

Colquitz Middle School – PAC Meeting

Minutes

Tuesday, September 20, 2022 @ 6:30pm

Meeting called to order at 6:34 pm

Attendees: Kindree Draper, Serena Samra, Nicole Nyvall, Lauren, Nerine, Katherine, Carli, Karen, Malia

1. Welcome and Introductions

2. Principles of Colquitz PAC meetings and guidelines for FaceBook page

- Goal is to ensure meetings are held in a manner that ensures people feel included, heard and respected
- Two social media pages available to join: Colquitz PAC and Colquitz Community – guidelines for Colquitz PAC posted on the school's PAC page - <https://colquitz.sd61.bc.ca/parent-info/colquitz-pac/>

3. Review and approve June minutes and attached Treasurer's Report

- Motion to approve minutes by Karen; seconded by Carly

4. Financial Update for September

- Gaming account balance is \$6,403.60
- General account balance is \$3,249.97
- Gaming funds expected for 2022-23 school year to go into the account in October

5. Principal/Administration Report

- Smooth start up so far; returning to regular programming (endemic)
- Right into the groove with staff and students; strong staff complement
- 528 students in the building will likely increase to 530, 23 divisions and five exploratories; configurations are similar to last year
- 0.2 added to Div 6, allowing for Sarah (new vice principal) to be teaching once a week; lift learning support teacher's time to $\frac{3}{4}$ time
- Artist Dylan Thomas has received cedar and carving has started with event details to be shared when available; PAC holding \$1,000 to support piece for front lobby when completed
- Damage to the school over the previous weekend: classroom window broken and a dumpster was lit on fire; glass debris found behind the dumpster and cleaned up by the custodian; window has been boarded up and waiting for replacement (parent reported on CMS PAC FB page)
- Pro D day will be focused on the new proficiency scale (emerging; developing; proficient; extending) and adopting this is as a pilot project for CMS; information will be distributed to the parent community ahead of report cards
- Emergency kiosks will be opened and reviewed; determine gaps and what needs to be replenished based on ministry list; Gaming funds cannot be used towards this
- Use of change rooms will be reviewed with staff at a future meeting

6. Items for Discussion:

6.1 Multi-School Parent Education Night	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Oct 19 @ Spectrum 7pm-8:30pm - Theme: Harm Reduction• Open house concept held in the cafeteria and available to students and parents with demonstrations and information tables• CMS contributing parent education funding to support
6.2 Donation to Tour de Roc	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Reminder of CMS PAC donation of \$100
6.3 Open House	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Sep 22 from 5pm-7pm• Come through the building to do a tour

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pizza will be ordered and sold • Corn donated by Silver Rill – volunteers needed for boiling and serving corn • This is not “meet the teacher” event which takes place the last week of October
6.4 Trustee Elections	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Oct 15 • List of declared candidates (nominees): https://www.sd61.bc.ca/board-of-education/trustee-elections/declared-candidates-2022-trustee-elections/

7. Victoria PAC Report

- A questionnaire being prepared and circulated for the trustee candidates to answer - details will be shared on the CMS PAC FaceBook page when available
- Tracey Humphries is the new chair
- Food guidelines being proposed by Ministry of Health are voluntary. If a School District adopts the proposal, there is no obligation for a school to adhere to the guidelines which were causing concerns around food-based fundraising activities

8. Opens

8.1 Update: School Fight	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Fight on school grounds between two CMS students • An organized altercation compelled by a non-CMS older student who threatened to beat them up if they didn't carry this out • School liaison officer will be coming in to have a discussion with the grade 6 classes - connected to the curriculum through the data exploratory and a positive experience with Saanich PD • Discussion to see if constable can come in to have discussion with other grades
8.2 Woodwork Exploratory	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Unavailable for grade 8s who have not had the opportunity to have shop while at CMS • Discussion took place to relay importance of the exploratory for all grades, especially those who have not had the opportunity to participate
8.3 Question: Enrichment returning to pre-COVID program	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pre-COVID provided students with different activities and experiences – will this be available this year? • Discussion will be taking place with team leads. Hope is to have more offerings (clubs, etc) for students which will provide more experiences and opportunities
8.4 Gaga Pit field area	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Field area was to be redone as agreed to with the district • Have not received updates • Parent group will raise this with the district contact
8.5 Access points	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Access points off the Galloping Goose are not very good and require updates. • Parent group to raise with the district
8.6 Bus Renos	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bus renos are complete; however pending the chain link fence being moved as agreed upon

9. Next PAC Meeting

- October 18, 2022 @ 6:30pm

Motion to adjourn by Serena, seconded by Carly, passed. Meeting Adjourned at 7:42pm.