

## **RBSS DRAFT PAC MINUTES OCTOBER 07, 2020**

1. Larissa called the virtual meeting to order at 6:36 pm.
2. ***Motion #1: "Adopt the October 7, 2020, Agenda as presented."*** Salome C. / Paula W.  
Passed
3. ***Motion #2: "Minutes from the September 23 meeting be approved."*** Paula W./Salome C. Passed
4. **REPORTS:**
  - A) **President:** Larissa thanked everyone attending the meeting. SPEAC will be helping PACs set up their own MS Teams so we could arrange the PAC meetings. This has not been established yet. Larissa is hopeful it will be ready for the November meeting. A thank you to Marie for organizing this meeting.
  - B) **Vice President:** Marianne, no report.
  - C) **Treasurer:**

Salome reported our financial status as of October 7, 2020.

    - The Gaming account balance: \$5618.57
    - The General account balance: \$641.98
    - Salome checked the BC Gaming website and there will be a delay in disbursements to the schools because of other pressing funding issues during COVID. The Gaming Funds will be released at the end of October. This is later than previous years.
    - The \$75 payment to BCCPAC has cleared the account. The \$50 payment for SPEAC has not been processed yet.
  - D) **Secretary:** Cindy will be away for the November meeting so Larissa will be looking for a volunteer to take the minutes.
  - E) **Communication Officer:** Unfortunately, Marie was having technical difficulties getting into this virtual meeting. No report.
  - F) **SPEAC:**
    - Paula reported they have not had their meeting yet this month so there is little to report. They are looking at organizing an online Summit, the date will be announced soon. There is a survey sent to all PACs to see what issues they would like addressed at the summit.

**G) Principal's Report:**

- The staff realize that the atmosphere is very different at the school. The building is still very quiet but they are hoping by getting back to a partial return to sports and other activities, there will be a higher school spirit.
- The volleyball teams, thanks to Diane Mackinnon are back up and running within the guidance of the Health and Safety Committee.
- Mike thanked the PAC for their support.
- The school building closes down at 5pm- 11pm to allow for the deep cleaning needed each day. There are no other user groups allowed in at this time. All school activities must be completed by 5 pm.
- The Academies were shut down for two weeks because they realized the school needed to ensure the return to school protocols were working and to get everyone back into a safe space. The various partners with the return to sports/academies worked together to ensure safety in the classes.
- The Music Program will be featured by Ed Bain from "The Upside" next week. The Band will be showcasing their talents. For that day, the school will have an exemption to stay open for one extra hour – 4pm-6pm.
- So far, the 1/8 model is working well, the staff are pleased. The staff have reported that attendance is higher than normal. Student grade point is up by 5% on average and there are less behavior issues reported. The teachers also reported a lower stress level. On October 14, the first courses would be ending. The reports on the first courses will be coming out and the staff will look at the results.
- There is no indication of the government considering shutting down schools.
- TASK program is running well and they have completed six sheds to sell to the public.
- The school enrollment is reduced by approximately 90 students, and these are mainly our expected international students. Only five students are being home schooled at this point. We are expecting to see the number of grade 12 students reduced in the second term because many will have their required courses completed for grade 12.
- The school still has a few minor construction jobs being completed. One includes the painting of the theatre floor.
- Mike reported that the school had an unexpected fire drill this past week. The cause was the defunct sprinkler system left over from the portables which have now left the grounds.
- The Numeracy exam for the current grade 12s will happen in November. There will be no English exam.
- Mike spoke about mask wearing. There is a high compliance on wearing mask inside as well as outside while in common areas.

## **5. NEW BUSINESS:**

### **a) Budget Meeting Date- (Salome Crowley)**

- Elizabeth at the office has already indicated some teachers are looking to request PAC funds for their activities or events. Salome suggested that she set the deadline of November 6 for fund applications. This was agreed upon.
- Because the gaming funds will be late in arriving, Salome indicated that we could set the PAC budget meeting dates at the November 4 PAC Meeting. She is hoping to meet during mid-November to discuss each request. The budget then could be presented in the December 2 PAC Meeting for approval. All members agreed with this outline.

### **b) PAC Fundraising – (Marie Worden)**

- Larissa spoke in Marie's absence. Marie was wondering if we should undertake the SPC cards again this year. Discussion was held and it was felt that the cards may not be as appropriate at this time. The PAC usually needs to raise approximately \$225 to cover a few expenses for the year. Currently, our general account has over \$600. There is no emergency to fundraise. Salome suggested getting a CO-OP number to send out to parents. Parents could use the number and proceeds would go to the PAC. She also suggested that Cobbs Bread also has a program similar. She would investigate both of options. These events would be low maintenance from PAC executive members. The group had consensus on this plan.

## **2. Next Meeting will be November 4 at 6:30pm**

**Attendance:** Salome Crowley, Paula Wilson, Larissa Coates, Marianne Chase, Michelle Scoville, Mike Huck, Cindy Fizzard, Peggy Marcoux, Marie Worden, Trudy Spiller

Meeting ended 7:17pm

***Minutes approved on November 4, 2020***