

KSS PAC MEETING MINUTES
Tuesday September 14th, 2021.

Present: Mr. Troy White, Mr. Robbie Franklin, Susan Zimmermann, Lori Raible, Belkis Toredi, Christey Hughes, Robyn Springer, Valary Chidwick, Michael Kormany, Michelle Kershaw, Iryna Storozhuk, Jody Bekhuys, Maureen O' Hanley Doucette, Wayne Broughton, Cadre Simpson, Abbey Westbury, Myrna Stark Leader, Carrie Broughton, Jessica Hamel, Janet Dillon

Meeting Called to Order: by Susan Zimmerman at 6:35pm.

Acknowledgment: Unceded traditional territory of the Okanagan People

Round Table of Introductions of the PAC Executive: Led by Susan Zimmermann - Co chair, Maureen O'Hanley Doucette - Indigenous Chair newly created chair , Iryna Storozhuk - Academic Chair, Belkis Toredi - Applied Skills Chair, Abbey Westbury - Arts Chair, Valary Chadwick - COPAC Rep, Lori Raible - Athletic Chair , Janet Dillon - Treasurer

Round Table of Attendees

Introduction of the Administration by Troy White: A-G Christey Hughes, H-N Robbie Franklin, O-Z Mike Kormany

Adopt the Agenda - Susan Zimmermann asks. Motion by Janet Dillon. 2nd Abbey Westbury. All in favor. Agenda approved

Principal's Report

- We are at about 1870 students which is similar to last year; we have more Grade 10: 597, Grade 11 :637, Grade 12: 636
- We expected less grade 10's, but more students have come from Alberta and Lower Mainland
- Add staff in Applied Skills and Arts for the Grade 10's
- They did not necessary get the electives they wanted
- 103 teachers, 38 CEA's
- Thank you to our counsellors, we did not hand out our timetables in June as we didn't know what September would look like, we handed them out the week before to adjust and accommodate, a full two weeks of changes
- Grade 11 / Grade 12, the Grade 10 did not get in the back way, there was an oversight, all students next year will do course selections online
- Online fees - please check online
- Health and Safety has not changed, there is still a gradual entry, staggered breaks, they are not to be in the halls or the gym, we do not have lockers to prevent crowding, they are dismissed at lunch in a staggered break
- We are an open campus meaning the student can leave, we are also closed meaning that no one else should be on campus

- when the weather changes they can go to the gym to eat lunch
- Masks are a great part of our plan, the students are doing great
- We are creating a list of clubs on the website and our newsletters
- Athletics are starting, we had a great article on castanet, boys soccer, volleyball, cross country and field soccer
- We had a good opening with few bumps
- Tomorrow we will have grade assemblies, how do grade 11's work together with Owl Pride, this year they will be done by ZOOM - where they can connect
- Thursday night grade 10-12 by zoom exact same presentation that the kids will see
- Fire drill, earthquake Sept 22 first fire drill, 6 a year 3 in fall, 3 in spring
- Lockdown drill Sept 27, October 14th earthquake drill
- October 13th parent teacher interview - again by zoom, we are unable to meet by person, 5 minute conversation, you can request an in person, this is an early dismissal day
- How do we be kind to our neighbours to OC and KLO and the community, 1900 kids at lunch are respectful at lunch, OC is a closed campus, Circle K, Pandosy area - students are asked to wait outside and leave as soon as possible
- Parents can help a little bit, pick up the food and come back to the campus
- There is no controlled area for students to do their vaping, which we strongly discourage, we have nurse support, we feel it is healthier not to be on our campus, we would rather them walk, we do not want them to vape in the bathrooms, there is a fine on property for ground or the bathroom, many students will share the information with the admin when there is vaping, you will not see whole groups vaping - we are seeing less of that
- Successful school photo day on Monday
- Grade 10 parents, 330pm Okanagan college , KLO, KSS 5000 people dispersing at the same time, try to park on a side street, do not pull into the lot, on Raymer the busses get picked up there - do not park in the bike lane on Raymer
- Do not park in the staff parking lot - no drop off or pickup for students there
- What are sports looking like ? What about spectators? They are working with Interior Health, Viasport, tomorrow we are having meeting to determine the spectators, we have online cameras coming out of the gym, 50 inside, 100 outside, the rule doesn't talk about square footage (ex klo vs kss)

Question: are you considering the officials? Will those people be required to have vaccine passports?

