



MARK R. ISFELD

SECONDARY SCHOOL • ÉCOLE SECONDAIRE

PAC MINUTES

Monday September 18th, 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 - 7:01pm

Attending: Jennifer Fisher, Dani Porter, Mike Godbout, Brian McAskill (P), Maureen Radawiec, Cathi St Denis, Colin Hanes, Hanna Walker, Rebecca Da Silva Clark, Leanna Warman, Dave Miller (VP), Sherry Martens (VP), Sarah Friesen, Sean Fisher

Approval of Agenda: September 18th Motion: Dani P., Second: Mike G., passed

Approval of Previous Meeting's Minutes (June 12th): Motion: Dani P., Second: Mike G., passed

Reports:

i. Principal's Report

- Start up with grade 8s and new students went really well
- This year, the day before became a Pro-D day (instead of previously having it in August) which allowed a great planning day with the support staff to kick off the year
- Spent time during that day discussing Mental Health, Environmental Awareness, and Indigenous Education. We really want to focus on Mental Health this year - surveys from last year with the grades 10-12 really highlighted that Mental Health should be supported. Establishing a committee to really focus on this.
- Enrolment: we are growing, we are about 20 over what the District projected last April. The District is growing as well (over 400 than what was projected). We are over 60% French Immersion right now and we are getting tighter in our numbers in French Immersion (at capacity in Grade 9 and the Grade 10 class is quite large as well). We are sitting at 968 students today.
- Events: Athletics are up and running, Performing Arts, Consent Awareness week, Truth and Reconciliation week is upcoming.
- October 18th - Scholarship Presentation Evening (zoom on 6pm, sponsored by DPAC). Invites go out to all Grade 11 and 12 families
- October 6th is the Terry Fox Run
- FESL (School learning Plan)

- School Facility: over the summer had some concrete work out front paid for by the district which is great as it is now a usable space. Still looking at trying to develop a food service/cafeteria space - still in discussions on options. Back parking lot was repainted, added two accessible parking spots and limited the amount of spaces back there as well to help cut down on the cars parked in the back. The four modulars received air conditioning.

Q: Is there anything else happening throughout the district around Consent Awareness Week?

A: May be a few presentations happening. That information can be sent out to parents.

Q: We talked last year about tables for lunchtime?

A: We have a quote as part of the Feeding Futures Grant money, but the available funds have significantly decreased - we are looking at potentially looking at those funds to help acquire the tables we are looking for.

Q: Was some of the concrete out there for that purpose?

A: Yes, kids are already sitting out there and it would be great to have picnic tables and make it a great space.

ii. Trustee Report

- Our trustees were unable to attend this month, but everything that was slated to be addressed was discussed during the Principal's report

iii. Treasurer Report (Jen Hoar)

- Report read out by Jenn F. as Jen H. was unable to attend this meeting (Treasurer's Report to be attached to these Minutes)

iv. DPAC Report (Tanya)

- DPAC rep unable to attend
- Meeting has not occurred yet this month so report will happen at October's PAC meeting
- Create Consent Culture happening September 21st on zoom

v. Salad Bar Report (Hanna)

- So far there are 135 students signed up, but more should be coming in
- Volunteers: we are still looking, so please sign up if you are looking at volunteering (Tuesdays are pick up days from Lush Valley between 12-2pm; Wednesdays 9am-12pm and after school until 9pm for vegetable prep; Thursday morning prep and service/clean up from 12 - 2:30pm)
- Start up is next week and the 28th is the first full service

New Business

- a. BCCPAC Membership Renewal
 - Jenn F.: Motion to renew BCCPAC membership using our in service money. Dani P. (second), passed

- b. AGM - Budget & Elections: October 16th
 - all positions open, options for DPAC

General Discussion:

Q: Volunteering? I can drive (Class 2) and can drive any larger vehicle and would be willing to volunteer my services

Q: We used to do a parent survey to find out what skills parents have that could contribute to the school - might be worth looking at?

Q: How did the student-led Grad celebration go?

A: Really well! Everything went smoothly and there were no issues.

Adjournment: Motion Jenn F. at 7:51pm, Second Dani P.

Next PAC Meeting: October 16th, 2023 [AGM] at 7:00pm