

PAC Meeting - SASS/JLJ

Tuesday April 25, 2023 – Jackson Library, 7:00 pm

Attendance: Teena Biley, Kayla Vannieuwenhuizen, Gord Ritchie, Rob Cadden, Terry Stone, Marianne Vanbuskirk, Ellen Gonella, Andreas M, Elayna Young

Call to order 7:03

Teena motions to adopt January minutes. Terry motions to adopt, Teena seconds. All in favour.

Treasurer report

- a) Only change besides the usual service charges is the \$75 cheque cashed to reimburse myself from paying the BCCPAC.

Principles report

Gord Ritchie, Jackson Campus Principle
(see attached if needed)

- a) Spring Sports
 - i) Rugby, soccer, mountain bike team, track and field, golf and ultimate frisbee all in full swing. Only downfall is the actual field is still unusable as per the City because they maintain it. Boys rugby team heading to 100 Mile House this weekend for another tournament.
 - ii) Staffing/timetable - busy working on the timetables for 2023/2024. Enrollment looks about the same.
 - 1) *Ellen G Q: Is there any idea/plan to offer Spanish next year?*
 - iii) Food program survey - link to a survey about the hot lunch program on behalf of Shuswap Food Action Society. Parents who do it will be entered to win a \$50 credit for the program.
 - iv) 4 day weekend - Pro D Day Friday and Monday.
 - v) Report cards - May 2nd. Teachers are working hard to adjust comments for more descriptive feedback.
 - vi) Attendance policy feedback - In April there were changes made to the attendance policy. How is it going?

- 1) Emails sent home each block of the student being absent or late.
- 2) Late slips required to enter class when late
- vii) Field trips - Thank you PAC for the support. So many things are happening from now through to June. See attachment.

Rob Cadden, Sullivan Campus Principle
(see attached if needed)

- a) Scholarship season - Students are encouraged to check with school counsellors for information.
- b) Shuswap Youth Launch - Thursday April 27th at the Salmar Classic Theatre.
- c) Grad updates - Tuesday May 2 (11:30am). Updates:
<https://sas.sd83.bc.ca/grad/>
- d) Lots on the go.
 - i) Sports: mountain biking, golf, track and field, soccer, rugby, badminton, tennis and archery.
 - ii) Many field trips are happening through June.
 - iii) Many clubs are in full swing. Great to see post Covid.
- e) Important dates*:
 - i) May 3 - Wellness Fair. Coordinated by the new SAS wellness program. Bringing in all sorts of people to speak about all areas of mental health and wellness.
 - ii) May 24 - SD83 Big Band Dance - all the bands in the district coming here for a night of music and fun.
 - iii) May 25th - Grad street painting
 - iv) May 31 - SD83 Indigenous Graduation
 - v) *many more, major highlights above. See attachment if needed.
- f) Gateway to Tech. Available for free to grades 10-12 students at Okanagan College. Increase technology skills, coding and other skills related to careers in the Information Technology Sector. .
Monday/Wednesday 5:00 pm to 8:30pm. September 20th is orientation. September 25th -February 12th, 2024. Students will receive 4 credits for course completion.

Trustee Update, Marianne Vanbuskirk

- a) April 28th is replacing the September 30th Pro D day that was missed due to the Queen's death. The theme around the Pro D day is Indigenous so they will be partaking in various events and listening to speakers throughout the day.

- b) School food program - \$900,002 given to the school district for food programs within schools.
- c) The Budget Survey (Thought Exchange) has seen quite a bit of traffic. Lots of opinions given so far. 362 participants, 289 thoughts (comments) 10,539 ratings (votes). Many factors to consider when creating the budget, and the budget will be tight this coming year. Two of the biggest costs have been staff absentees and utilities.

DPAC Report

- a) Terry said no meeting since our last. Some emails were sent out.

Old Business

- a) \$3320 currently sold for grad raffle. Will do another push before grad.
- b) PVSS has a connected room and a student has been transferred from there to Jackson. PAC support sought by parents for financing support to set up a room for this (some downtime, sensory overload etc). Not much room in the school but something may be able to be set up.

Adjournment 8:40pm