

MINUTES
STELLY'S PAC MEETING
TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 14TH, 2010

Attendance:

Mr. Bruce Frith, Principal
Mr. Ryan Braun, Athletic Director
Stasia Hartley
Lavonne Bennett
Margaret Matthews
Larry Rhodes
Sue Lindsay
Kathy Green
Trish Mar
Tim Dunford
Jacqueline Peacock
Dawn Evans
Cathy Murowinski
Laura Hawkins
Tina Henderson
Lynn Girard
Lucy Lowe
Linda Broda
Sharon Denny
Rose Brink

1. Welcome from President; Stasia Hartley

- all in attendance introduced themselves

2. Correspondence

- review of all the good information available on the Stelly's website
<http://stellys.sd63.bc.ca/>
- Information from Island Sexual Health Society; newsletter re workshops
(typically workshops are organized through COPACS and include schools)

3. Adoption of Meeting Minutes

Motion to adopt June 2010 Meeting Minutes

First *Jacqueline Peacock*

Seconded *Larry Rhodes*

Passed

4. Election of a New Treasurer

- Linda Lightbody (previous Treasurer) handed over the books this summer
- Sue Lindsay offered to take on the position of Stelly's PAC Treasurer

Motion to vote on new PAC Treasurer

First Stasia Hartley

Seconded Lucy Lowe

Passed

5. Report of Officers

a. Administration; Mr. Bruce Frith

Mr. Frith invited Mr. Ryan Braun; Athletic Director to go first re: funding request

Mr. Braun;

- Sports: tryouts have happened and teams are up and running
- Rowing; 70 students (Tim Storm stepped down; replacement Kim Holtner)
- Senior / Junior boys soccer
- X-Country (Colleen McNamee)
- Swimming; most swimmers returning
- Volleyball; all teams up and running
- Still in market for Junior Girls and Junior boys basketball coaches
- Funding request for 10 / 11 (will be submitted at November meeting)
 - last year requested from PAC; \$7,000 for athletics (thank you)
 - this year the school would like to ask for \$10,000
 - increase in cost for BC School Sports, referee costs and uniforms needed for senior boys rugby
- Questions can be e-mailed to Mr. Braun at rbraun@sd63.bc.ca
- Last year there was a user fee for student athletes; user pays – it helps
 - If student does multiple sports, they only pay once
 - Junior \$25.00 Senior \$50.00

Question from parent: Will there be Tennis offered this year.

Answer from Mr. Braun; depending on needs/demand and wants

Start to work on spring sports in February

Administration; Mr. Bruce Frith, Principal

- Start-up was different, a bit overwhelming for staff / learning curve for staff with using new student information system
- Kids are great, clubs and sports have started
- Number of new staff; change is always good
 - Ms. Hansen has moved to Claremont
 - Ms. Peirik; new Vice Principal at Stelly's
 - Mr. Norris; Health & Careers
 - Ms. Sampson; English
 - Mr. Ellis; Behaviour Support
 - Ms. Holtner
 - Ms. Jordanne, Dance
- additional staff have returned from maternity leave

5. Report of Officers (cont'd.)

a. Administration; Mr. Bruce Frith (cont'd.)

- Grad parents meeting tomorrow night in MPR at 7 p.m.; an hour of their time would be helpful
- Optimistic about school year; budget/staffing – will make as seamless as possible
- Parent asked; how many students registered? Answer; 1095
Down by 66 student from last year. 56 International students
Over the years; 650 students to max of 1200. 1000 is about the right size
- Climbing Wall; Boulders Climbing Society acquired Federal / Provincial grants – total \$1.7M and fundraising balance. Expansion; back of school beside existing climbing wall. Adding on a 6 storey competition wall (modular structure). Provides ability to host international competition. Display on main bulletin board in school. Opening April 2011.
- Question asked; How many teachers did we loose?
Answer: 5 FTE; due to budget process and enrollment
- Class sizes varied at this time; will work with teachers to make sure classes will work for learning

