

MOUNT SENTINEL PAC

MEETING MINUTES **Monday September 9, 2013**

ATTENDANCE:

Linda Verishine	Susan Wilson	Glen Campbell (Principal)	Kathleen Brown
Nat Barabanoff	Ester Zdebiak	Sheri Walsh	Lori Sookorukoff
Carrie Reilly	Darlene Falle	Marlo Popoff	Allison Burns
Jason Taylor	Maria Klement	Lona Stewart	Stacey Kabatoff

1. WELCOME CALL TO ORDER/ADDITIONS TO AGENDA

- Susan welcomed those present
- Introductions of everyone
- Meeting called to order @ 6:35 pm

2. ACCEPTANCE OF PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES

- Tabled until October's meeting

3. PRINCIPAL & VICE PRINCIPAL REPORTS

- Enrollment is around 330 students broken down as follows:
 - Intermediate (7/8) – 88 students
 - Grade 9 – 59 students
 - Grade 10 – 66 students
 - Grades 11/12 – 118 students
- Staffing update: we have a new secretary – Laureen Livingston. Laura Lundy is out on medical leave so Debra Soke will be her temp. Janis Chernenkoff (Sequoia) of on leave until January, and Travis Sherstobitoff is filling in. Tekki Brown-Hryniw is our Learning Support Teacher. Shannon Murphy is our Art teacher. Fynn Paige returns as our Music Teacher. Greg Mumby returns for math and sciences. Danny Leeming will replace Tamara Maloff (who is now the Vice Principal at Trafalgar) as the Tech-Library coordinator. Russian and Drama will be offered in Semester 2 and those positions have yet to have a teacher hired.
- Congratulations to Heather Shippit on the birth of her baby girl, Tilley, in July. Mom and Babe are doing well.
- First semester will have a 9-12 Leadership Program run by Kris Hryniw. If you know of any volunteer opportunities students could participate in please contact Kris – 250-359-7219.
- Summit Academy is still going ahead, despite Sacha Kalabis accepting a Vice Principalship at Salmo Secondary. Kris is preparing for this second semester program and applications are still being accepted.
- This year's timetable will see Monday-Thursday having the same block schedule with Fridays being the rotating blocks. The daily schedule now has a 45 minute tutorial block in the afternoon with a 35 minute nutritional break in the morning. School will let out five minutes earlier – at 3:05 pm – to accommodate after class conversations with students and teachers. School calendar with block rotations and bell times is posted on the school's new website: <http://mtsentinel.sd8.bc.ca/>. New website follows a school district format and is more user friendly allowing staff to post announcements as they come in, rather than waiting for the designated staff member to take time to update the site.

- Sports Day was a great success.
- CUPE negotiations with the province have broken down again. There is a potential for a CUPE strike in the next week.
- Mt. Sentinel would like to organize a food program which will see meals provided every school day. Because Tekki's schedule is fuller than last year, parent volunteers are being asked to help. Discussed this being a great opportunity for the Leadership Program and other students who require volunteer opportunities. There may some money from LINKS funding. Discussed PAC helping raise funds for this program and using some of the gaming grant towards this.
- Grad 2014 will be on June 20 and 21.

4. TRUSTEE REPORT

- There has been no news about the potential CUPE strike. Teacher won't cross picket lines so schools will be closed should a strike be called.
- Bus pass registration forms for students riding a school bus must be submitted ASAP to the transportation department and not the school. Passes are expected to handed out to students on Monday October 7.
- Important to support the Kootenay Lake DPAC – they are your voice at the district level. Please attend the next meeting and consider being on the executive.

5. TREASURER'S REPORT

- Gaming Account: \$100.44
The hardship cheque from gaming came to \$648.93
- Regular Account: \$408.97

6. SECRETARY REPORT

- No report

7. DPAC REPORT

- Next meeting is September 26 starting at 6:00 pm at the school board office, 570 Johnstone Rd (across the orange bridge) in Nelson. The meeting will be using Skype or another online meeting opportunity so parents from across the district can join us.

8. SCHOOL PLANNING COUNCIL

- School growth plan is good.
- Suggested holding meetings just prior to the PAC meeting
- Next meeting TBD.

9. GAMING FUNDING UPDATE

- There is \$648.93 for hardship, leaving \$100.44 in the account to start this school year.
- No word on our gaming grant amount yet.

10. PAC MEETING SCHEDULE

- Discussed staying with the first Monday of each month (except where noted) starting at 6:30 pm.
- Schedule was accepted by consensus. It will be posted on our website.

11. NOMINATIONS OPEN FOR PAC EXECUTIVE POSITIONS

- Susan shared a one-page sheet with the executive positions and a brief description of their duties. For more information about PAC Executive Position please visit our website and click on the Constitution and Bylaws tab: <http://mtsentspac.weebly.com/>

12. POINSETTIA SALE

- Discussed how to sell more plants. Perhaps start earlier this year, as other local groups start in late October and early November.
- Susan will ask Danielle if she will help again this year.

13. FUNDRAISING

- Discussed holding the Mom's Pantry fund raiser again this year to support on-going PAC initiatives such as the survey draw prizes and staff appreciation.
- Susan will contact Mom's Pantry to get the forms.
- Discussed holding a Purdy's fundraiser, in conjunction with Brent Kennedy PAC, to support the meal program at Mt. Sentinel School.
- Ester will coordinate the Purdy's fund raiser.

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 7:51 pm

NEXT PAC MEETING:

Monday October 7, 2013 - THIS IS THE AGM MEETING!!

AGM 6:30 – 7:00 pm

Regular meeting 7:00 – 8:30 pm