

**Southeast Kootenay School District 5
District Parent Advisory Council
General Meeting Minutes
Wednesday May 15, 2024**

Call to Order: 6:33 pm

'Acknowledgement that we are meeting on the homelands of the Ktunaxa people'

In Attendance:

Executive: Lies- Mt. Baker (Chair), Chris- Isabella Dicken (Treasurer)

Regrets: None

DPAC Reps and Parents: Danielle- Steeples, Sally- Highlands, Rianne- Frank J. Mitchell, Don-Jaffray, Melissa- Pinewood, Halina- Isabella Dicken, Pamela- Amy Woodland, Nancy- Fernie Senior Secondary

Regrets: None

Partner Groups and Guests:, Wendy Turner- Trustee

Regrets: Viveka- Superintendent

Agenda: Approved as amended

- Discussion from Pamela regarding BCCPAC conference
- Fernie Grad Funds
- Vision Zero grant

Minutes: (April 2024) Approved as circulated

Treasurer Report: Approved as circulated

Superintendent Report: Viveka Johnson via email

Highlights include:

- We are in the process of engagement night with our communities:
 - FSS was last night
 - Jaffray tonight (hence not being here)
 - ESS May 21
 - MBSS May 23

-SSS TBD (possible June 4)

*we will be sending out a simple survey to community stakeholders as a follow up

- We hired for TM Robers (David Doll) and KO (Carissa Hart)...now we have two vp positions to fill, we are excited to be building leadership capacity in within our district.
- Strategic planning is ongoing with the board, once we have a draft document it will go out for community consultation (we are also gathering feedback at our engagement nights)
- Shout out to JEISS for rolling with some disruption last week with a community concern. Bill did a fantastic job communicating to the parents and ensuring students and staff felt safe and supported during the disruption.
- Kikomun run happened today as it was postponed from last week.
- We are in budget and hiring season... I've attached a budget summary sheet as it shows the breakdown of the process

Trustee Report: Wendy Turner

Highlights include:

- Motion passed that the Learning Strategies Board Course be authorized.
- Motion passed that English Language Learners Board be approved.
- Motion passed that a letter be sent to the Ministry of Forests and the Premier regarding the Gypsy Moth spray program.
- Letter of Support was written regarding the expansion of the BCIT trades and technical training in BC.
- A new policy was approved regarding AI use in SD5.
- SD 5 is in continuous discussion with the Cranbrook Pickle Ball Club and District Management regarding making 2 courts near Baker for pickle ball and covered.
- The 2024/2025 school calendar has been approved.

Question: Amy Woodland asked if there needs to be cleaning after the Spongy Moth spray?
Wendy will forward question to Management.

BCTF Report: Shelley Balfour

Highlights include: NTR

Individual PAC discussion:

- **Steeple:** Had a successful movie night. Popcorn maker was a hit. Made \$700 combined with concession. Flower baskets are all handed out. Professor Wow presentation was a hit. Staff appreciation to take place on the last day of school.

- **Highlands:** Vice Principal organized a math night with 50 attendees. Each student received a math kit. Canadian Tire donated chalk for every student for sidewalks and prizes as well. Track and field was a success. Book Fair and early dismissal this week.
- **MBSS:** Scholarship selections taking place May 28. Thurs. May 23 is the community engagement night in the gym. Grad assembly is mid May. PAC will help fund an LED scoreboard.
- **ID:** Successful book fair and bake sale. May make a change in the fall to a used book fair and do a class drive for books. They had a bike rodeo and also track meet coming up. Long term PAC members are leaving so they are thinking of a different structure with grade volunteers to share the load of PAC.
- **Jaffray:** May 29 staff appreciation, flower baskets arrived, and lots of field trips coming up. PAC funded Fun Day coming up in June.
- **FJM:** Flower baskets arrived today. Book Fair took place over a period of 4 days a couple of weeks ago. Question about when community engagement night will take place. Answer is tentatively June 6.
- **FSS:** Track and Field under way. Grads are making funds through raffles and a walk a thon. Mean Girls production by theatre group. PAC bought theatre production 2 new microphones.
- **Amy Woodland:** Book fair and early dismissal this week. PAC donated \$100 per classroom for books. They had their first movie night and it was a success as well as the concession. Flower baskets handed out. Looking for ideas for staff appreciation. New PAC exec in June. Many field trips taking place and PAC is helping with bussing costs. PAC funded Fun Day in June.

Business from previous meetings:

- Letter of Support for the replacement of Mt. Baker being distributed
- Report from Pamela Helewell from the BCCPAC 2024 Conference- thank you

New Business:

- Reminder to PAC's not to pay their BCCPAC fees as DPAC pays for them
- Gaming grant application open until end of June
- Call for nominations next month for DPAC executive

Meeting adjourned: 7:43 pm.

Notetaker: MBSS-Lies

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Next meeting: Wednesday June 12, 2024