



COWICHAN SECONDARY PAC MINUTES

May 13, 2015

The meeting was called to order by Sara Lowe at 6:12 PM

IN ATTENDANCE

Sara Lowe, Christine Cools, Caroline Kirman, Betty Murray, Dana Cowan, Katrina Grounds, Danielle Lymburner, Charlie Coleman, Geoff Drew.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- Minutes from April 2015 with amendment of Mr. Drew's retirement date being 31JUL2015 approved - Caroline Kirman, 2nd Katrina Grounds.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

- Agenda approved - Caroline Kirman, 2nd Katrina Grounds.

REPORTS:

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT – Charlie Coleman

- Lots of great things going on.
- Concert Band will have their Spring concert on 27MAY2015.
- Poetry Slam was a big success.
- Information nights were held for parents - 06MAY2015 at Cowichan Campus and 12MAY2015 at Quamichan Campus.
- Art show will be 22nd, 25th and 26th.
- Boys and Girls Rugby off to Provincials.
- Rock climbers raised approximately \$2,000.00 for Nepal.
- X-block plan: Advisory time every week for Grade 8 and 9 students. Grade 8 will be full advisory and do advisory activities, Grade 9 will depend on which campus they are on. Higher grades will have flex time.
- Huge thank you from Charlie and Geoff Drew for purchasing the new curtains at Quamichan Campus. (voted and passed via e-mail to approve funding: final cost is \$7,440.00)

CAMPUS PRINCIPAL'S REPORT - Geoff Drew

- Physics/Science Day at Playland tomorrow.
- Approx. 33 students took part in Grade 8 Math competition.
- Tentative date for dance is 03JUN2015.
- Grade 8/9 had a talk by Cowichan Tribes on cyber safety.

TREASURER'S REPORT - Mary Noakes (absent)

- Gaming account \$6,721.86.
- General account \$21,497.00.

CHAIR REPORT - Sara Lowe

- Deadline to apply for breakfast program support is 01JUN2015 - Sara will check with Liz MacKinnon if able to apply in time.
- Suggestion to look at student handbook on line as it seems to appear that there may be subject awards for grades 8 & 9 and that is not the case. Charlie will send out clarification on the mistake.
- Drone photographer - he does do it but has not confirmed availability that date (approx. 11:30 AM on 27MAY2015). Charlie will put it in the newspaper for photo as well. Sara will contact Andrew Leong and Lexie and Juice FM radio.
- Bursary Tea is tonight at 7:00. PAC doesn't make a selection - it is divided among those who apply, but do not get any other bursaries or scholarships.

Motion to pass all report made by Dana Cowan, 2nd Caroline Kirman.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

DPAC REPORT - Caroline Kirman

- Letter to Minster of Education approved by DPAC reps. regarding funding cuts (Caroline will forward copy of letter to attach to minutes). School Calendar (3 years) was reviewed. First years is shorter year due to late Labour Day and early last Friday in June. ****This will effect Dry Grad date for next year**.**
- Cowichan Healthy Schools was postponed until the Fall.
- Keri Isham talk took place on 22APR2015.
- BCCPAC resolutions were made at the AGM held 01MAY2015 weekend.
- Next meeting 28MAY2015.

SPC REPORT

- No report.

DRY GRAD REPORT -

- Hot Dog sale will be held at Wal-Mart on Saturday, 16MAY2015.
- B&C Food's fundraiser will run again at beginning of June.
- Date for next year will be 21JUN2016.
- Next meeting is Monday, 01JUN2015 at 7:00 in the Cowichan Secondary Library.

STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE REPORT - Haeley Lowe

- Grad council has raised approximately \$4,200.00.
- Next fundraiser will be bagging groceries at Superstore by donation.
- Grad t-shirts have arrived.
- Banquet tickets will be \$60.00 and go on sale next week.
- Teacher sign-up sheet for helping at banquet has gone out.
- Grad spirit week will be 08JUN2015 - 12JUN2015 with theme days.

CANADIAN PARENTS FOR FRENCH (CPF) REPORT - Christine Cools

- AGM was held on 06MAY2015.
- Couple new people attended.

- New Board elected. President: Blaine Castle, Vice President: Angie Szabo, Treasurer: Julieta Harris, Secretary: outstanding, Communications: Sandrine Goble, Membership: Mona Kaiser.
- Provincials for Concours was held. Sara attended and said it was amazing. A grade 7 student from Cobble Hill took first place.
- September/October is membership drive.
- Next meeting 26AUG2015 at Mona Kaiser's house.

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND CORRESPONDENCE

- N/A

OLD BUSINESS

- UBC workshop "Gearing Up" - tabled.
- Mental health room - no specific room has been set up at this time, but Teachers know of areas to utilize.
- Parent/Teacher communication on line tool - Caroline will look further into this - No update.

NEW BUSINESS

- Help will be needed for walk up. Notice will go out to Grade 11 parents.
- Dry Grad will be held on the last Thursday of school after next year (early next year on 21JUN2015).
- Discussion no Grade 9's moving between campuses and how it is working out.

Funding requests:

Theresa Nicholson for additional metal paint to paint lockers - \$350.00.

Motion to approve up to \$350.00 for metal paint. Caroline Kirman, 2nd Dana Cowan.

Field trip for Spanish students to attend a documentary at IMAX (60 students) - \$300.00.

Motion to approve up to \$300.00 for Spanish field trip. Katrina Grounds, 2nd Dana Cowan.

Danielle Lymburner for Girls Rugby for Provincials Up to \$2500.00

Motion to approve up to \$2500.00 for Girls Rugby. (subject to other money available from earlier this year and previous year for athletics) Caroline Kirman, 2nd Dana Cowan.

Mr. Drew: Food for Canoe Races at Quamichan Campus (all Grade 8 and 9 students participate) - \$1,000.00.

Motion to approve up to \$1,000.00 for food for Canoe Races. Mary Noakes, 2nd Christine Cools.

Mr. Drew: Breakfast Program needs new equipment: Microwave, toaster, pots and pans as all equipment is very old (open to all students) - \$1,000.00.

Motion to approve up to \$1,000.00 for new equipment for Breakfast Program. Dana Cowan, 2nd Mary Noakes.

ALL MOTIONS (EXCEPT SPANICH FIELDTRIP) SUBJECT TO A REVIEW OF FINANCIALS FROM LAST YEAR THAT MAY STILL BE AVAILABLE IF NOT USED YET. ALSO REVIEW IF FUNDS STILL AVAILABLE FROM BEAUTIFICATION FUND FROM MT. PREVOST.

NEXT MEETING

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

Meeting adjourned at 8:15 PM.

Submitted by: _____

Approved by: _____

