

Highland PAC Meeting Minutes

October 18, 2021

Call to Order: 7 PM

Attendees: Dean Patterson, Melissa Preston, Tracy Mylon, Brenda (Last name?), Brooke Finlayson, Chettie McDonald, Mona Wangler, Natasha Markovic, Tonia Frawley, Vivian Vaillant, Spring Halasz, Gwynn Whyte

Approval of previous minutes

June 2021 minutes- 1) Melissa 2) Tracy – carried

September 2021 minutes 1) Tracy 2) Brooke - carried

Approval of agenda

1) Tracy 2) Gwynn - carried

Correspondence - None

Reports

Chair – Adam sends his regrets and Melissa as the Vice Chair has nothing to report

Treasurer – Tracy

- We received our grant totalling \$11,800 so our account total is currently \$23,898.48
- Tracy will continue to investigate banking options for the PAC account as the Royal Bank is not easy to deal with and we cannot access our account details online.
- Natasha will ask the Treasurer for the NIDES PAC for the research that she did and provide it to Tracy for review. NIDES decided to go with Coastal Credit Union

DPAC – Spring

- Meeting was October 4, 2021
- At the meeting they reviewed the role of DPAC, Resources & education, BCCPAC
- Discussed the upcoming Ministry of Education changes to the Reporting Policy for K-12 students
- Distributed Learning is changing in the province. There will be 5-6 Hubs of Learning from a Distance
- Active transport network is looking at providing safer routes to school
- Sexual Health Committee at Mark Isfeld is being led by Shannon
- Speaker series – White Hatter October 21 @ 7 PM
- If there is anything that members of the Highland community or PAC would like brought to the DPAC's attention, please contact Spring
- Next meeting November 1

Principal's Report (see page 2) - Dean Patterson

Trustee – Tonia Frawley

- The district is a solid financial position

- We are a growing district so the board and senior leadership will be revisiting boundaries and catchments
- At the Education Committee meeting the district has been working on Pathways to Hope. There will be team leaders hired to create family schools with service teams to follow students as they move through their school career and support those that need it. It will be on a referral basis so there will be less waiting for kids. The teams will share information so the youth do not have to retell their stories over and over resulting in increased trauma.
- The goal is to have the team in place in March 2022 waiting for the associated organizations including the BCTF, Island Health and John Howard Society to decide on how the hiring will be done and how is going to be paying for what.
- The grand openings for Lake Trail Community School and Hornby Island were held in the last few weeks.

Old Business - None

New Business

Nominations for board positions:

Chairperson - Adam

Vice Chairperson- Melissa – nominated by Spring

Treasurer - Tracy is willing to co-chair but not full chair. Spring will think about it

Secretary – Available if anyone else is interested

DPAC Representative – Vivian/Spring – nominated by Melissa

Nominations and elections will take place at the next meeting.

Next Meeting - Monday November 15th, 2021 @ 7 PM

Adjournment – 8:23

Principal's Report

Events:

Truth and Reconciliation Day (Week)

- Displays, video, walk, permanent mobile display

Terry Fox Run/Walk raised \$4640 (\$2700 last year)

- Lots of fun, three shaved heads

UVIC presentation to Grade 12s Oct 14th, NIC Advisor monthly visits, Online post secondary Tours Oct 25th and Nov 17th (see website)

Arts Start presentation Oct 27th Krystle Dos Santos "The History of Motown".

Remembrance Day assemblies on Nov. 10th

Parent Teacher Interviews – changes from Nov. 25th date. Teacher to contact week of Nov. 22 to 26th

Photo retakes on Oct 21st

Grad Photos Nov. 17th to 19th

Athletics/Field trips – happening but different. Masking, travel, hotels, dining out.

Facilities:

Some potential good news in the future.

New BC Reporting Policy:

The Four-Point Provincial Proficiency Scale will be used to communicate student progress in all areas of learning. (Emerging, Developing, Proficient, Extending) K-9, Letter Grades and Proficiency Scale 10-12.

<https://engage.gov.bc.ca/app/uploads/sites/121/2021/09/Draft-K-12-Student-Reporting-Policy.pdf>

Survey looking for feedback:

<https://feedback.engage.gov.bc.ca/944758?lang=en>