b. Treasure's Report; Sue Lindsey

Regular PAC Account: Available Funds: \$2,059.15

Gaming PAC Account: Available Funds: \$47.41

Motion to adopt June 2010 Treasurer's Report

First Sue Lindsay

Seconded Lucy Lowe

Passed

c. SPC Rep; Larry Rhodes

d. President; Stasia Hartley

Thank you to Lavonne, Larry, Margaret for carrying on in their PAC position and Tina for organizing volunteers, immunization, and grad treasurer. Reported on COPACS vacancy and encouraged concerned parents to get involved, either by stepping forward themselves or contacting parents who might be interested in this opportunity. Next meeting for COPAC's is Thursday, October 7th at District Office. A return to full funding for gaming is expected, Anticipating a \$21,000 budget for the 2010-11 year.

- Group discussion about COPACS issues
- COPACS info to be put on school website and in school newsletter
- Lavonne Bennett will attend meeting on October 7th

e. COPACS Rep; not Jacqueline Peacock

6. Report of Committee Chairs

a. Breakfast Committee: Michelle Colvine & Karen Carvalhal

- Has program started? Laura will follow-up with Michelle and Karen. Tina has volunteer names for this program and will pass them on,

b. Volunteer Committee; Tina Henderson

- wrong form went home. Tina will connect with Scheryl in the office.
- to-date; 111 sheets back; last year received 160.

c. Fundraising efforts: Stasia Hartley

1. Fresh Cup Roastery Cafe; Coffee Bean Program

- program starts September 23rd / 1 lbs beans = \$3 to the PAC

2. Rashleigh Farms (1947 Stelly's Cross Road)

- Ongoing bottle collection for AfterGrad
- 1st sorting will be Saturday, October 16th; 9 a.m.
- last year raised \$8,000 for AfterGrad

3. Thrifty Food cards; fundraising opportunity available to all teams / clubs

7. Funding Requests

a. Funding Request; Gay Straight Alliance Club for \$1,050

Review / discussion around funding request ('Me to We Day' Event)

Travel date; October 15th

Motion to fund up to \$800. Funds to come out of Gaming Account

Initially to be covered by regular funds

First Larry Rhodes

Seconded Trish Mar

Passed

b. Funding Request; Kick the NIC (group of students meet once per week at lunch hour)

Funding request; \$400.00

Review / discussion around funding request

Motion to fund \$400.00

First Tim Dunford

Seconded Jacqueline Peacock

Passed

c. Immunization funding (juice / suckers)

Motion to fund up to \$200.00

First Lavonne Bennett

Seconded Dawn Evans

Passed

8. Year-end Business

a. Grade 12 Graduation update

School will outline

Grad Meeting; Wednesday, September 15th

Upcoming Grad Meeting; Tuesday, October 5th

(meetings are first Tuesday of each month

Letter; District Central Saanich; Grant in Aid towards Dry Grad

(application due soon)

9. Old Business

a. Request for school supplies for Chili students

- supplies collected are still in office.

- Stasia will contact group organizing this

10. New Business

a. Budget meeting: November 9th.

b. September 23rd; Meet the Teacher night

PAC will have a table set up in foyer; parent(s) can sign-up to receive a criminal record check letter (waives fee).

c. Idea for the October meeting....

- discussion about inviting teachers, department heads, club heads. Could we have an informal meeting? Parents could find out more about clubs/departments.

Mr. Frith's comments;

- preset notions, preset questions, what are hot topics, department heads don't have all the answers.

- Parent participation; bring a friend. Need all the voices; need to bring it forward and aired. Maintain commitment that has been started tonight. Very helpful. Not just a report. Appreciate participation.

Parent comments:

- Invite a friend to a PAC meeting

- Mindful that we take 2 hours. Informal meeting; business component might get lost

- October really the meeting for staff to attend to present. November is a big meeting; decision around budget items are made.

- Suggestion to invite Central Saanich Block Watch to PAC meeting

- Does formality of PAC meetings scare parents off.

Adjournment at 8:50 p.m.

Next Meeting; Tuesday, October 12th, 2010

7 p.m. / Stelly's Library