

MOUNT SENTINEL PAC

Meeting Minutes

Monday February 4, 2013

ATTENDANCE

Linda Verishine	Susan Wilson	Ester Zdebiak	Sheri Walsh
Glen Campbell	Stacey Kabatoff	Kathleen Brown	Anna Kinakin
Shelley Maloff	Kathie Varney	Tamara Malloff	Louise Poole
Nat Barabanoff	Darelene Falle		

1. WELCOME CALL TO ORDER/ADDITIONS TO AGENDA

- Susan Wilson welcomed those present
- Introductions of everyone
- Meeting called to order @ 6:45 pm

2. Acceptance of Previous Meeting Minutes

- Meeting minutes of Jan 7, 2013 accepted by consensus with corrections

3. Principal & Vice Principal Reports

- Mike Malakoff – officially retired Feb 1, 2013. Congratulations to Mike & THANK YOU for all your time and energy!
- Debra Soke – Office Secretary; it's official that she will remain at the school till end of June
- Fynn Page – Music Temp. Teacher- doing an excellent job and he will be staying till June to help out until Rick Lingard returns. Fynn is spending a lot of time with students and we are very appreciative for this and the students are enjoying him
- Lauren Everall – Secretary in office will remain until Spring Break
- Ken Wiens – has returned from sick leave
- Danny Meeming – Law 12 teacher has left the school for other work and will be missed. He helped out alot in areas where he was needed.
- Kathy Knapick – her group has left of Oaxaca on a mission. Best of luck to you all!
- Semester #2 – quiet start to the day and students knew what was planned which made the day go very smoothly
- Report Cards – will be sent out Feb 9
- F.S.A. Tests for Grade 7s – these tests are back and they are not optional and will be written Feb 22
- Thomas Haney School trip - attended by Glen, Sacha & Joe with major attention to THS's progressive style/methods of teaching.
 - o Trip was done to see what MSS can use and apply
 - o Methods are based on students arriving at school, receiving assignments in the am, attend a mandatory lecture, then using the remaining part of the day to “flex their time.” Students use this time to elarn their skills at their own pace with staff floating and offering more personal instruction
 - o Teacher Advisors – home room style teacher styled for multiage class homeroom. Idea is to have the advisor follow one class from Grade 7 through to Grade 12. This is designed so that this teacher can be a “mentor/counsellor to the students. Focus here is to have students become more comfortable and be able to communicate more effectively which in turn provides better support for students.

4. Treasurer’s Report

- PAC Account as of Jan 31, 2013: \$ 1741.55
- Gaming Account as of Jan 31, 2013: \$8973.77

Allocated monies and spread sheet will be updated as it is not complete yet. Completion of the spreadsheet is expected the week of Feb 12

5. Secretary's Report

- PAC GMAIL account is now active. Bounced emails will be reported to Debra Soke for confirmation of correct email/removal from master list if requested

6. DPAC Report

- Next meeting to be held Thursday Feb 28 - 5 pm start, supper will be provided with special guest & presenter Todd Kettner – child psychologist of SD8 who will touch on anxiety in young people, students services that can be accessed along with a website. Todd's presentation comes highly recommended.
- DPAC Secretary position – still open and seeking someone to fill this gap!
- Presentation – Positive Image/Positive Body – Healthy Attitude & Healthy Schools. The details will be announced soon

7. Trustee Report

- Budget talks are progressing
- Presentation with Shop Teachers was done
- Catchment Boundary Committee – out of catchment bussing will continue and is now confirmed in writing
 - o Community Consultation will be done in Feb on bus catchment areas at MSSS around 6:30 – 7 pm Feb 28 (tentative date)
 - o Larry Brown has developed a great presentation to make the boundaries more easily seen and understood
 - o Great opportunity for parents to voice their concerns & suggestions
 - o this will also serve for district boundary discussions which overlap as well
 - o This Meeting will Step 1 and is a feedback meeting only and the start of a careful decision process to resolve bussing issues.

8. Gaming Funding Update

- Update to be done shortly as Nat is waiting for statement and a final receipt to come in
- a new committee is needed to review the monies & applications
- Reminder to be sent to all staff to spend their money and hand in receipts

9. PAC Newsletter

- Deadline for information is Friday Feb. 9
- Parents' Night Out to be promoted
- Catchment meeting date
- Facebook presentation - what are the ins/outs/dangers of this site
- Thursday Feb 8 – stuffing envelopes & report cards at 12 noon

10. PAC Survey

- Do we need another survey done? Do we need new questions about multi-age/intermediate classes?
- questions about the time table changes, report card changes, teacher changes?
- PAC Website: Allison Burns agreed to help out with our PAC website...thank you Allison

Presentation by Tamara Malloff - CAP YOUTH PROGRAM

- Literay Week – CBALL (Columbia Basin Alliance for Literacy starts to promote reading & comprehension
- WILD BOOKS – Grab a book to read and drop off anywhere there are boxes available
- Digital Books – looking at building a library on this
- Districts 8, 10 & 20 – reading clusters of books and interacting with all 3 districts & schools

- enormous success & feedback on this program
- Peer Tech Tutor Program – typically funded by Industry Canada,
- after school hours 3:30 – 4:30 is accessible to parents
- Program has lost funding but 2 students are working hard to help out with the program
- March 7, 6:30 – 8:30 – Tech Program & CBALL will facilitate a Facebook workshop & a Photoshop CS6 workshop
- Student E Portfolio – these are now complete and is a grand success
- Portfolio Blog Platform to be hosted across the district for students to share their portfolios with others across the country

BREAKFAST PROGRAM - Louise Poole

- 1) Ankors – sexual health topics, offering clinics but must be invited to MSSS to share this
- 2) Public Health Nurse – will be coming to school on a more regular basis till June
- 3) Parent Night Out - Resilient Kids Presentation
 - School Meal Program – Breakfast Program
 - muffins sold at break time
 - Hot Lunch program going good
 - Students are involved in food prep and looking for parental help in the am
 - vulnerable students are being looked after
 - Parent Help is good so far

SHELLIE MALOFF - Nursing program & topics @ school

- healthy relationships is a focus
- Selkirk students to do a survey of topics at the school starting Feb 21, Mar 4, Mar 28
- Intermediate students will have opportunity to interact with these people

Meeting Adjourned at 8:45 pm

NEXT PAC MEETING: Monday March 4, 2013

ALL PARENTS ARE WELCOME TO ATTEND THE MEETING!