offered to all schools in the Province as part of the options for the new Indigenous course requirements

Executive Reports

Chair: Sarah Marriott: Regrets, sent a message: We need to replace our executive for the coming school year, since most of us will be leaving KSS.

Treasurer: Cheryl Gawley: \$3811.68 remains unallocated for the 2022-23 school year in the KSS Gaming Account. Not all allocated funds have been spent, however; and teachers are being reminded to spend their money and/or turn in their receipts.

Athletic Chair: Lori Raible: In the 2022-2023 year we saw the return to sport as usual. The return of spectators allowed school spirit to grow again at KSS.

All of the individual sport's accomplishments have been shared throughout the year not only in the WHO's news but also on the KSS Athletics website that can be found at kssowlsathletics.com

The PAC was able to fund through gaming: new basketball uniforms, an elevated camera for recording sporting events, yoga equipment, croquet equipment as well as some guest instructors.

A highlight of this year was a return of the basketball tournament in Spring of 2023.

On a personal note I have enjoyed serving on the KSS PAC for the last 5 years. I would encourage anyone to take the leap and be part of your child's school community in whatever way you can.

Academic Chair: Susan Zimmermann: In the 2022/23 school year, the KSS PAC allocated \$8636 in BC Gaming funds to the Academic Department. Funds were used for field trips and cultural experiences, books for the Avid Reader Club, guest speakers, a debate tournament, a satellite phone, and a 3D printer.

It has been wonderful to see the students able to go on field trips and attend competitions, now that the pandemic restrictions have been removed.

It has been an honor and privilege to serve on the KSS PAC for the last 4 years!

Fine Arts Chair: Abbey Westbury:

Journalism (Dustin Shevchuk) – Podcast room is set up and the equipment has been ordered. We helped to purchase a 4-person podcast station, including mics, headphones, cables, a Bluetooth adapter, and a tripod. He turned a former storage room into a sound booth, so that Journalism students and non-Journalism kids with an interest in audio can record stories and shows.

Music (Shelia French & Lisa-Joy Dubois) – Choral dresses were purchased and have been used for events throughout the year.

Guitar Club (Kay) – We bought strings and pedals for the guitars and amps. They didn't spend as much as they requested, but I am not sure why. Presumably, they're all playing fully-stringed guitars!

PaperCuts (Jillian Franz) – We allotted \$750 to the student-produced literary magazine, as we have in the past. That money has not been spent, I am not certain if that is actually going to happen this year. I believe it will be produced at the end of the year, so we may just be waiting.

Art (Tim Mayer) – We did not purchase anything for the Art department this year, but the end-of-year roundup from that end is that 250 kids took Art this year, producing roughly 5,000

pieces. Currently, 20 KSS students have their work on display at the Art Gallery (until June 18). Grade 12 students are continuing the KSS tradition of illustrating descriptive writing pieces from Warren Sookichoff's grade 1's at Casorso Elementary. Visual Art students have also created various pieces in the school, we are continuing to develop a mural for the staff room. KSS students regularly contribute work for Harmony Day in SD 23.

Drama (Elliott) – the Night Owl production, Clue!, directed by James Long, opens tonight (it was postponed due to Covid), and will run through this Sunday's matinee.

The Arts faculty says a hearty, "Thank you for supporting the Fine Arts!"

Indigenous Chair: Maureen O'Hanley Doucette: Indigenous Chair position summary:

Approximately 7 - 10 days prior to each PAC meeting, reach out to the Indigenous department head for past and upcoming events within the department. Currently the department contact is Rob Bennett. Present the report at the PAC meeting.

May 2023 Indigenous report

- May 5 was Canada's National Day of Awareness of Missing & Murdered Indigenous Women & Girls & 2-Spirited People (also called Red Dress Day) so students were encouraged to wear red in acknowledgement
- May 11 is Moose Hide Campaign across Canada to end violence against women and children; Canadians are encouraged to wear a moose hide pin to show support
- May 25 is Indigenous Grad at KSS, 5 - 8:30pm; we are sharing the celebration with OKM indigenous students and families
- planning is underway for Truth & Reconciliation Week at the end of September 2023 via the Truth & Reconciliation Advisory Committee
- new Indigenous course offerings are available in September 2023
- Indigenous Inquiry Project Outdoor Classroom continues with design work and planning. Donations can be made via School Cash Online or at the KSS office

Student Support Chair: David Cochrane: see below

Technical Education Chair: David Cochrane: Thank you to Jayme and Matt for taking on these 2 positions and watching the process this year. I have enjoyed my time on the KSS PAC!

COPAC Representatives: Carrie Broughton & Valary Chidwick:

COPAC REPORT 2023

Kelowna Secondary School

Rep: Valary Chidwick and Carrie Broughton

COPAC holds meetings on the first Monday of every month. In attendance are the following: COPAC executive, COPAC representatives from sd23 school PACS, Superintendent, Assistant Superintendent, School Trustee, COTA representative, and guests.

Guest speakers are invited to present at the beginning of each meeting. The February Meeting guest speaker is always the School District Secretary-Treasurer with a presentation on the school budget.

COPAC is represented on School District committees. Their role is to provide a parent/guardian perspective and share information with the parent community.

School District staff and Trustees provide reports at every meeting.

All minutes of meetings are posted on the COPAC website
<http://copac.sd23.bc.ca/Pages/default.aspx#/=>

COPAC provides educational opportunities for parents through both sharing community events at meetings and presentations. This year COPAC brought in Dan Duncan, to speak about ADHD. The presentation was via Zoom and over 700 parents/guardians registered for the event. COPAC produced a monthly newsletter that provided updates and shared community events with parents.

All meetings were held on Zoom this year.

The COPAC hosted a social event at the end of the year for COPAC and one other executive from the school. KSS had two upcoming executives attend.

Unfinished Business

- 1.) Staff Appreciation - will be held on Monday June 12th. Committee to meet separately to plan.
- 2.) KSS PAC Scholarships - Lori Raible organized a committee of KSS Parents to go over the scholarship and bursary applications. 2 Scholarship awards and 2 Bursary awards will be announced at the June 10th Convocation ceremonies

New Business

- 1.) KSS Interact club has emailed to request funds to support the upcoming AP Banquet
- 2.) Zach Johnson has submitted a request for the May 25 KSS Tennis Team Provincials
- 3.) As these requests are late in the year, and the PAC is low on funds, we will not be able to fund them. Mr Parker will communicate with both to discuss other options.
- 4.) 2023/24 PAC Executive Elections
 - Co-Chairs: Myrna Stark-Leader, Karen Hatch
 - Treasurer: Cheryl Gawley will stand
 - Secretary: Norah Bowman
 - Academic: Cassaundra Scheibe
 - Athletic: Leslile Atwell

- Fine Arts: Robyn Springer
- Indigenous: VACANT
- Student Support: Jayme Bush
- Technical Education: Matthew Kresina
- COPAC Reps: VACANT

Valary Chidwick put forth a motion to elect the new KSS PAC for the 2023-2024 School Year.
Norah Bowman 2nd the motion.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:01pm.