

**Mount Sentinel Secondary PAC
Regular Meeting Minutes
Monday June 1, 2009
Held at Damn Inn Pub**

Attendance: Katia Dolan, Susan Wilson, Kathie Varney, Jan Brown, Wendy Niminiken, Nat Barabonoff, Stacy Kabatoff, Glen Campbell (Vice-Principal), Barb Lindsay (Trustee)

Regrets: Sally Mackenzie

1. Welcome/Call to order/Additions to agenda

- Katia Dolan welcomed those present at 6:30 pm.

2. Approval of Minutes

- Approval of minutes from May 4 by consensus

3. Principal's Report

- Glen gave the Principal's Report on behalf of Andy Leathwood.
- School Planning Day was a great success. Thanks to parents for helping out. Staff interviewed students and building relationships with staff/peers was found to be most important. Data shared at the School Planning Day reinforced what teachers are doing really works, and has a positive effect on student learning. Staff is using descriptive feedback to improve students' learning and the school has adopted an inclusive model for students with special needs. Tuesday June 16 staff will meet to finalize the plan.
- There will be a 1.7 staff reduction for September.
- Participation in the 100 Year Anniversary of the Nelson Courtroom celebration was much appreciated.
- Dates to note: June 17, last day of regular classes; June 18 make up day; June 24 Silverwood; June 25 Report cards ready for pick up.

4. Treasurer's Report

- Gaming - \$7297.42/ Regular - \$3091.46

5. Secretary

- Correspondence:
 - Various fund raising literature

6. DPAC

- The Transportation Review Committee will be holding public consultation meetings in the coming week.
- The school calendar will see another two week Spring Break, adding minutes to the school day to make up the five day closure. Our Spring Break will align with both Kootenay-Columbia and Cranbrook's school calendars.
- Next DPAC meeting June 18 at 5:00 pm at the Nelson Board Office. This will be our Parent Celebration supper, honouring parent volunteers in our district.

7. Trustee – Barb Lindsay

- The district will be making its final debt repayment this year, and has formed a Finance Committee to meet regularly to monitor the budget
- There was a Celebration of Learning held at the Prestige Inn to share with the community what the schools are doing for literacy.
- Barb will be attending the Portfolio Presentation of Grade 12 students, which highlights the past three years of a Grade 12 student's work and interests.
- The Whole School is looking at WE Graham to house their program.
- Barb's first year as Trustee was a great experience.

NOTE: Parents expressed how nice it is to see their local trustee at PAC meetings.

8. School Planning Council (SPC)

- See Principal's Report

9. Gaming Funding Update

- Katia shared with the group the Gaming Funding spreadsheet to date.
- This year's Beyond the Classroom event was canceled so the \$2000 awarded will be held until September pending a new application or will be reabsorbed into the Gaming Account for distribution next school year.
- Maureen Verigin and Joe Moriera asked for extensions beyond June 30 for their Gaming funds allotment.
- Susan, Wendy and Katia will file the gaming report before the June 30 deadline.

10. Grad Bursary Committee (update)

- The committee met and awarded Nikki Bell and Marlee Kanigan \$500 each.

11. Teacher Appreciation

- PAC will prepare a finger food lunch for staff on Monday June 22.

MOTION: PAC support the Staff Appreciation lunch up to \$300.

Jan/Kathie – carried

Meeting Adjourned 8:00 pm

The next Mt. Sentinel PAC meeting will be Monday September 14, 6:30 pm at the school.