

KSS PAC Meeting

Tuesday, January 11, 2022

Meeting called to order at 6:35 pm

Welcome and Introductions

We gratefully acknowledge that we are on the unceded, traditional territory of the Okanagan People.

In attendance: Susan Zimmermann, Troy White, Myrna Leader, Maureen O'Hanley Doucette, Dave Cochrane, Belkis Torelli, Valary Chidwick, Carrie Broughton, Wayne Broughton, Ward Willison, Jenna K, Cindy Leonard, Sarah Marriott, Janet Dillon, Lori Raible, Jeff Prasad (Vice Principal), Dorothee Birker, Iryna Storozhuk, Cat Marrs, Abbey Westbury

Adoption of the Agenda: Sarah, second by Susan, all in favour

Approval of previous meeting minutes- November 9, 2021: Janet, second by Maureen, all in favour

Principal's Report - Troy White, & we welcome Jeff Prasad, Vice Principal (H-N)

1. Happy 2022 to all. Introduction of Jeff Prasad (replacing Robbie Franklin) Jeff: Pleased to be joining KSS team. Background in SS, Special Ed, Behaviour, multiple roles in district. If ever need to get a hold or connect, please feel free.
2. COVID delayed return: had a really good 4 days last week where reviewed and reinstated what they did before. Classrooms are looking more separated, etc. Sent communicable disease sheet home to students and parents and it is on the website currently. Daily health check is on the top of the webpage. Kids were excited to return, and the updated health concerns were reviewed. KSS absences: staff is being looked at in the mornings every morning. All TOC's have been filled for absences, even with a few extra absences. Getting higher absenteeism. If greater than 10% absences, then have to report to IH. Teachers prepared for 5 non-synchronous sick days in case they are sick and then the TOC can teach a unit and have them move on. Functional adaptations made to account for alternate learning.
3. In December, could hold 3 concerts. Had Night Owl Theatre, as well. Volleyball and Basketball were very busy.
4. Varsity Football team North Okanagan Provincials won by one point. Sr. Girls Volleyball team placed 3rd in Nanaimo. Boys volleyball won gold in Lower mainland.
5. On a pause for many activities now. Upcoming events: Jan 13th options for prom, rules have changed again *Jan 19th, early release for capstone project events online
*Any Math or English classes: literacy and numeracy assessments coming up, required for graduation. First year FI 12 assessments will happen this year. UBC/UBCO may use as requirements of Level 3, which is concerning, as it is coding and not %, so there is Ministry conversation regarding if it is appropriate. Students have up to 3 times to take the assessments. If linear, then done in April.

6. No time make up for the 4 days missed in delayed start.
7. Last day Jan 27th of Q2, turnaround 28th (day off), Mon 31st is start of next semester
8. Western Basketball tournament is cancelled/postponed until next year.
9. Planning for timetable for next year. First week of Feb. Zoom meeting for Grade 10/11 for next year courses.

Executive Reports

Co-Chairs – Sarah Marriott & Susan Zimmermann: At last meeting, amended bylaws and constitution. If you want a copy, let Susan know. COPAC: how to be a PAC treasurer and Janet is leaving next year, so if any interest, it is free. BCCPAC looking for nominations for board for many open positions.

Treasurer- Janet Dillon: Balances as of Nov 30th: General \$312.07 Gaming: \$ 53,423.03

Secretary – Cat Marrs -none

Academic Chair - Iryna Storozhuk - none

Applied Skills Chair – Belkis Toredi - none

Athletic Chair - Lori Raible -none

Fine Arts Chair – Abbey Westbury - none

Indigenous Chair – Maureen O'Hanley Doucette :Tour com jan

Student Support Chair – David Cochrane - none

COPAC Representative – Valary Chidwick: COPAC Report for January 2022

BCCPAC executive positions are open for those interested.

COPAC has secured a 15% discount on N95 masks from VITACIRE. PACs may want to consider purchasing masks for staff at their school. This can not be bought with gaming funds.

Superintendent Kaardal suggests that parents have a Plan B should their children's school have to go into functional lock down.

Unfinished Business

- PAC funding requests—Call for additional teacher requests for gaming funds
Even though it is early, make a call for additional teacher funding requests. Does not have to be right now. Send the letter to Troy to get approved for the second semester classes. Will have another Executive meeting to go through. Troy will get the letter out for February, talk about it at staff meeting on Jan 22 and then they can get quotes for things they may need/want. New requests will be approved at February 8th PAC meeting.

-FI students will be shuffled around in future and not at KSS, but attendance won't be affected due to catchment.

In October, Valary had written a letter to Dr. Sue Pollock asking that all officials and students over the age of 12 playing or officiating school functions/games would be vaccinated. Got no reply. Nov 13th, resent email. No reply still. Valary did find out the referees within basketball have to be vaccinated.

-Black tablecloths were dropped off to be donated to school from Lori's husband. Janet can put that into requests. Cintas Canada did this.

New Business - None

Parent Questions/Comments

- Parent information can be found on KSS website & in weekly Whoo's News
- Parents can contact the PAC at kss.pac@sd23.bc.ca

Special note: Troy wants to formally thank the Operations people who are looking after the roads/property. Steven Fuller took care of the property. Operations came in on the weekend to get the snow away. Operations is keeping kids and staff safe. Thank you from Troy and PAC!

Meeting Adjournment @ 7:30 pm

Next Meeting -

Tuesday February 8th, 2022 @ 6:30pm via Zoom