



# Parent Advisory Council Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, June 12<sup>th</sup>, 2018 – 7:00 PM

Stelly's High School – Learning Commons

## ATTENDANCE

- **Executive:** Denise Tidman, Wayne Spencer, Tim Karpiak, Amy Greenfield, Joël Griffiths
- **Stelly's Admin:** Sally Hansen

1. **Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order at 7:04 PM

2. **Approval of Agenda:** Approval of agenda.

**MOVED:** Denise motioned that the agenda be approved.

**SECONDED:** Wayne

**VOTE:** Carried

3. **Approval of Minutes:** Approval of May minutes.

**MOVED:** Wayne motioned that the minutes be approved.

**SECONDED:** Tim

**VOTE:** Carried

4. **Presidents Report:**

- Teacher appreciation luncheon tomorrow.

5. **Principals Report**

- Exams starting next week.
- Discussion of engaging the cafeteria students to assist with appreciation events so they are involved.
- Busy time of year, dance performance tonight, pot-luck for cultural leadership group coming up, performing arts event on the 20<sup>th</sup>.
- Enhancement agreement was just signed; it is a partnership with local and indigenous communities that establishes goals and curriculum for students.
- Grad rehearsals and events ongoing, staff vs. grad students water fight, grad ceremony on 29<sup>th</sup>.
- New grad program curriculum (not in place for this year) includes requirements for student self assessment which will be included with report cards, eventually will include more grade levels.

6. **COPAC Report**

- Monthly meetings are moving to ILC because the district DRC is being repurposed.
- COPACs is continuing next year thanks to existing executive who have agreed to continue.
- School Remedy funding allocation is being reviewed; School Remedy = extra funding for assistance and a formula is used to allocate the funds.
- Reminder to apply for gaming grant.

## 7. CPF Report – Sandra / Christine

- Written report attached.

## 8. Treasurer Report

- Account balances are in the same place as they were last year, as they should be, \$4,400 left in the general account and \$644 in the gaming account. Nothing else to report.

## 9. Funding Requests

- a) Music Program, Plexiglass protectors, \$328. Plexiglass sheets will be placed over music sheets when students are performing outside to keep music sheets in place in the event of wind. Funds remaining from a previous request plus this new request will cover the full cost of the plexiglass.  
**MOVED:** Tim motioned that we approve the funding request in the full amount of the plexiglass.  
**SECONDED:** Wayne  
**VOTE:** Carried
- b) PARTY Program Field Trip, \$800, for transportation and participation fees for next years trip.  
**MOVED:** Wayne motioned that the request be approved.  
**SECONDED:** Denise  
**VOTE:** Carried

## 10. Old Business

- a) no old business to discuss.

## 11. New Business:

Discussion of grad parent volunteers and lack of attendance at planning meeting for next years class, concern that existing dry grad fund raisers (i.e. bottle drop on the weekend) which are well established and make significant amounts of funds will collapse. Explore new options for engaging parents and students as well as methods for communication.

Responses to questions ‘General CPF Questions’ in the CPF attachment.

- a) School Signage – new sign has arrived, decision to put it up before parent night in early September.
- b) Revamping School Art – this idea can be put forward to school groups for discussion, French language can be added, signing is expensive so funding would need to be raised.
- c) Students at school during exams – they can attend school, room in the learning commons and career center, i.e. quiet areas, however there is no supervision as teachers are busy supervising exams. Sally also indicated that the format of exams week will likely be different next year.
- d) Extra seating – there are lots of desks and chairs around the school that students can use during breaks, i.e. library, learning commons. There are fire regulations that need to be considered. Future of cafeteria and theater need to be considered prior to exploring additional seating around the school.

**12. Next Meeting Date:** The next meeting is September 11<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 PM in the Learning Commons.

**13. Motion to Adjourn:** Meeting adjourned at 8:00 PM

- MOVED:** Denise  
**SECONDED:** Tim  
**VOTE:** Carried

Denise

I'm not certain I can attend the meeting this evening but wish to share the following questions AND also attach the CPF report - for your Minutes. It has been very interesting to be part of the Stelly's PAC. We currently do not have a Stelly's rep 2018/19 but hope we can find one during the Welcome Back events. I would like to remain as a member at large - and will do my best to attend some of the meetings! Maybe having, from time to time, the odd lunchtime "quick" meeting might work for those that live/work near Stelly's...? Bring your own lunch type of thing.

