



MBSS PAC Minutes

Tue 4 Feb 25 7:00 pm

Present: Lori Nicli (Chair), Jen Morrison (Secretary), Lies Salvador (DPAC), Christina Hall (Treasurer), Patricia Whalen (Vice Chair), Chris Johns (Trustee), Dave Hill (Principal), Michelle Warrenchuk

- **Welcome & Introductions** at 7:02pm
- **Approval of Nov 2024 minutes.** Jen made a motion to approve, seconded by Patricia, all in favour.
- **Additions to the agenda** Nil
- **School Board Trustee Report.** Motion carried regarding Amy Woodland catchment amendment as proposed along 11th Ave S effective 1 Feb 2025. Note new Ministry of Infrastructure will introduce additional step in MBSS replacement. Still awaiting decision regarding Amy Woodland by provincial government. Working on budget, anticipating delays in receiving information from the Ministry. Guide to parents on how they may request placement for their students in schools other than the assigned school.
- **Principal's Report.** Email from parent worried about student anxiety regarding washroom use – vaping and loitering in groups is an issue. Spot checks are done, vaping equipment confiscated. Some bathrooms are poorly designed for mix gender use, looking at possible improvements. Note Elkford Secondary has non-gendered bathrooms, Parkland may have vaping sensors/alarm. Dave to engage Joe Tank. Two new staff. Report cards to be published this Friday. Graduation status updates also to be published at the same time. Basketball wrapping up. Local scholarship applications open 18 Feb. Student learning surveys now including Gr 11s (previously only 10s and 12s). End April/May Pan International Student Assessment selects 42 Gr 10s to sit exam, info package to be sent home to parents. 6 students accepted for BC Wildfire Services training program, Dave looking at possible credit. Dave to present Wildfire program update to Board on Committee Day. Dave looking at proposing new electives to Board.
- **DPAC Report.** New chair (Lisa Rodgers), Lies staying on as Vice Chair and Secretary but finished in October. Considering bringing Gary Tenaka back (child and teenage brain development expert and speaker) to present to district parent group, likely April timeframe. Catchment area discussion. Request from a parent to send out a survey regarding enrichment, PACs received. Next meeting 12 Feb. DPAC funds available for prom committees if requested.
- **Treasurer's Report: Gaming funds status.** Opening balance of \$24467.24. Less \$6623.20 in expenses (hockey club \$1974.22, crochet club \$648.98 and library \$4000). Also less \$1627.17 for leadership ipads, leaving closing balance of \$16216.87. Pending: up to \$200 for library speaker, up to \$800 for yoga club (note can use \$770 from rotary) and up to \$1000 for climbing club.

Amount left to allocate as of end January \$14216.87. Jen made a motion to approve up to \$4500 for prom, second by Lies, all in favour, motion passed.

- **Prom Update.** Theme is Lanterns and Lyrics. Student prom committee meeting Thursday. Venues are St Eugene and Curling Rink. 12 on executive committee. Mr Mikes have offered a food truck for a BBQ fundraiser event.
- **Old Business**
 - a. **Status of scoreboard purchase** (follow up on grant possibilities). No update.
- **New Business**
 - a. **Funding requests.** No new requests received.
- **Adjournment at 8:06 pm**
- **Next Meeting:** Tue 1 Apr 25 @ 7:00pm