

**Southeast Kootenay School District 5
District Parent Advisory Council
General Meeting Minutes
Wednesday Oct. 11, 2023**

Call to Order: 6:32 pm

‘Acknowledgement of the meeting taking place on the lands of the Ktunaxa people’

In Attendance:

Executive: Chris -Isabella Dicken (Treasurer), Melissa- Gordon Terrace (Secretary)

Regrets: Lies- Mt. Baker (Chair)

DPAC Reps and Parents: Sally- Highlands, Danielle- Steeples, Pamela- Amy Woodland, Breanne- RMES, Nancy- Fernie SS, Melissa- Pinewood, Crystal- Parkland, Don- Jaffray

Regrets: Milana- Gordon Terrace

Partner Groups and Guests: Jason Tichauer- Director of Student Learning in for Viveka, Wendy Turner- Trustee

Regrets: Shelley- CDTA, Viveka- Superintendent, Adrienne- FDTA, Viveka

Agenda: Approved as circulated

Minutes: (Sept, 2023) Approved as circulated, missing attachments for Trustee Report and Treasurer Report

Treasurer Report: See attached. Approved as circulated

Superintendent Report: Jason Tichauer

Highlights include:

- Enrollment looks good across the district
- Mass Choir to return for this Christmas Season
- Boundary/Catchment area meetings to take place Oct. 23 and Nov. 7

Trustee Report: Wendy Turner

Highlights include:

- No drop in enrollment this year
- Budget report has been submitted. HR & Union are working together to fill new positions within the district
- SD5 supports parents who do not wish their students to take part in FSA’s

Questions: None

BCTF Report: NTR

Individual PAC discussion:

- **Steeple:** New faces at the meeting! Had a portable removed off of the property. Students are excited about being bused to Highlands for music. Working toward new swings for playground- would like help with that.
- **Highlands:** NTR
- **FSS:** Most well attended PAC meeting so far! Parents would like to engage with teachers more, so decided on a welcome back BBQ.
- **Gordon Terrace:** Working on apparel order. Finalized list of PAC events for the year. Welcome BBQ was successful, next BBQ is Halloween.
- **Amy Woodland:** First meeting of the year had a few new faces. Working on parent engagement and streamlining communication with parents. Mailing out monthly calendars.
- **Isabella Dicken:** Talked about transportation issues. . A child's bike was run over by a school bus- child was ok. School and PAC now planning to do traffic safety with all students.
- **Pinewood-** First PAC meeting went well. Discussing appearance of school with the sea cans on one side. Top of list is the sea cans and also maybe a mural or trees to block them out.
- **Parkland-** Open house and BBQ had a great turnout. Putting a new game in field so students have something else to do outdoors.
- **RMES-** Successful open house- lots of food. Fundraising to do a camping trip. Had parents volunteer time and talents, cotton candy and donut fundraiser.
- **Jaffray –** One meeting so far with good turnout. Jaffray fall fair, PAC had box car movies. Hot lunch starting up so questions regarding food guidelines. One set is gold standard & the other is non-negotiable.

Business from previous meetings: None

Questions: FSA – please read information packet that is arriving from SD5 as well as the one that will come from the Teacher's Federation. Ask questions within the school system if you have further questions.

New Business:

- Nick Taylor- Secretary Treasurer for SD5 will attend next DPAC meeting to address questions from PAC's.

Correspondence:

- None

Next meeting: Wednesday November 15, 2023

Meeting adjourned: 7:38 pm.

Notetaker: Gordon Terrace, Melissa/Isabella Dicken, Chris

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