



Parent Advisory Council Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, October 2, 2017
Stelly's High School - Learning Commons

Attendance:

Executive: Denise Tidman, Tim Karpiak, Sandra Arthur,
Stelly's: Principal Sally Hansen
Parents: Tara Houle
Regrets: Wayne Spencer

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: Tim Karpiak
SECONDED: Tara Houle
Carried

Approval of PAC Minutes: That the minutes of the June 13, 2017 meeting be approved.

MOVED: Tim Karpiak
SECONDED: Denise Tidman
Carried

President's Report: Denise Tidman

Denise thanked everyone for coming and volunteering their time again to be part of PAC for this year. Summary of her comments:

- Denise will be chair this year, with Wayne Spencer as vicechair. Wayne will be updating PAC website to make it more user friendly and up to date.
- Lots of funding requests to go over.

Principal Report: Sally Hansen

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

- Global Gala. 40th yr Alumni ceremony will be merged with this event. It will raise more \$\$ and awareness of Stelly's. Students will be an integral part of the work behind this event.
- She requested that the Gaming Licence for this event be under PAC's name. PAC agreed.
- University event at Parklands is happening this Thursday, Oct. 5. School bus will be going to event. First spots open to Gr.12 students, then other Gr.11 and Gr.10 students can fill vacant spots.
- Grad Parent Info Night: October 12



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- Dry Grad planning will follow. Not too many volunteers so far. Recommended getting Gr.11 parents involved early to help support this event.
- Dance Concert scheduled for October 25
- Post Secondary Event October 26
- Parent Teacher Interviews Nov. 23
- A link has been added to school website for CPF
- Student population was predicted to go down this year, and it did, by approx. 25 students. We now have approx. 845 students.
- 3 primary focus areas for the year:
 1. Anxiety
 2. Student engagement through opportunities for leadership
 3. Curriculum Implementation. There is still a huge learning curve between amount of changes to curriculum along with assessment changes. Exams have been dropped but still a great deal of confusion about how to implement changes. Currently not much funding for resources to implement new curriculum, which was rolled out this year (Gr.10-12)
- Orange Shirt Day: Many kids have given input and wrote down their questions and concerns about residential schools. This was a success!
- Talked about the Student Learning Grant.

CPF Report – Christine Malmberg & Sandra Arthur

and Sandra gave the following summation of their first meeting:

- French Immersion is now on the school website.
- French Improvisation workshop was by donation, and it went well. Consideration being given to do one every 6 weeks.
- Grade 12/Kindergarten event will proceed in the Spring 2018.
- Efforts are being made to bring in a French Immersion Debate Professor.
- Trying to do more French and English Community Events for the school.

Treasurer's Report

Tim Karpiak, Treasurer, reported the following:

- \$309.69 in Gaming Account as of August 31, 2017. More funds for the 2017-18 year are coming.
- \$10,143.54 in General Account as of August 31, 2017.
- Profit from Saanich Fair booth this year: \$5055.00
- Budget is approved for this year.
- BCCPAC \$ 75 membership is approved.
- For ongoing funding requests, it was asked that all be sent to Principal Sally Hansen for review...before funding approval process.



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Funding Requests

- Outdoor Education submitted from Ryan Braun. Same as last year's request. Denise Tidman made motion to approve request, Tara Houle seconded. *Carried.*
- Art Department requested \$300 for etching & \$100 for new mesh. Tara Houle made motion to approve request, Tim Karpiak seconded motion. *Carried.*
- Fish Tanks \$640. Tim Karpiak made motion to approve, Denise Tidman seconded motion. *Carried.*
- Forgotten Lunch Program. Request was made for \$1000. Previous year's approval had been for \$500. Denise Tidman made motion to approve \$500 now, opportunity to apply for add'tl \$500 in January. Tim Karpiak seconded motion. *Carried.*
- Athletics Dept requested \$12,000. Budget was to approve \$11,500. Motion was made to approve \$12,000 for athletics. Tara Houle approved motion, Tim Karpiak seconded motion. *Carried.*
- Gaming Licence \$10. Motion was made to approve \$10. Sandra Arthur approved motion, Tim Karpiak seconded motion.

Old Business: none

New Business:

1. Parent concern re student cell phone use.
Tara Houle spoke about a technology survey open to all Middle and high school students which appeared in an article. It's run to 2 UVic students. Article was about how Central Middle School has introduced a school wide cell phone ban. A survey was given throughout the community. It is based on the distractions brought on by cell phones in the school. A lot of class time is spent being distracted by cell phone use. Big concern is on amount of texts being sent by parents, to kids, during class time.
2. Student Learning Grant \$50/pupil. 3 options, submitted by Gord:
 - Chromebooks (2 class sets) and mobile cart **\$24-25,900**
 - 1 class set of iPads **\$16,800-\$17,750**
 - Sound system & Projector in Gym **\$30,950-\$41,700**
 - Question was asked who would replace chromebooks in 5 yrs and costs associated with upkeep. Principal Sally Hansen suggested that maintenance costs and training would be at a minimum. Also that in 5 yrs time, parents would probably be funding technology by "Bring Your Own Device". Motion was made to put forth first option. Tim Karpiak approved motion. Denise Tidman seconded motion. *Carried.*

Motion to adjourn:

Moved: Tim Karpiak; Denise Tidman seconded
Carried

Meeting adjourned at 8:39pm

Next meeting November 7, 2017, 7 pm in the Learning Commons