

RBSS PAC MINUTES

March 1, 2023

1. Michelle called the meeting to order at 6:35 pm

2. ***Motion #1: "Adopt the March 1, 2023 Agenda as presented."***

- Approved

3. ***Motion #2: "Minutes from the February 1, 2023 meeting be approved."***

- Caroline/Salome
- Approved

4. **REPORTS:**

- **President:**

- Nothing to report

- **VP:**

- Nothing to report

- **Secretary:**

- Nothing to report

- **Treasurer:** *(Salome reported our financial status as of March 1, 2023)*

- The Gaming account balance: \$18,581.29
- The General account balance: \$396.44

- **Communications:**

- Co-Op is looking for board nominations
- Magic Wand is collecting grad wear for grads to borrow, and looking for donations
 - Will be putting this into Raven's Nest

- **SPEAC:**

- Meeting on February 15
 - Superintendent/associate superintendent report: Fred Hibbs
 - Budget and operational planning for 23/24 well under way
 - All collective agreements successfully completed
 - 219 staff hired since August. 112 are teachers. Over 2000 employees in SD62
 - CUPE: Wanda Falle
 - Having dog dropping issues on playgrounds and fields
 - Please pick up after you pets on SD62 property
 - Need to ask electricians regarding electrical requirements for activities
 - Need to book extra custodians for functions that include food
 - Principal/Vice-Principal: Tanya Phillips
 - Working on a draft policy for reporting on student achievement

- As of Sept. 2023, K-9 are using a proficiency scale, 10-12 use percentages that are translated to letter grades
- Sooke Teachers Association: Emily Melville
 - Overcrowding issues impacting music programs with music rooms being turned into classrooms at some elementary schools
 - Travelling carts are being used to transport instruments to classes
- K-12 Career Education: Jim Lamond discussion on secondary offerings
 - Dual credit programs, TAST, WEX, Youth train in trades
- SD62 Committee reports:
 - Ed Policy meeting
 - District wide audit for Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion
 - Resources meeting
 - This and next year's budget plus minor capital projects
- President's report:
 - Working on BCCPAC resolutions
 - Discussion on how to handle SPEAC filing cabinet at the board office
 - Na'tsa'maht family dinner gatherings – various dates in March and April
- New Business
 - All SPEAC executive positions are open for nomination/election
 - AGM is May 17
- **Principal's Report:**
 - Spring Fling is being planned for grades 9-10
 - Date not yet set
 - Teacher-led committee formed with leadership students to plan
 - Hold and Secure on Feb. 28 after an incident that happened on Dressler
 - Carried out well by students and staff
 - Discussion regarding the school's police liaison being off that day
 - Likely would have gone even smoother if the liaison had been involved
 - Westshore online classes will be held in the secondary schools
 - Planning for space is in the works
 - Looking at starting the French Exchange program with Avignon, France for 23/24 school year
 - Mike travelling to Avignon over spring break to learn more
 - Would be for students in Grade 11
 - Possible choices would be a 5 week exchange in grade 11, but might be able to do a grade 12 exchange for 5 months in future years
 - 2 portables will be at school next year
 - Likely will need more in future years, but that will be assessed next year
 - Space in sports areas will probably be used
 - Extra curricular activities with sports and Academies may use that space before and after school in the future
 - Vaping in the bathrooms and other inside areas is becoming a big problem
 - Students will be suspended for 2 days if they are found to be vaping
 - Outdoor smoking area is available for this activity
 - March 1 - Music department is having concert in auditorium
 - The Pajama Game is being presented in the theater March 8-11
 - Plans under way to re-introduce the "Party Program" on May 18

5. **NEW BUSINESS:**

- Dry Grad Carnival update

- Next meeting on March 2
- PAC Bursary Committee
 - 3 volunteers selected to read and decide on the 4 x \$500 bursaries

6. **NEXT MEETING:** Wednesday, April 5, 2023

Meeting adjourned at 7:34 pm

Attendance: Salome Crowley, Michelle Alexander, Mike Huck, Caroline Aked, Kim Strandlund, Paula Wilson, Nevada Kaludjer, Kari Moslehi