

Colquitz Middle School – PAC Meeting Minutes February 15, 2022

Meeting called to order at 6:30 pm

Attendance: Christine SurrIDGE, Kindree Draper, Lisa Gelling, Chantelle, Serena, Topher Mackintosh (principal), Jeni Scott (vice principal)

Introductions

Motion to approve November minutes by Lisa, seconded by Kindree, passed.

Financial Report:

- Gaming account balance is \$12,988.61.
- Operating account balance is \$4,390.79. Pending deposit of fundraising cheque for \$113 from Wild and Free Organics as well as Parent Education grant of \$250.

VCPAC Report:

- School Police Liaison survey has been completed. 3800 responses (SD61 staff, students, caregivers). Results are posted here <https://www.sd61.bc.ca/board-of-education/meetings-of-the-board/>. Scroll to the agenda under the Education Policy and Directions Committee Jan 10, 2022. See pg. 45 for memo and survey results.
- VCPAC would like to hear where each PAC stands on the program (keep, some changes, a lot of changes, scrap program...).
- Those present at the meeting tonight feel overall the program is good, perhaps work on diversifying the liaison officers.

Announcements:

PAC Facebook page Standards & Guidelines

- Proposed guidelines were made available to view and vote via the Colquitz PAC Facebook page. Yes votes took the majority.
- Motion to approve the proposed guidelines by Serena, seconded by Chantelle, passed.

Spring Funding requests

- Funds for grade 8 day were part of our budget discussion in the fall. We allocated \$10/ student which comes to \$1,700 this year.
- With the goal of leaving small contingency amounts in our bank accounts, further spring funding requests cannot be supported at this time.

Parent Education Ideas

- Ivan Coyote – diversity/inclusion speaker
- Harm Reduction
- Whatever we decide, would like to wait until we can be in person and combine with another school or schools.

Constitution and Bylaws

- A copy of our current constitution and bylaws is attached to these minutes. Look over and send ideas for potential changes to Kindree for discussion at a future meeting.
- Some suggestions include adding the social media position to executive and leaving the VCPAC rep off to maintain the numbers

Administration Report:

- Things have been good since students are back from winter break.
- Volleyball has started, competitive teams as well as recreational.
- Theater production is booming. Two casts of 42 students each.
- Transfer application process has taken place. 5 families are out of catchment. No room for those students at this time.
- All classrooms are in use. Over the next 6/7 years projected to grow to over 600 students (currently 520)
- 23rd and 24th grade 8's will learn about Spectrum and do course selection.
- Dylan Thomas is carving a panel for the school. It is still a work in progress.
- LGBTQ2+ group restarting (50-60 students initially, now over 40, need to be split into two smaller groups) meeting Wednesdays at lunch time.
- Planning to have the crosswalk in front of the school painted in rainbow colours.

Motion to adjourn by Lisa, seconded by Christine, passed. Meeting Adjourned at 7:11pm.

Next Meeting will be April 19th at 6:30pm in the library.