



Parent Advisory Council Meeting

Minutes

Tuesday April 27, 2021 –Virtual Meeting Online 7:00 pm

1. Call to Order:

Teena Billey called the meeting to order on Zoom at 7:00 pm

2. Welcome & Introductions:

Teena Billey (chair); Birgit Allen (Treasurer); Michelle Wellingham (Secretary); Rob Cadden (Sullivan Principal); Steve Drapala (Jackson Principal).

Visitors: Christy Wright (DPAC), Marianne VanBuskirk (Trustee); Tammie Koroluk; Darcy Calkins, Stacey Rands; Jennifer Reed; Heather O'Brien; Claudia Koch.

3. Adoption of Minutes:

Motion: to adopt Minutes from February 23, 2021

(Moved by: Birgit Allen; Second: Michelle Wellingham) Carried

4. Treasurer's Report: Birgit Allen

Report on File for April 27, 2021.

Cheques cut for Sullivan for \$286.16 (IAP field trips & Back to Basics) and Jackson for \$3712 (Maker Space Cart, Rugby Shields, Shuswap Music Festival & Painting Storage).

Gaming account balance: \$27,816

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5a. Principal's Report – Principal Jackson Campus: Steve Drapala

Report on File

News, Events & Activities

1. Report Cards for Term 3

- a. Available on Parent & Student Connect April 28; hard copy on request

2. Planning for next year – course selections in and timetable being built; hoping to be ready to share with students/families in early June
 - a. Expect between 602 – 626 students (currently 590 students with 20 in EOP)
 - b. Jackson will be getting 2 portables to accommodate students; timing for this may be less than ideal but there is a “Plan B” backup plan.
3. COVID Update
 - a. Total of 4 potential exposures to date this school year; no known transmission
 - b. Proper use of masks continues to be a challenge, but the increasingly nice weather is helping(!)
4. School Improvement Plan
 - a. Surveys data (parents, students, staff)
 - b. Waiting for next update of Public Health Measures

****SEE PRINCIPAL’S REPORT FOR RELEVANT CHARTS/GRAPHS/DATA**

Important Dates & Reminders

- Term 3 interim consultation weeks: May 17 - 21
- Non-Instructional Day: (Pro-D – School Based): Fri, May 21
- Victoria Day: Mon, May 24 (stat holiday)
- PAC meeting – Tues, May 25 ****later changed to Tues, June 1****
- Term 4 report cards available: Thurs, June 24
- Last day of School: Thurs, June 24; Students & CUPE (9:15 – 11:30 am) (busses run 3 hours early)
- Summer Break: June 26 – Sept 5
- Schools Reopen: Tues, Sept 7
- School Photo Day: Wed, Sept 8
- School Photo Re-Takes: Wed, Oct 20

5b. Principal’s Report – Principal Sullivan Campus: Rob Cadden

Report on file

News, Events & Activities

1. New bleachers will be installed over summer
2. Term 3 report cards available April 28 and 29
3. District/Authority Scholarship = Friday, April 30
 - a. \$1250 awarded to 5,500 high school graduates who have demonstrated excellence in their chosen area – see link in Principal’s Report for details
4. Graduation Ceremony Updates
 - a. Dates set for June 23 & 24
 - b. Will be hosted outside at the school, under tents
 - c. Scheduled times for each grad and guests (hoping for > 10)

- d. Plans still very fluid
- e. Grad fees still \$150; reimbursements issues if costs decrease

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- Term 3 interim consultation period: May 19 & 20
- May Long Weekend: May 21 – 24
- Blocks switch (D in morning, B in afternoon): May 25

6. DPAC Report

- Christy reported on April 13 DPAC meeting, noting most of meeting was devoted to discussion about Long Range Facilities Plan
 - Specific concerns noted about options E4 (2 middle schools; 1 high school) and E5 (1 middle school; 2 high schools) – DPAC sending survey about these 2 options & special Board meeting scheduled for May 12
- Diverse Abilities Advocacy Committee (Inclusive Education)
 - Had considered another Speech Language Pathologist (SLP) but went ahead with another Learning Resources Teacher (LRT)
 - Will use graduation rates to monitor how kids are doing, also looking for other measures

7. Old Business

- No old business

8. New Business

- Athletic Jerseys – Gaming Request
 - Need to disburse gaming monies, have couple years from time received, thus current \$ needs to be gone by Fall 2021 (\$27K in gaming account)
 - \$13K allocated to be approved for Spring 2021, but now seeking motion to wait for outcome of Long Range Facility Plan (LRFP)
 - Motion: to wait for outcome of Special Meeting on LRFP before fully allocating gaming funds
(Moved by: Teena Billey; Second: Birgit Allen) Carried
- Call for other new business –
 - Mariane VanBuskirk attended in role as SD83 Trustee, primarily provided update about Long Range Facility Plan
 - Noted that new high school for Sorrento also now raised as option
 - General consensus – not been enough consultation
 - 300 responses received from survey, with responses split down the middle, maybe longer timeframe for survey would have helped and perhaps bad timing due to COVID
 - Do need to plan as Implementation is 2022 – 2023, so decision needs to be made and planning started by Fall 2021
 - All Trustees spoke at meeting, noting 4 of 5 are leaning towards E5, including herself, which is:

- K – 5 for elementary
- 6 – 8 for middle x 1 school
- 9 – 12 for secondary x 2 schools
- 5th Trustee, Marty Gibbons, vocal about concerns re. the options others are leaning towards, and sympathetic to parent concerns about both these options (i.e. E4 and E5)
- Trustee Krebs floated possibility of using SMS as high school
- Special Board meeting to be held May 12 from 5 – 7 pm, and the regular Board meeting is scheduled for May 18 6 – 9 pm
- Marianne to forward audio transcript of above, but can also be found on SD83 site, FB and Twitter

9. Adjournment 8:00 pm

Date of next PAC meeting: May 25, 2021 @ 7pm via Zoom

****later changed to June 1, 2021 @ 7pm via Zoom****

Teena Billey: President
Name/Title

April 27, 2021
Date

Signature

Michelle Wellingham: Secretary
Name/Title

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Signature