



## Parent Advisory Council Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, September 13, 2016  
Stelly's High School - Learning Commons

### Attendance:

Executive: Paul Murray, Denise Tidman, Tim Karpiak, Ina Smith, Leila Nazaroff, Amy Greenfield, Caryl Schrack  
Stelly's: Principal Sally Hansen and Vice Principal Wendy Laws  
Stelly's Staff: Ryan Braun  
Parents: Darlene Campana  
Regrets: Jeanne Puritch, Patricia Wall, Jaqueline Paul

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**Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order at 7:05pm

**Introductions:** As this was the first meeting a roundtable of introductions was made.

**Approval of Agenda:** That the Agenda be approved as presented

MOVED: Denise Tidman  
SECONDED: Tim Karpiak  
*Carried*

**Approval of PAC Minutes:** That the minutes of the June 14<sup>th</sup> 2016 meeting be approved.

MOVED: Denise Tidman  
SECONDED: Ina Smith  
*Carried*

### Principal Report: Sally Hansen

New Stelly's Principal Sally Hansen introduced herself and provided an update on activities with particular reference to:

- Curriculum changes and the frustration that brings for parents and administration as the transition occurs. Working together through the changes is key.
- Staffing is set for the first semester.
- Some second semester changes are still possible.
- Administration is still dealing with a projected overall school deficit of \$88,000 and making adjustments as the school year starts up.
- A new Sports Alumni concept was promoted.
- Bus Service is now free!
- Meet the teacher night is scheduled and reminders are on the way.
- All parents are encouraged to subscribe to the news feed via the school website.



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### Featured Speaker – Vice Principal Wendy Laws

Vice Principal Wendy Laws provided a summary of dual credit opportunities for students in Psychology, Law, Computer Programming and Arts for example. External credit opportunities were also highlighted – for example high level athletics, 4H, life guards etc. Especially important when applying for scholarships and university applications.

### President's Report: Paul Murray

Paul briefly thanked everyone for volunteering their time again to be part of PAC for this year and noted that:

- PAC home page has been updated and simplified. Old documents have been removed.
- Looking to make the site more friendly and perhaps adding more graphic content and perhaps a selfie style picture of PAC.
- Breakfast club is an integral part of mornings at Stelly's. Volunteers are requested to contact Leila Nazaroff – breakfast club organizer. Darlene Campana graciously agreed to help Leila out.
- The PAC bank account is in process of being moved to CIBC given the difficulties with changing signing authorities at Coast Capital. Tim will be working on that with Paul and Denise.

### COPACS: Amy Greenfield

May noted there was no update – first meeting to be held in early October. President James Taylor invited to a future meeting.

### CPF: Caryl Schrack

Caryl noted there was no update – first meeting to be tomorrow night.

### Treasurers Report: Tim Karpiak

Tim provided a brief overview of the latest statements and noted that the transfer of accounts to CIBC was in progress.

### Funding Requests:

#### (1) Ryan Braun, Department Head - Athletics

- Sports teams are up and running at Stelly's with tryout information posted.
- Teacher coaches are not possible for all teams, however, there are great volunteer/parent coaches.
- Big thank you to all those that helped with the Stelly's food booth at the Saanich Fair and in particular the folks who donated upgrades to the grill and vents that have enabled the food booth to operate – they wish to remain anonymous. The net revenue is expected to be approximately \$4,000.
- Sports teams require ongoing replacement for uniform/equipment and the annual funding request was submitted for \$11,500.



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- Stelly's has a tradition of running a unique and popular outdoor education program and it captures close to 90 students in both grade 11 and grade 12. A funding request was submitted for \$1000.00 in order to replace/repair equipment (lifejackets, paddles, tarps, canoes etc).
- The intramurals program provides an opportunity for students to be active and participate during lunchtimes at certain times of the year. T shirts are used as incentives and given to champions. The \$500 funding request is to restock the supply of t shirts.

Ryan was thanked for his information about the funding requests and left the meeting.

**Motion:** That the Athletics funding request be approved in the amount of \$10,000 with the balance of \$1,500 to be reconsidered after PAC gaming revenues are confirmed.

MOVED: Denise Tidman

SECONDED: Tim Karpiak

*Carried*

**Motion:** That the Athletics funding request for Outdoor Pursuits be approved in the amount of \$1,000.

MOVED: Denise Tidman

SECONDED: Darlene Campana

*Carried*

The Athletics Dept request for Intramurals T shirt funding of \$500 was discussed and consensus was to ask for further information about the possibility of silkscreening by students at the school before the request is further considered at the next meeting.

**Old Business:** none

### **New Business:**

1. Parent concern re student cell phone use.  
Paul introduced the concern and discussion about school policy re cell phone use and management by teachers of potential for distraction in school. Vice Principal Wendy Laws outlined the school policy and approach to provide teachers with discretion to manage on an individual class basis. Wendy indicated Admin would raise the issue at a staff meeting. Consensus was to thank the parent for raising the profile of the need to manage potential for distraction from cell phones.
2. Facebook Page for PAC.  
Paul summarised the concept of a Facebook page for PAC as a means to increase engagement with parents. Discussion was around resourcing of the page and who might



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volunteer to do that. Paul agreed to solicit additional volunteers for that and see if there was interest from parents at Meet the Parent Night.

3. Bottle Drive Update – the grad bottle drive is ongoing each month coordinated by Patricia Wall.
4. Breakfast Club Update – Leila Nazaroff provided a summary of breakfast club and asked for assistance in finding two more volunteers to assist.
5. Picture for PAC webpage – deferred to another meeting.

### **Motion to adjourn:**

Moved: Denise Tidman

*Carried*

**Meeting adjourned at 8:50pm**

**Next meeting: October 12<sup>th</sup> 2016 at 7pm in the Learning Commons**