

**Southeast Kootenay
District Parent Advisory Council
General Meeting Minutes
Wednesday October 12, 2022**

Call to Order: 6:31 pm

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

In Attendance:

Executive: Tara-TM Roberts Elementary (Chair), Lies- Mount Baker (Secretary)

Regrets: Karen- TM

DPAC Reps and Parents: Chris- Isabella Dicken, Danielle- Steeples, Andrea- Jaffray, Sally- Highlands, Anna-Fernie Secondary, Crystal- TM Roberts

Regrets: Melissa- GT

Partner Groups and Guests: Viveka Johnson- Superintendent, Shelley Balfour- CDTA, Trina Ayling- Trustee

Regrets: None

Agenda: Approved as circulated.

Minutes: (Sept. 14) Change regret for Steeples.

Treasurer Report: See attached. Approved as circulated.

- Gaming grant awarded \$2500

Superintendent Report:

Highlights Include:

- 1701's = every school sends info to M of E for per student allocation of funds K-9
- ELL (English Language Learners) 91- up 22%
- RME hiring a new teacher
- The FESL (Framework for Enhanced Learning) report on literacy and numeracy to the Ministry has accepted.
- 'Street Data' is a great book about supporting marginalized students. We are one of 9 districts chosen to participate.
- Calendar change for 2023- Making a 4- day weekend in April by moving the RSA day to the 24th and the ProD day to the 21st.
- Queens day of mourning will not have to made up in the calendar.

Questions: None

Trustee Report: Trina Ayling for Wendy Turner

Highlights include:

- Calendar change for RSA will need a 30 day approval from the Board.
- Wrote a letter supporting SD 68 July 5 for capitol funding.
- Wrote a letter supporting BC School Trustee regarding increase in school life-cycle funding Oct. 29.
- The Board supports FSA withdrawal by parents. They take place Oct. 3- Nov. 11
- The Board sent a strongly worded letter to the M of E and Child Care asking to amend the Are Standard doc to include a space designated for an Indigenous meeting place in new school builds and reno's.

Questions:

- None

BCTF Report: Shelley Balfour

- A lot of posts to fill yet in SD5
- Weekly Summit meetings taking place between teachers, HR, and Superintendent.

Individual PAC discussion:

- Laurie Middle School- looking to fund some new activities like disc golf etc. Also looking at a new outdoor space for kids to hang out. Doing some pizza days and maybe a Bingo night.
- Mt. Baker- NTR
- Isabella Dicken- Outdoor area is complete. Access to ecogarden for outdoor space. Apple fundraiser and Christmas plant fundraiser coming up. New addition to be ready by Spring.
- Steeples- Open house was great. Looking at changes to portable. Purdy's fundraiser. Strong Start up and running.
- FSS- The planned meet the teacher is postponed. Couple of open staffing positions to fill. PAC Chair is now a Trustee.
- TM Roberts- Yoga family night coming up. Postponed open house until April and it will coincide with Book Fair. Looking at better flow for parking and pickups.
- Jaffray- New Principal, Vice-Principal and teachers. Trying to get speed limit on hwy through Jaffray lower than 70km/hr. School funding for food etc. How is the 80 million distributed? The funds will be equitably distributed not equally.

Questions: None

Business from previous meetings: None

Discussion: None

New Business:

- Introduction of new DPAC executive
- Proposed 2023 budget, see attached is approved by executive

Correspondence:

Next meeting: Wednesday November 9, 2022

Meeting adjourned: 7:16 pm.

Notetaker: Mount Baker Senior Secondary

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