Answer: We are an essential service, it is recommended but not regulated as we are an essential service.

Question: Are we able to set regulations ?

Answer: We take the direction from Interior Health, we are following the provincial guidelines.

- Vaccine passport - we may not be able to go bowling, field trips may be affected, the question will be can we go ? Parkinson rec centre, bowling etc.

Question: Are there opportunities for recreational sport ?

Answer: We actually have created two teams Black and Gold, we do not have the opportunity for intramural sports. We advertise community opportunities through the newsletter. We have the new courts out in the field

Question: Is the gym open for lunch?

Answer: No because some kids need to eat their lunch there.

Comment: Athletics tryouts ? Many people feel that the team is already decided so why bother to try out.

Response: I appreciate the feedback.

The B Teams - we are trying to call it black or gold teams, perhaps we do the advertising by June for the Grade 9's, and they get to play in league games and tournaments

Truth and Reconciliation Week will be Sept 27-Oct 1st

September 30th we will be observing the day, not in session

Co-Chair Report - none

Treasurer Report - Summary of what we have spent this year, 13,000 not spent from last years gaming fund - \$7000 that we will carry forward, we will honor them, together we will then allocate for this years request, we will ask the teachers to give our requests, we usually get \$36,000 for field trips or assets, we will meet and then go over the requests, some will be done for the school some will be funded by the PAC, we are meeting on October 29th so that the teachers will have some time to consider what they want to spend

Balance: \$16 637, Gaming\$311.57 General account , BCCPAC Dues were paid with BC gaming funds, as allowed under new guidelines.

Athletics - none

Applied Skills Report - none

Student Support - none

Academics Report - none

Arts Report - none

Indigenous - none

COPAC – Valary Chidwick:

- Ryan Stierman, Secretary-Treasurer presented on the catchment review of the Okanagan Mission Schools and Westside Schools. This will have an impact on all the zones within the district.
- There will be a consultation process about the review of catchment areas
- Central Okanagan School District is the 4th fastest growing School District in Canada, and the 1st in BC
- SD is at 106% capacity for the schools.
- New schools and renovations of school projects are funded by the province
- Portable classrooms come out of the school district budget operating funds and are quite expensive. Less portables mean more money for staff.
- KSS is full and is more than anticipated (1650 students is our capacity), encouraged to connect to our MLA's
- Eschool is 1/3 in size than it was last year
- Covid notifications - there will be none, there will be contact tracing so if you have been in contact you will be contacted
- There will be 5 pop up clinics in our schools, students can access health care after age 12
- No Cohorts his year

Maureen Update: KSS Go Fund Me

GO Fund Me \$83289.00 In Total: \$85319.12 for the families, paid 28439.70 on the 17th of August to each family

Troy White: it also helped our community, people asking our help, parents were appreciative, grieving with the families, there are admin procedures for the passing of students

New Business

A form to the entire staff will be sent to ask for funding request, it is gaming money - it has to be sent for extracurricular activities not for general curriculum requirements, the teachers will write out what they want, then they go to Troy, Troy will see what is in his budget, and then we will go over the requests , budget meeting will be in November, not curricular use, typically we will try to see the funds within the one calendar year (Susan and Janet discuss)

We try to do in 2x a year to ensure that all the teams and clubs will have a chance to access the funding , some in fall term, some in the spring terms

Janet has shown the sample of the residual amounts of what was allocated and spent last year to give an example , some monies will be put back and reallocated , based on the number of

kids last year on record from the ministry of education

Discussion of the actual dates to hand to teachers

Susan to fix the dates to send to Troy

October 29th - budget meeting. The chairs go through and then the recommendations are brought forth to the November 9th to the General PAC members, we will send out the information so people have a chance to go over

PAC Email: kss.pac@sd3.bc.ca

Social Media KSS PAC - suggestion from a parent, we can consider, they are attached to a person so it is difficult to pass it along, we will mention to the other executive

Kssbrightsign - twitter account

Meeting Adjourned