

PAC Agenda - AGM

Monday October 16th Isfeld Library at 7:00pm

The Mark R. Isfeld PAC respectfully acknowledges that the land we gather on is on the Unceded Traditional Territory of the K'ómoks First Nation, the traditional keepers of this land.

Call to Order/Welcome: 7:02pm

Introductions/Attendance:

Sarah Friesen, Jennifer Fisher, Dani Porter, Brian McAskill, Mike Godbout, Sharon Fisher, Michelle Waite, Leanna Warman, Rebecca, DaSilva Clark, Jenn Hoar, Shannon Aldinger, Colin Hanes

Approval of Agenda: (October 16th) Motion: Dani P., Second: Jen H., passed.

Approval of Previous Meeting's Minutes (Sept 18th) Motion: Dani P., Second: Mike G., passed.

Reports:

i. Principal's Report

- We're about 19 students over projections, and that is expected to grow annually. Numbers at roughly 958 students.
- Athletics is going strong. Junior Boys VB just won the tournament at VIU and are now able to go to Provincials in PG. Boys soccer and girls VB are all doing well.
- Terry Fox raised over \$6,000.00 this year
- The Italy exchange was a success and they (those participating) have now gone back home. Our kids will head to Italy at Spring Break
- Numeracy and Literacy assessments coming up shortly
- November 2nd is the upcoming Grad Parent meeting
- School Goals: big focus on Environmental Stewardship as well as Physical/Mental Health and Well-Being. Have had a lot of teachers volunteer to be a part of it.

Q: How many Grade 12 students this year?

A: 142 (non-international), with International is 154 [last year was 189 ish]

Q: There was an email about a meeting tomorrow night about Europe 2024. Who does that apply to?

A: It will be for grades 10-12. This is not part of the international exchange program currently in place and they are not affiliated with the school.

A: Parent feedback: there is a set amount of kids that can go, it is for spring break. Cost is \$5400.00.

Q: the standardized tests, are they the FSAs?

A: General literacy, this is testing general skills and not tied to a specific course. These count for grades and will be on transcripts.

Q: Transcripts: are they grades then from 10-12? And the work experience? A: If they are 16+ it shows up on their transcripts right away, if they are 15 it will count eventually but won't show up right away.

Q: Is Climate Stress going to be a part of the Mental Health strategy? A: Yes it will.

ii. Trustee Report (Michelle Waite)

- Next Board Meeting Tuesday, October 24th 2023 at 7pm (held in the school board office, and can attend remotely through YoutTube - link on District website)
- We had an open Committee of the Whole on Oct. 10th, 2023. Two presentations:
 - 1. Nides Navigate program
 - 2. Numeracy and Literacy action. The district is working on using teams to work together to figure out where our strengths and weaknesses are in numeracy and literacy and best practice for testing. Working to create a living program that evolves as the students/faculty move forward. It allows them to get feedback from the students in terms of where they are needing additional support.
- Our board is looking at how we do what we do, including how we are trustee liaisons
 with the school, what that means, and how we engage with the PACs to ensure that we
 are engaging in the best way.

iii. Treasurer Report (Jen Hoar) *Report to be attached to minutes

- Gaming Grant review based on amount of children attending and with specific parameters on how funds can be spent (ie. athletics, arts, academics etc.). These funds must be spent within the same year. Existing funds are \$19,240.00
- Non-Gaming account: primarily from the Salad Bar. We keep a \$5,000 contingency aside
 to cover any issues with the Salad Bar. Total non-gaming funds are currently \$15,907.14;
 however, that figure doesn't demonstrate payments pending. It is important to note that
 funds coming in from the Salad Bar are highest in the first half of the year, compared to
 the second half.

- Budget:
- Dispersal of funds is formula based as a percentage to the Four Pillars: Athletics, Arts and Academics. Most of the Citizenship costs tend to be covered by student fees.
- Proposal to set aside up to \$2,240.00 to contribute to Grad 2024 celebrations (out of school), which would amount to a total of \$3,500.00 when combined with the existing funds set aside for Grads. This would leave \$17,000 to be distributed.
- This money can be taken from the Gaming funds for Grad rather than the non-gaming funds.
- Distribution formula of gaming funds: do we keep the existing formula? Yes.

2023-2024 Budget Presented and Motion to Approve:

Gaming: \$19, 240: put \$2,240 to Grad celebration 2024 costs

- Remaining \$17,000.00 to be dispersed as follows: 50% Athletics (\$8,500.00), 30% Arts (\$5,100.00), 20% Academics (\$3,400.00)

Second: Sharon Fisher

Passed.

iv. DPAC Report (Jenn Fisher)

Motion by Jenn Fisher: To renew Isfeld BCCPAC for the year. It is \$90.00 Second by Sarah Friesen Passed.

- Recordings available of DPAC Parent Presentations that occurred over Consent Week
- DPAC funded the Key to Scholarships presentations that are coming up shortly. These will apply for grades 10-12.
- DPAC conversation around Food security, Feeding Futures so if there is a need for FoodSafe certifications for school food programs schools can notify them as needed.

v. Salad Bar Report (Hanna unable to attend this week)

vi. New Business (no additional items)

AGM - Elections

4 Positions available: Chair, Vice-Chair, Secretary, Treasurer

Jenn Fisher nominated for Chair. Elected through acclimation. Accepted. Dani Porter nominated for Co-Chair. Elected through acclimation. Accepted. Sarah Friesen nominated for Secretary. Elected through acclimation. Accepted. Jen Hoar nominated Treasurer. Elected through acclimation. Accepted.

DPAC: Colin Hanes volunteers to join DPAC

General Discussion:

Q: For Brian, have you heard of the Canadian Universities event? It is 50 universities from across Canada that set up in different locations for information. We are welcome to go and attend when they are on the Island. But, would it be possible to have them come here instead? This year they are being hosted at Shawnigan, next year will be hosted by Brentwood.

A: We do have an evening that is focussed on BC-based universities, but not this organization specifically.

Comment for Discussion:

An email came in from a parent regarding concerns around bussing cancellations and suggesting the benefits of parents/schools communicating to the transit workers our gratitude for all their hard work to support the drivers.

Adjournment: 8:23pm

Next PAC Meeting: November 13th, 2023 at 7:00pm