KSS PAC Minutes Tuesday November 12, 2019

In Attendance- Susan Zimmermann, Angela Pomery, Maureen O'Hanley Doucette, Farouk Lila, Natalia Kazachenko, Kim Cresswell, Cinzia Miles, Belkis Toredi, David Cochrane, L. Bright, Lannea Parfitt, Elyse Levesque, Margaret Zhang, Lori Raible, Iryna Storozhuk, Brenda Maier

Welcome and Introductions - Brenda Maier at 6:33pm

Guest Speakers

Ms. Culham and KSS Grad Council students- Lindsay, Cooper, Cade Proposed changes to Prom (Friday May 15th, 2020)- to increase participation, engagement and access by students, propose to start prom later in day (so students will attend classes that day), decrease the prom ticket price from \$80 to \$50. Grads will do the Grad walk along the boardwalk promenade into the Grand, and instead of a sit down dinner, reception will be a more casual appies-and-dessert mingling affair with no seating, open to parents and dates at \$50 a ticket. No one has to leave or wait, a more continuous evening with a dance to follow. Parents leave around 9 pm.

Tricia Penny and Janelle Zebedee of SD23 Health Promoting Schools Committee

- Vaping Awareness for Parents- very informative presentation, information available at sd23.ca and Interior Health Authority online
- Social media is spreading vaping information and advertisements between peers and influencers, positive and negative
- Second hand vaping effect, at KSS 38% of students have tried vaping
- Sd23 is training teachers to deliver lessons about vaping awareness to middle school students. All Grade 5 & 6 students will receive vaping awareness lessons.

Adoption of the Agenda - M,S,C

Approval of previous meeting minutes - October 8th, 2019 - M,S,C

Purpose and Objectives of PAC (Read by Brenda)

- The purpose of the KSS PAC is to promote and improve the quality of education and the well being of students at Kelowna Secondary School

Aims and Objectives:

1. To advise the school board, principal and staff on any matter relating to the school. This may include procedures, programs, policies, plans, instructional programs/curriculum offerings, activities, facilities and equipment, budgetary matters and learning resources.

- 2. To encourage parent involvement in the school and to support programs that promote parent involvement.
- 3. To assist parents in accessing the public education system and to advocate on behalf of parents and students.
- 4. To promote parental education and awareness of educational issues and to provide a forum for discussion of educational issues.
- 5. To organize PAC activities and events
- Purpose and Objectives are posted on the PAC page of the KSS Website.
- Troy talked about curriculum and how parental input is used and valued

Principal's Report - Troy White, handout provided

- Numeracy assessments were completed recently, they are required to graduate
- November 19th, Central Family of Schools Community Forum at Dr. Knox Middle School
- November 20, Grad Winter Formal
- November 21 Report Cards go home
- Junior Boys Volleyball Prov. at KSS
- December 4-7th Night Owl Theater Fall show- A Christmas Carol
- December 9 Music Concert
- December 10 Jazz Music /Choral
- December 11 Capstone for Gr. 12 English first semester students, dismissal 12:30pm
- December 18 Locker Cleanout 1:51pm
- December 20 Last day of school prior to Winter Break
- January 6 School reopens

Executive Reports

Co-Chairs - Brenda Maier & Susan Zimmermann

- Dry grad forms and tickets available
- Parents asking if Gr. 11 could also have an event, possibly at year end?
- Troy spoke about Gr. 11/12 events, he will speak to Fane Triggs (Leadership teacher)

Treasurer- Janet Dillon (absent)

- Gaming account, Sept. 30 \$ 43,899.98
- General account, Sept. 30 \$ 971.73

Secretary - Kim Cresswell - no report

Academic Chair - Iryna Storozhuk - no report

Applied Skills Chair - Margaret Zhang

- Fallan Freeman reports that the graphic printer/vinyl cutter for t-shirts has arrived.

Athletic Co-Chairs - Marc Miles & Cinzia Miles

- 4A Boys basketball team has had tryout and the team has been picked and is practicing getting ready for their first game
- All other Basketball teams are in the tryout process next week, which have been advertised in the newsletter, website and on the daily announcements

- Sr. Boys and Sr. Girls B Basketball tryouts are as follows:
 Nov. 12 8-9:30pm, Nov. 13 8-9:30pm, Nov. 14 3:30-5pm, Nov. 18 7-8:30am
- Congratulations to the KSS Varsity Football team for beating Carson Graham 62 21 in the first round of the provincial playoffs! The Owls have now earned a game in the quarter finals at BC Place against Vancouver College! Go Owls!
- **JV Football** won their 1st playoff game yesterday (Wednesday) against Terry Fox and advances to the 2nd round to be played at the coast next week in Vancouver.
- **Jr Boys Basketball** Tryouts Nov 12, 13,14th 6:30-8 pm, all interested players need to attend all 3 days.
- **Jr Girls Basketball** Tryouts Nov 12, 13,14th 6:30-8 pm, all interested players need to attend all 3 days.
- Congratulations to our **KSS swim team** provincial qualifiers! Provincials are Nov. 15/16 in Richmond. Good luck to all participants!
- Congratulations to the **Jr. Boys Volleyball team** for winning gold at the Elgin Park Invitational tournament. The team hopes to build on this momentum going into city and valley championships. Go Owls!
- **Jr Girls V-ball** finished 2ndin the OCSAA playoffs on Wednesday. Going to OVSAA playoffs next week.
- Sr Girls Volleyball A and B in City Championships Today
- **Sr Boys Volleyball B** team finished 3rd in their playoffs on Wednesday
- 3A Boys V-ball and 4 A Girls V-ball host OVSAA championships Nov 15 & 16 at KSS
- Sr Girls B V-ball going to a Tier 2 Invitational provincials Nov. 14-16th in Vancouver
- **X-country**...this past weekend 4 runners from KSS attended the Provincials, two ran extremely well and finished with a PB for that distance.
- Sr Boys Soccer team lost to MBSS in the OVSAA semi-final last Monday
- **Sr Girls Field Hockey Team** won OVSAA championships last week and is off to Provincials Nov 12-15 in North Van, going into the tournament ranked 4th

Fine Arts Chair - Sarah Marriott - absent

Student Support Chair - Lori Raible - no report

COPAC Representative - Maureen O'Hanley Doucette - no report

Unfinished Business

- Update from Maureen re: KSS PAC Award for COBSS

New Business

Parent Questions/Comments

Meeting Adjournment- 8:02 pm **Next Meeting -** Tuesday January 14th. 2020, 6:30pm KSS Library