

**Southeast Kootenay
District Parent Advisory Council
General Meeting Minutes
Wednesday Sept. 15, 2021**

Call to Order: 6:30 pm

'Acknowledgement of the meeting taking place on the lands of the Ktunaxa people'

In Attendance:

Executive: Tara-TM Roberts Elementary (Chair), Karen- TM Roberts Elementary (Treasurer), Lies- Mount Baker Secondary (Secretary), Jenn- Amy Woodland Elementary (Vice-chair)

Regrets: None

DPAC Reps and Parents: Danielle- Steeples Elementary, Erik- Parkland Middle, Natalie- Highlands Elementary, Tanya- Isabella Dicken Elementary, Tathlina- Rocky Mountain Elementary, Ute- Fernie Secondary, Alysha- Jaffray Elementary/Jr.Secondary

Regrets: None

Partner Groups and Guests: Silke Yardley (Team Leader/Superintendent), Wendy Turner- Trustee, Shelley Balfour- BCTA

Regrets: None

Agenda: Amend new business 11.2- AGM

Minutes: (June 16, 2021) Approved as circulated.

Treasurer Report: Approved as circulated.

Superintendent Report: Highlights presented by Silke Yardley.

Highlights Include:

- Enrollment is on par as per pre-COVID. Noticeable changes to last year include field trips being allowed again, sports etc.
- Interior Health holding vaccine clinics at schools.
- Interior Health will be more involved in contacting parents for outbreaks and exposures.
- Framework for Enhanced Learning has been submitted to M of E for review.

Questions:

Isabella Dicken- Is the Indigenous training that SD5 is doing on Oct.1 for parents as well? Superintendent will find out.

Trustee Report: Wendy Turner

Highlights include:

- The Board sent the trades funding letter to the Minister of Education and Minister of Advanced Education.
- The Board approved the FESL and has sent to the Ministry of Education.
- The Board accept and approve the 2020/2021 BDO Canada audited financial statements and approve the appropriations as disclosed in the notes to the financial statements.
- The private vehicle reimbursement for mileage will be reviewed annually on July 1.
- Concerns that with more PACs and schools doing communication online, will families without access to technology be left out?

Questions:

Isabella Dicken- In response to the technology question, the schools already provide paper copies of everything so that would continue any way for these families.

Individual PAC discussion:

- Baker- NTR
- Parkland- NTR
- Fernie- NTR
- Steeples- Hot lunches and various fundraisers on the go. Need a vice-chair.
- Rocky Mountain- No meeting yet. Had 4 parents looking in to playground possibilities over the summer.
- Highlands- Looking for new Chair, Treasurer, and DPAC Rep.
- Isabella Dicken- School has a new PAC chair. School is ready for renovations. Great job on portable set up for the upcoming years.
- TM Roberts- Need a Vice-chair, DPAC Rep, and hot lunch coordinator. Had some great fundraising ideas but were limited due to COVID.

Business from previous meetings:

10.1- TM Roberts concern regarding new development near school. Will connect with new SD5 Secretary Treasurer.

New Business:

11.1- Gaming funds are now allowed to pay for BCCPAC.

11.2- Motion put forward to pay up to \$300 for Zoom license for all PACS in SD5 to use.

(150921.1) MOTION- TM Roberts SECOND- Rocky Mountain CARRIED

Questions:

- TM Roberts has a concerned parent regarding unsupervised children waiting for bus at Mt. Baker for 15 min because they go to an out of catchment school. Please speak with Joe Tank.

- TM Roberts has concerns regarding lack of communication from school to parents. The correct line of communication is speaking to PAC Chair and Principal.
- Highlands has concerns regarding the disconnect felt by parents etc. due to COVID. Does anyone have suggestions? TM shared positive feedback about their Spirit Week.

Correspondence:

- NTR

Next meeting: Wednesday, October 13- 6pm is AGM for ½ hour then regular meeting 6:30pm.

Meeting adjourned: 7:25 pm.

Notetaker: Mount Baker Senior Secondary

Date: Wednesday, September 15, 2021

**Southeast Kootenay District Parent Advisory Council
Monthly Treasurer Report**

September 2021

REGULAR ACCOUNT:

DEPOSIT WITHDRAWAL BALANCE:

Opening Balance Sept 1, 2021 **\$13,111.70**

TOTALS:

Closing Balance Sept 30, 2021 **\$13,111.70**

GAMING ACCOUNT:

DEPOSIT WITHDRAWAL BALANCE:

Opening Balance Sept 1, 2021 **\$35.35**

Monthly Bank Fees \$2.50

TOTALS: **\$0.00 \$2.50**

Closing Balance Sept 30, 2021 **\$32.85**