KSS PAC Meeting Tuesday September 10, 2019

In attendance- Deshaun Walker, David Cochrane, Brenda Maier, Kim Cresswell, Jody Swendseid, Misbah Sergul, Margaret Zhang, Angela Pomeroy, Jocelyn Tonn, Susan Zimmermann, Roya Sehkhandari, Tammy Busch, Elyse Levesque, Sabina Sokolowska, Marc Miles, Cinzia Miles, Shane Casavant, Mark Galan, Derril McKenzie, Jennifer McKenzie, Diane Hutchinson, Sarah Marriott, Iryna Storozhuk, Cadre Simpson, Ling Fu, Rajesh Chak, Krista Berrigan, Gerueseca Gronetto, Junicos Dawkins, Madia Patterson, Maureen O'Hanley Doucette, Cherry Patterson, Lori Raible, Prilee Chak, Janet Dillon

Welcome and Introductions

Brenda Maier called the meeting to order at 6:34pm

Adoption of the Agenda - Adopted by Maureen O'Hanley Doucette

Guest Speaker - Lorraine Miller

Volunteer President COBSS (Central Okanagan Bursary and Scholarship Society)

- Mandate of COBSS is to match graduating students with scholarships and bursaries
- 583 awards totalling \$510,000 awarded in 2019, KSS receives 44 school specific
- Online applications open Dec. 3, 2019 and closes Jan. 13, 2020, one single application grants access to all awards, students need a teacher reference on their application.
- Award must be used that Sept. for post-secondary education, exceptions for trades.
- Check the COBSS website for all the details.
- COBSS Wine and Cheese Mingler Tuesday Oct. 22, 2019 at Innovation Centre (460 Doyle Ave) RSVP to <u>COBSS@shaw.ca</u> by Oct. 11, 2019.

Principal's Report - Troy White introduced new Vice-Principal Christey Hughes

- Troy presented an informative powerpoint of the history of KSS, this will be posted on the KSS PAC webpage.
- KSS has 1867 students, 95 teachers, 35 CEA's, 7 custodians, 3 resource teachers
- 2019/2020 school year theme is Gratitude
- Student parking, students pay \$10 for a pass, but does not guarantee a spot
- sd23 busing- some routes are full and may not have room for courtesy riders
- Please do not use staff parking area for student drop off/ pick up
- Vaping- new Code of Conduct says no vaping on school property, possible fine of \$65 first offence, possible fine of \$2000 for second offence
- Grade 10 Parent meeting Sept. 12, 6pm
- Grade 12 Parent meeting Sept 26, 6:30pm
- Nov. 4-7 Numeracy and Literacy Assessments
- Sept. 24,25 Gr. 10's Block 3 Blanket Experience, First Nations Principles of Learning

Co-Chairs - Brenda Maier & Susan Zimmermann

Treasurer - Janet Dillon

- 2018/2019 \$46,800 approved for teacher's requests, \$39,000 dispersed
- BC gaming grant 2019/2020 will be about \$40,000 (\$20-\$25 per student)
- Sept. 2019, \$4100 available now, as well as gaming grant to come

Secretary - Kim Cresswell

Academic Chair - Iryna Storozhuk

Applied Skills Chair - Margaret Zhang

Athletic Co-Chairs - Marc Miles & Cinzia Miles

Fine Arts Chair - Sarah Marriott

Student Support Chair - Lori Raible

COPAC Representative - Maureen O'Hanley Doucette

Unfinished Business

• Election of Co-Chair, Susan Zimmermann - M,S,C

New Business

- PAC funding request letter/new Google form, Janet D. is working on this
- PAC Work Ethic recognition gift (pens) PAC usually spends \$1000 on work ethic gift to qualified students. Proposal to establish COBSS scholarship(s) with the work ethic gift funds, possibly 2 recipients @\$500. Maureen will help prepare Scholarship proposal.
- PAC Awards proposal to change from 25 recipients @ \$200 to 15 recipients @ \$300
- Guest speaker suggestions for future PAC meetings
 - Vaping, Janet D. will contact presenters from Healthy Schools Committee;
 - o Growing up in Digital World from UBCO researchers, Cadre will contact;
 - RCMP Liaison Officer Fred Arnold, Troy has contact info.
- "Liked" video or something similar was suggested. Troy explained that last year screening had low attendance and is costly, with only a limited time availability.
- Third Space does a Gratitude project presentation, Sarah M. has information.

Parent Questions/Comments

- KSS website PAC page great source of information for parents, daily announcements are available on the KSS homepage and Twitter (KSSbrightsign)
- Sept. 18, 2019, 6pm in MPR, Rotary Club Exchange presentation, Krista Berrigan has information.

Meeting Adjournment - 8:06pm

Next Meeting - Tuesday October 8th, 2019, 6:30pm KSS Library