



COWICHAN SECONDARY PAC MINUTES

March 4, 2015

The meeting was called to order by Sara Lowe at 6:00 PM

IN ATTENDANCE

Sara Lowe, Christine Cools, Caroline Kirman, Mary Noakes, Betty Murray, Shannon Porcher, Deana Nickerson, Charlie Coleman, Jamie Doyle.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- Minutes from February 2015 approved - Caroline Kirman, 2nd Christine Cools.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

- Agenda approved - Christine Cools, 2nd Caroline Kirman.

REPORTS:

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT – Charlie Coleman

- No new funding requests received.
- Main curtain and side curtain at Quamichan Theatre are in need of replacing. Trying to get funding from rentals and school board. Approx. \$6,000.00. More information at next meeting. Request for consideration.
- Another big ticket item for consideration is the rock wall at Mt. Prevost.
- Newsletter came out this week.
- Parent/Teacher interviews will be held on Thursday, March 26, 2015.
- Course selections to come back before March break.
- Satisfactory surveys come out after March break.
- Great Pink Day for anti-bullying.
- Excel Program information night coming up.

- Scholarship information night tonight at 7:00 in the Library.
- Carnival was great success - Received great feedback from Elementary Teachers how great the Senior students are.
- Band students won at Music Festival :)
- Grad Council had a BBQ.
- Basketball is finished - Seniors and Juniors going to Provincials.
- Rugby started up for both boys and girls.

CAMPUS PRINCIPAL'S REPORT - Jamie Doyle

- Koodo's to Jesse Whittington for great success with Carnival.
- Grade 8/9 is an awkward grade for Carnival, so plans to figure how to engage them more in it.
- Winter Activity Day was great - received comments and compliments from BC Transit and BC Ferries how great the students were.
- Course selections for Grade 8 are not done until after March break as teachers find it difficult for Grade 7's to stay focussed if talks about Grade 8.
- Discussion about having talks for parents so as not to lose student (including French Immersion) to other schools and districts.
- Will hold a parent information night once course selections are made.
- Transitions for 9 feeder schools - Leadership students, Principals and Counsellors go to each school.
- QHL wrapping up with finals on Friday.
- QFHL starts first week after March break.
- Gary Anaka talk met with mixed results - felt it would be better for Grade 9 students (Caroline will check if Gary is alright with that).
- White Hatter (Darren Laur) will be doing internet safety talk for Grade 8 students.
- Upcoming talk on gang violence.
- New mural is on hold due to floor issues.

TREASURER'S REPORT - Mary Noakes

- No activity other than interest.
- Cheque 568 was issued to transfer Bingo money from Gaming Account to General Account (deposited to wrong account). The cheque has been lost.

Motion to stop payment on cheque 568 and issue a new cheque made by Mary Noakes, 2nd Caroline Kirman.

CHAIR REPORT - Sara Lowe

- No report.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

DPAC REPORT - Caroline Kirman

- School Goals workshop will be held at Quamichan Campus on Monday, 30MAR2015 6:30-8:30.
- Kerri Isham talk "Body Smart From Start" for K -7 is being held at Ecole Mt. Provost on Wednesday, 22APR2015 6:30 - 8:30. Open to all parents.
- Healthy Schools Cowichan - Public Health (sex. ed.), Healthy Eating (dieticien) and Mental Health will be held at Quamichan Campus on Monday, 13APR2015. Open to all parents.
- DPAC will be sending out a letter tomorrow to the School Board regarding feedback from all PACs on the new school calendar.
- PIR (new Cowichan Secondary School) sub committee are going to get started up again.
- Resources sharing among PACs is being discussed.
- Update on LGBTQ committee.
- Next DPAC meeting is Thursday, 02APR2015.

Motion to pass all report made by Deana Nickerson, 2nd Shannon Porcher.

SPC REPORT

- No report.

DRY GRAD REPORT -

- Beer and Burger at Just Jakes is set for Sunday, 12APR2015.
- License for 50/50 to be requested through PAC.
- Music Bingo Trivia at Duncan Lodge is tentatively set for 02MAY2015.
- Moos Pizza is current fundraiser.
- Next meeting is Monday, 13APR2015 at 7:00 in the Cowichan Secondary Library.

STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE REPORT

- No report.

CANADIAN PARENTS FOR FRENCH (CPF) REPORT - Christine Cools

- Meeting is tonight.
- Meetings will be held the first Wednesday of each month.

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND CORRESPONDENCE

- N/A

OLD BUSINESS

- Breakfast program - help is always needed. Liz McKinnon is running it.
- There is possible funding available for the Breakfast Program - deadline to apply is 01JUN2015.
- A meeting place has been set up for French Immersion students to meet at lunch.
- Robyn Grill presentation - Caroline to get an updated link to be posted on PAC facebook.
- UBC Workshop "Geering up" - can we get it here. Charlie to look further into it.

NEW BUSINESS

- Staff appreciation - not sure when it is.
- Discussion about communication with Grade 7 parents and not getting invited to Secondary School.
- Notice went out to all grad parents - Dry grad is co-ordinating baby photos for the year book.
- LGBTQ - there is a trip to Seattle.
- PIR meeting - Mona Kaiser attended the meeting. The second site possibility of old School District building is off the table. Only original site still.

NEXT MEETING

- Subject to change next meeting dates (7:00 PM in the Library):
- 08APR2015
- 13MAY2015
- 10JUN2015

Meeting adjourned at 7:00 PM.

Submitted by: _____

Approved by: _____

