



MINUTES

ATTENDEES

Randi Falls (Principal), Kimberley Rogers (Co-Chair), Christine McLaughlin (Treasurer), Deidre Murphy (Secretary), Gabriela Hirt (Member at Large), Karen Hanneson (Member at Large), Kathryn Robertson (Member at Large), Nancy Mabey, Kelly McLaren, Hazel Currie, Stephanie Novak, Kelli Mulley, Mark Redchurch, Mark Loria

WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Approved

APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM MEETINGS OF JUNE 11<sup>TH</sup> AND SEPTEMBER 24<sup>TH</sup>

Minutes approved.

MOTION TO CHANGE APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES

Motion to change process for approving PAC meeting minutes (whereby draft minutes would be sent via email to the PAC Executive and individuals that attended the meeting for approval) seconded and carried.

Motion for draft PAC meeting minutes to be reviewed and any amendments sent to PAC Secretary within three days made, seconded, and carried (MSC).

REPORT FROM THE CHAIR

- Chair absent – no report

REPORT FROM THE VICE-CHAIR

- Preliminary results of the PAC survey to determine parent/guardian priorities for the year were reviewed; full results will be presented at the November PAC meeting.

REPORT FROM THE TREASURER

- **Pac Parent Fund** - \$6750 has been contributed by parents for the Pac Parent Fund. A cheque will be issued to be deposited into the **General Account** for disbursement by the PAC.
- **Gaming Account** – To date we have not received notice of funding for our application. We expect news by the next meeting.
- **General Account** – A cheque to Elizabeth Brennen for Dry Grad expenses in the amount of \$67.81 was cashed.

- **Dry Grad** – A total of \$236. 87 will be paid for expenses. Cheques for Leslie Mill and Elizabeth Brennen have been issued and cashed. An outstanding cheque for Valarie Carson will be issued before the next meeting. A detailed report of expenses is available on request.
- **Halloween Dance** – Proposed fund refreshments for students. Expense last year was approximately \$100. Agreed.
- **Teacher Appreciation Luncheon** – Treasurer proposed catering for the luncheon by sponsors of Dry Grad (instead of parents contributing food and refreshments) as parents are busy. Proposed a sub-committee to follow-up with organizing event. Discussion ensued as members would like to participate by bringing food. Vice-Chair suggested Sign-up Genie for parents to participate. Volunteers required to organize event. A call for volunteers to help with the luncheon (set up Sign-up Genie, assist with set-up and clean-up) will go out in the next school newsletter.

#### REPORT FROM THE SECRETARY

- No report

#### VCPAC REPORT (position vacant)

- Mark Loria volunteered to take up the Victoria Confederation of Parent Advisory Councils (VCPAC) representative position for Oak Bay High School.

#### PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

- We had an outstanding event when the Tour de Roc riders arrived on Oct 4 - fundraising was amazing with \$90,100 raised.
- The mentor groups had a pizza prize lunch following an activity in September and will be having a movie night Oct 24.
- We continue to work on implementing the new curriculum at the Grade 10 level. Of particular note is the change in the Planning 10 and Grad transitions program. Planning 10 has become Career Life Education 10. More outcomes have been developed for a grade 12 level course termed Career Life Connections. A "capstone event" - similar to, but more involved than the GT, is required before graduation. We are stretching these outcomes over 3 years by offering the Grade 10 students 2 credits for CLE 10A (these outcomes will be met through assemblies, presentations and Focus block/Team planning activities). As grade 11 students, these students get the remaining 2 credits of CLE 10 and earn 2 credits of CLC 12 in classroom setting. As grade 12 students they will earn 2 credits when they present their capstone. We believe this will relieve some pressure on the grade 12 students, allow the grade 10 students to earn credits while planning their grade 11 and 12 years, learning about Work Experience, post secondary and career opportunities, while still in the beginning phase of the grad program. We are presently planning on having all our grade 9 and 10 students using a e portfolio program termed My Blueprint.
- Digital distractions will be here Wednesday and Thursday - this is an example of a CLE 10A outcome.
- PAC donations are at \$6750.00. Please let Karen Adams know when a cheque should be created.
- Re the motion brought forward from last month. The goal of Inclusion and connectedness continues to be supported presently with Advisory and other programs such as mentors and opportunities for students throughout the school (such as clubs, intramural, etc). The goal of drug awareness is supported by our counselors being readily available, supports provided following discipline as well as presentations such as those being addressed and explored in the PE 9 and 10 program and somewhat in Planning 10, as well as the Snapshots provided by the District. Our counseling team is meeting regularly to discuss the information that is provided by

the District to plan on any in-service for teachers/students. As for a change to drug policy - our policy and that of the Board is that students are not to be under the influence of any intoxicant on or around school grounds. Possession of an intoxicant is also not allowed. Serious incidents involving intoxicants may lead to district intervention - and if the child is placed in another school, counseling and support from the district is provided. Families may advocate to return to the home school and that request is reviewed by the District. At this time Melanie Paas and Linda Tate are working with a large group of students from various groups that were active last year (Head strong, Connect to Care and Peer Counselors). They are meeting every other Wednesday and are planning several events - in the short term (ie Feb or early March) – full-school assembly on health and wellness leading to focus time assemblies/small group break out on topics of particular interest. This is intended to inform work towards Oak Bay hosting a major health/wellness event Oct 2019 (Grants are presently being explored). This work, plus interest in the survey results back from parents, lead me to conclude that at this time, the round table suggestion will be held until further date.

**Upcoming dates:**

- Grad photos 22-26
- Band concert - 23rd
- TOKW Nov 14

**SPEAKERS FOR THE UPCOMING YEAR**

Potential speakers to attend the first 30 minutes of PAC meetings to address topics of interest for parents were discussed, including:

- A school counsellor (e.g. Allan York) to address school resources around the topic of health and wellness and the role of counsellors at the school in general (November)
- The new Oak Bay Police School Liaison Officer (December)
- Curriculum changes (new BC curriculum) (January)

**AOB**

- A suggestion was put forward by parents to provide information for parents at the start of the school year, including important dates, acronyms, the REMIND app, etc. Parents to liaise with Randi re potential questions/answers for the information pack.

**NEXT MEETING:** Monday November 26 2018, 7:00 pm

**ADJOURNMENT**