KSS PAC Minutes Tuesday, February 10, 2015

In attendance:

Heather Fashanu, Janice Loukras, Lilianna Perez-Lefevre, Brenda Maier, Rachael Fleming, Brenda Hudson, Darlene Kinakin, Valary Chidwick, Shauna Taylor, Danova Collins-Turner, Joy Godel

Welcome/Meeting start 6:45 pm

Presentations: Patti Buna from Career Services presented the services provided by her department and the web links available as well as presentations for parents and students to attend.

- 1. Adoption of the Agenda for Feb 10, 2015-Motioned and seconded. Carried
- 2. Approval of the Minutes from Jan 13, 2015- Motioned and seconded. Carried
- 3. Principal's Report -

Vianne Kitzinger - course selection February 16-20 and report cards home February 13th - see Whooos News for more info.

Check on the website for updated handbooks/timetables and calendars

4. Executive Reports

Chair - Janice Loukras - PAC website has been updated - We were asked by the Dry Grad Committee to use the PAC letterhead for fundraising requests. The PAC executive via email agreed upon this after discussion with Mrs Kitzinger

Vice Chair - vacant

Treasurer - Darlene Kinakin - see spreadsheet - Interact club requesting funds advised to put in a paper request for funds with details

Secretary - Heather Fashanu - cards were sent to 2 retiring staff as well as two "Get Well" cards.

Academic Chair - Susan Zimmerman - no report

Applied Skills Chair- Tom Morgan - absent

Fine Arts Chair- Liliana Perez-Lefevre - - Encore will be at the Kelowna Community Centre, February 16th and 17th tickets available. There was discussion regarding audition dates for theatre club - and ensuring students know in advance when auditions are held for the following years.

Athletic Chair - Terri Birker - absent

COPAC - Val Chidwick - free talk by Gary Anaka: Brain Health & Wellness Speaker, Discovering the Secrets of a Healthy Brain, Parent Workshop Thursday, Feb 19 7-8:30 - see COPAC website for further update and details.

SPC - Rachael Fleming - met January 15th and reviewed provincial exam results from last year and noted some concerns regarding lower results in English 10 & 12, Apprenticeship and Workplace Math, which now has two teachers per class to better assist students succeed. There was also some concern that French Emersion Science Grade 10 exam was lower than English Science Exams written, ways to better support students with an emphasis on French vocabulary. We now have extra support for all math students with lunchtime and after school support. There was discussion whether the lower exam marks could be a result of strike action and its overall negative impact on students.

4. New Business

Attached is information regarding anxiety in teens that was part of a presentation given by our Mental Health Clinician, Courtney to staff members.

A letter was sent out to staff to nominate students from semester one for PAC Awards - we have started to receive some response.

Next PAC meeting will be the AGM and elections.

Each Chair Executive member should come prepared with their year end report

Adjournment 8:45 pm

Next meeting Tuesday March 10, 2015 @ 6:45 pm