

KSS PAC Minutes
Tuesday, October 9, 2018

In attendance: Joy Godel, Brenda Maier, Sarah Marriott, Lori Raible, Valary Chidwick, Janet Dillon, Marc Miles, Maureen O'Hanley Doucette, Kim Cresswell, Miriam Tetler, Susan Zimmermann, Ernest Goh, Sharmine Spencer-Webb, Lane Lovig, Debbie Hoffele, Christyane Dorssers, Nicole Johnson, Margaret Zhang, Aubrey Zhang, Jodi-Ann Richards-Thomas, David Cochrane, Bridget Ingram, Deepu Mirchandani, Krista Berrigan, Eunhee Kim, Cinzia Miles, Ling Fu, Troy White (Principal)

Welcome & Introductions/Meeting start 6:35pm

Guest Speaker – Phil Bakker

Phil is a teacher at KSS and the Chair of the Awards Committee at KSS
KSS staff and students have been expressing decreasing support for the Awards Ceremony, due to many factors

Awards are no longer in align with the Provincial shift from a knowledge-based to a skills based curriculum

KSS Awards Committee has made a difficult, careful, thoughtful, research-based decision to no longer have an Awards Ceremony at KSS

Staff is working on ideas for celebrating learning instead of a ceremony, this needs to happen at the classroom level

KSS will still have convocation ceremonies along with presentation of scholarships, bursaries, etc.

1. Adoption of the Agenda – adopted by Cinzia Miles

2. Approval of the Minutes- September 11, 2018; motion by Brenda Maier to approve minutes as corrected, seconded by Cinzia Miles (note correction- spelling of Sharmine Spencer -Webb in attendance list), motion carried

3. Principal's Report – Troy White

Friday October 5, 2018 KSS staff had a very productive Day of Learning including guest speaker Jacob Pratt, First Nation Blanket exercise, cultural teaching, self-reflection and many other beneficial sessions

Students graduating in 2019 will be the last year to be in the MAP program, (My Action Plan)

MAP will be replaced by Capstone which will require graduating students to have an exit interview and a mentor, show progression over time, and be goal orientated (transitioning into adult life)

Grade 10 students will take Careers 10, Grade 11 will take Careers 11 and Grade 12 will take Capstone 12

all students have a Google account to keep track of their Graduating program
Ministry of Education is using KSS as a model for the Capstone Program development,
SD23 educators are working on how to fulfill the requirements
Documentary film ' Angst' will be presented at KSS Oct. 16th, 2018 at 1:45 pm and 6:30
pm, please sign up for free tickets at Eventbrite
Interim reports this week
Safety training drills will be completed by next week (lockdown, lockout, fire etc)
35 Grade 10 & 11 students will be involved in France student exchange over the next
4-6 weeks
Mr. White answered parent questions about dress code and uniforms

4. Executive Reports

Co-Chairs – Joy Godel & Sarah Marriott (no report)

Secretary – Kim Cresswell (no report)

Athletic Chair – Marc Miles, Valary Chidwick

- Jr. Best of the West Volleyball was last weekend, Jr. Boys finished 3rd, Jr. Girls won the tournament. Sr. Best of the West this weekend, Troy will post schedule online. 4A Girls continue to improve, 4B team is playing well and involved in the Best of the West.
- Jr. Football have not lost a game yet this fall. Sr. Football has won 2 in a row but play #1 ranked team on Friday night at 6:30pm at the Apple Bowl
- Sr. Boys Soccer has a home game Wednesday at 4pm vs. Salmon Arm, 1st league game
- Cross Country is going well, over 20 runners on Jr. & Sr. teams, both Sr. teams are leading the standings in the city at the present time, races are on Wednesdays.
- Sr. Girls Field Hockey have game at the Mission turf on Wednesday at 3 pm vs. South Kamloops, leave for Vancouver Thursday for tournament at UBC, ranked 3rd in BC
- outside Basketball courts ready by end of next week with all 6 poles & backboards & nets fully installed
- All Basketball teams will have tryout dates & times posted on message board in MPR by end of 3rd week October
- Athletics Dept. has requested funding from PAC for folding scoretables for the gym

Academic Chair – Iryna Storozhuk (absent, submitted report read by Valary Chidwick)

- English Dept. update from Dayna Culham – curriculum changes include converting Eng 11 into New Media and Focused Literary Studies 11, and Spoken Language and Composition 11, both of equal rigor. Communications 11 & 12 will be eliminated by 2019/20.
- Update from Kirsten Oleksewich- Avid Readers is an extra-curricular club for enjoyment and literary discussion. If these students find the club texts engaging, then they become part of the selection of Literature Circle books for Eng 10-12 classes. Plans are to select texts with diverse authors that reflect current issues of acceptance

and perseverance.