General PAC questions.

1. Status on new school sign in 3 languages. In absence of these new welcome signs, could we not have a paper poster welcoming visitors in 3 languages on the door?

Also, would like to ask if there is any revamp of art scheduled/in the pipeline at school/photo backdrops etc. Example in the gym Home of .... Can French text be added? Current school backdrop states Stelly's Secondary etc but not Ecole... It would really increase the visibility of the FI program if more dual language signage was included throughout the building on signs etc

Could this be something that art students could support?

2. Exam week - do students with no exams have to remain at home, or will there be classes? If not, why not?

3. Extra seating/benches/tables for lunch dining? Was this discussed at previous meeting?

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Ecole Stelly's PAC:

**CPF - Saanich Report.**

1. CPF - Saanich hosted its' AGM in May and the new Executive line up is:

President, Sandra Arthur. Vice-President, Christine Malmberg, Secretary, Cedar Payne.

We are currently seeking a treasurer, Stelly's representative, Fundraiser coordinator, PC Guru, and ad hoc volunteers to assist at different events throughout the year.

If anyone is interested to learn more, please contact one of the above people.

2. The annual CPF Concours d'art oratoire took place in Vancouver and finalists were sent from Saanich students in grade 6, 7 and 8. No high school students participated and those in Grade 12 missed out winning an opportunity to receive potential scholarship funding. As so few Grade 12 students support this event, this could be an interesting competition for the new Grade 12 to consider.

3. Lecture en Cadeau took place at Ecole Keating during end May/June. Eleven FI students from Grade 11, Grade 9 and Grad 8 took part in this four-week mentoring event (reading/speaking/creating art with younger grade 4 and 5 students). Thanks to all the Stelly's students that supported. We hope to repeat next year and will be seeking around 15 students to participate. Stelly's students received volunteer certificates. Bravo to those wonderful supportive young people.

4. You can download the latest CPF Saanich Newsletter here:

<http://www.cpf.bc.ca/saanich/index.php/newsletter>

5. Our website is now back up and running BUT we place much more information and posts on our Facebook page. Please check it out and subscribe/like.

<https://www.facebook.com/CPF.Saanich/>

6. The CPF Saanich have voted to purchase 4 Verbathon kits - one of which is reserved for Stelly's (they have used in the past). We are working with Cindy Lister to see if the Teacher Association or other budget could cover the cost to bring in the inventor of this learning tool, to offer guidance to French teachers on its' use, perhaps on a pro D Day.

7. CPF Saanich, are once again, advocating for continuous French for our French Immersion students and hope that the timetable can accommodate this as this year for FI students.

8. CPF Saanich are advocating for more French electives to help boost the percentage of French learning within the current FI program. Our group is also waiting to hear back from FI teachers on how our organisation can help French learning and despite our limited budget, will be happy to support.

9. The K:12 gift celebration event future will be debated in September. Remain as is, make changes, modify etc. Meanwhile, the date of [April 11th, 2019](#) is reserved for this event.

10. CPF Saanich Fundraising. Our fundraising was down by 50% so we are switching on main annual fundraising push to selling flower bulbs. We plan to kick off this in early September - ending mid October. We hope that more people at Stelly's will support as ALL funds received are spent back to aid French learning in Saanich. We will also repeat the Maple Syrup sales in the spring - that was well supported in our community. Thanks in advance for helping to share (you don't have to have students to place an order!).

10. Join us for a year-end informal mingle at the Brentwood Bay Village Empourium on Jean Baptiste Day, [June 25<sup>th</sup>](#) between 3.00 pm - 5.00 pm. This is a big celebration in Quebec and indeed in France. All French teachers and our team have been invited. Bring your kids/friends and bring your ideas or simply come and say hi — we can't wait to see you there.

Warm wishes

Sandra Arthur