

Minutes of the Kitsilano Secondary Parent Advisory Council and AGM

AGM KSS Rooms 104/105 Tuesday, October 30 2018, 7:00 pm

PRESENT:

PAC EXECUTIVE (2018/19 school year)

Chair:Daniela GirardVice-Chair:Robert Schwetzke

Co Treasurers: Kim Wilson-McCreath, Maki Kristiansen(past)

Secretary: Jennifer Brandon; Judith Tracey & Martina Mitterer (assistants)

Members at Large: Paula Jerez, Rebecca Jennings (Athletics Liaison), Daniela Kurland (website),

Jacqueline Crummey (Fundraising), Maria Dabiri (Graduation), Yulia Luzhbina, Tassadite Delepine, Ellie Rubin (Fundraising/Communications), Wayde Hayley

(Fundraising), Catherine Frost, Catherine Mugica

DPAC Representatives: Alan Patola Moosmann

Past Chair: Norma Biln

Guests: Principal Ms. Ranjit Bains; Teacher representative Carol-Anne McMillan

Number of attendees who signed in (including Exec): 29

Meeting called to order at 7:21 pm

1. Approval of the Agenda

a. **MOTION**: Approval of Agenda

Moved: Rebecca Barker Seconded: Norma Biln CARRIED by majority

2. Approval of the September 25, 2018 PAC minutes

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Moved: Rebecca Barker Seconded: Norma Biln CARRIED by majority

3. School Updates

- a. Student Council: Ms. Bains in place of student representative Nicky Mirmohammadi
 - i. Grade 8 election took place, 14 candidates, (3) reps were elected
 - ii. Halloween Activities take place tomorrow (Haunted House, Halloween Howl)
 - iii. Canley Cup (food drive for Vancouver Food Drive)
- b. Teacher Update: Carol-Anne McMillan
 - i. Modul UN: (80) children in the club, conference December 6, 2018

- 1. Last year, first school-wide Model UN, will plan one for spring that will invite other schools, January is a Vancouver-based Model UN
- 2. Madame Perrot is the teacher sponsor
- 3. Ms. Bains to provide more details at November PAC meeting
- c. Principal's Report
 - i. Parent concern: not enough textbooks
 - 1. Some programs have not chosen their textbook yet
 - 2. New curriculum has provided opportunity for other learning
 - 3. Looking at alternative resources to maintain up-to-date learning
 - ii. School Cash: feedback provided, collated, and passed on to district, changes already taking place
 - iii. Reminder: Term end in November
 - iv. Kits Cards for students and teachers that follow and emulate Code of Conduct
- 4. Treasurer's Report: Kim Wilson-McCreath
 - a. Financial Update
 - i. Reviewed current state of financials (Ending Balance: \$9,371)
 - ii. Down in parent donations, up in gaming
 - iii. \$190,000 of requests from teachers for funding, we will disperse \$46,158

5. Teacher Submissions

- a. Reviewed process for allocation of donations
 - i. Account for new PAC fund collected
 - ii. Receive submissions from teachers
 - iii. Summarize and compare to previous year's requests
 - iv. Review with Principal and Executive Team
 - 1. Are there other funding possibilities for the request?
 - 2. Longevity of program
 - 3. Number of children impacted
 - 4. Academic vs Clubs, Sports, Arts
 - v. Allocate what is available
 - vi. Continue to raise funds in order to fund it all throughout the year

6. Donation Allocations

- i. Weight Room, Ice Hockey tournament no fundraising suggested, initiate direct fundraising and provide assistance to teams
- ii. Parent donations went to academics first
 - 1. Modern language and French Immersion requests will be funded by federal grants for cultural
- iii. Student Services (\$10k request), funded \$3k
- iv. Pre-employment (laptop request) laptop, teacher laptops/tablets will be reallocated (30), some will be provided pre-employment program
- v. School parliament furniture question
 - 1. Decision to help without the furniture, but school requires specific furniture so will work to fund
- vi. Arts program request \$8k, funded 50%
 - 1. This area was funded more last year
- vii. Parent Question: not enough seating for lunch for students

- Ms. Bains, budgeted for tables and stools for different areas, will continue ongoing
- 2. Direct fundraiser is possible

7. Fundraising – Norma Biln

- a. Wants to fund it all
- b. Go back to previous donors as they are in the habit of giving
 - i. Specific donors in mind that Norma will reach out to
 - ii. Encourage donors with an Arts Donor Wall, Computer Lab Donor Wall, Exercise Room could be funded from the chair-ity event
 - iii. Will continue to update us, feel free to reach out if you want to get involved
- c. Parent Question: will there be a committee for fundraising
 - i. Yes, Norma Biln will organize

8. Volunteer Skills required

- a. Pub Night organization (December)
 - i. Event for parents to get together and connect and build community
 - ii. Needed: silent auction items, guest list tables, 50/50, selling tickets, contacting pub
 - 1. There is a Colony Pub contact, Norma has a few silent auction items already
 - 2. Teacher rep volunteered to attend
- b. Speaker Events
 - i. Receive and field speaker night requests
 - ii. Review contacts, is there a cost, what is appropriate for our school (eg. Helping kids to Bounce Back, Building A Child's Self Esteem etc.)

9. DPAC Updates – Alan Patola Moosman

- a. There will be (2) newsletters PAC news and DPAC updates
- b. There is an ADHD Workship, November 15, 2018 at 7:00 PM at VSB Office (Candice Murray, Daphne Dokus, Provincial ADHD Clinic)
- c. SOGI presentation for DPAC to discuss teacher resources and tools, not curriculum
- d. A parent is spearheading the restoration of a hands-on music program; parents are asked to support should they agree
- e. DPAC is an Executive of 12, parents elected (nominations put forward from PACs), 5 seats are currently open, particularly a treasurer is needed, contact Alan directly
- f. Review of what DPAC does

Motion: call to approve disbursement as set out in documents

Moved: Patricia Thiel Seconded: Wayde Hayley CARRIED by majority

10. Annual 2018/2019 Activities

- a. Staff Appreciation Events
 - i. Christmas Cookie Bash Christina Morgan, coordinator

- ii. Spring Appreciation Lunch
- b. PAC Community & Awareness
 - i. Parent Teacher Conference
 - ii. Arts Night Fundraiser
 - iii. Pub Nights
- c. Student Support
 - i. PAC Scholarships & Student Positive Action Award
 - 1. Awarded to students with exceptional contributions to the school and environment, asked teachers for recommendations, not academic
 - 2. Parent Question: Is there criteria? Norma yes the PAC could set it. What values? New school mission and values. Volunteer: Rebecca Jennings (each grade)

11. Closing Comments – Daniela Girard and members

- a. Future meeting date (November 27, 2018)
- b. Pub Night (Dec) at Colony Pub in Kits
 - i. Parent Question: Can the invitation be sent as a calendar invitation

12. Adjourn

a. **MOTION:** Adjourn the meeting.

Moved: Patricia Theil Seconded: Rob Severin CARRIED by majority

Meeting adjourned at 8:21pm

Next meeting 7pm room 104/105 November 27, 2018

Minutes Respectfully Submitted by: Jennifer Brandon - Incoming Secretary