- Debate and Speech update from Kyla Bresch- Oct 27th is Pumpkin Trail debate that includes a trip to Trail, cost per student up to \$190. Regionals will be hosted at KSS in January, entry fee will cover cost of lunch, funds needed for awards and on-site custodian. Possible 2-night trip to Vancouver Island in February for Provincial tournament, transportation not yet confirmed, cost \$65 per student includes entry fee and dinner.

Applied Skills Chair – Sarah Marriott (no report)

Fine Arts Co-Chair – Maureen O'Hanley Doucette

KSS music Department has many upcoming events, including Allison Girvan Choral workshop on Oct. 11-12, Ethan Ardelli workshop Nov.8, and a Jazz Band workshop with New York Bassist Christian Fabian Nov. 18-20.

Chamber Choir at KSS at the Remembrance Day Ceremony Nov. 9

Dec.1 Choral Concert at St.Michael's, 2 & 7pm

Winter Concert will be Dec.4th, 7pm in KSS Gym

Miles Black & KSS Combo's, Vocal Jazz concert Dec.6, 7pm at the Forum

Chamber Choir sings with Okanagan Symphony Dec. 20/21/22

Student Support Chair – Lori Raible

- Diversity club raised and donated \$1000 to Foundry Kelowna under the leadership of Grad 2018 Ashley Robinson.
- Resource Department is participating in a Staff lunch program where they make food and deliver it weekly, as well as a Friday coffee cart.
- Resource Department is involved in community programs that promote life skills including Fall Bowling league at Capri, Cool Arts at the Rotary Center, and games at Parkinson Rec Center.

COPAC – Valary Chidwick

COPAC Parent Conference moved to November 24, 2018, 9am – 5pm, Hollywood Road Education Center, 1040 Hollywood Road South, snacks/lunch provided, sessions include- PAC 101, mental health, social media, drug awareness, new curriculum, many other beneficial sessions, free tickets available through Eventbrite. Open to all parents/guardians

parents/guardians of students of SD23 welcome to sign up to COPAC Facebook Group

Superintendent report- 528 additional students in district this year, as well over 600 CEA's. We have the smallest class sizes ever, but our BC teachers/staff are #8 in Canada for compensation, making recruiting for staff difficult

Health Promotion School is sharing the following information

www.teenmentalhealth.org/explore/who-we-are, a site with information dealing with teen mental health by Dr. Stan Kucher, as well as

"Heart Matters: What to do with Children's Feelings" talk at Hollywood Road Center,

November 15th, 2018, 6-7:30pm <https://coeyp.ca/events-2991650>

COPAC has a webpage explaining their acronyms

Treasurer Report – Janet Dillon

As of September 28, 2018 PAC Bank statements show General account - \$260.76 and Gaming account - \$ 9,502.00

- Presentation of Proposed PAC Budget for 2018/2019 school year
- Gaming Funds received from BC Gaming for 2018/2019 for KSS \$42,360, that is based on \$24/student enrolled in school
- funds must be used to enrich student life, not for sole use in classroom, but for extra curricular activities and clubs. KSS club list is available on KSS website.
- KSS PAC Executive met on October 1, 2018 worked collaboratively to allocate funds to different departments according to teacher requests, reviewing the requests, funding and denials
- tabled a request from Athletics- Valary Chidwick will ask Arnar about requesting funds from Westerns Account to supplement possible \$3000 funding from PAC for new scoring table (total cost \$9000)
- tabled a request from Guitar Club, waiting until November for further details about electric guitar and equipment specifics, Maureen will report. Guitar Club is not in the Music program.
- Request for Science hotplates by Kulak will be revisited later in the school year
- Troy agrees that there is room to store a new stage requested by Fuller/Triggs, and granted, for Leadership for \$3000
- Dry Grad, PAC awards, Work Ethic awards amount to \$7000 from PAC
- Motion by Janet Dillon to accept budget as presented for \$33,775.00, seconded by Sarah Marriott, all in favor, motion carried.

5. Old Business – none

6. New Business

Sarah Marriott will monitor the PAC table at the Oct. 16th, 2018 Parent-Teacher conferences session, 4:30pm – 6:30

Parents invited to submit ideas for PAC meeting guest speakers

Joy read a thank-you card from a PAC award recipient

Meeting Adjourned: 8:09 pm

Next Meeting: Tuesday, November 20th, 2018 @ 6:30 pm