

# **MOUNT SENTINEL PAC**

## Meeting Minutes

Monday January 13, 2014

### **ATTENDANCE**

Maria Klement  
Darlene Falle  
Lana Stewart

Linda Verishine  
Sheri Walsh  
Jason Taylor

Carrie Reilly  
Glen Campbell

Ester Zdebiak  
Randy Stewart

### **1. WELCOME CALL TO ORDER/ADDITIONS TO AGENDA**

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

### **2. Additions to the Agenda**

- a. No additions to the meeting

### **3. Review/Approval of Minutes**

- Meeting minutes of Monday Nov. 4 & Dec. 2, 2013 – accepted

### **4. Reports – Principal & Vice Principal Reports**

- o **Thank you to all Parents, Students and Community**
  - In light of the recent tragic car crash claiming the lives to 2 recently graduated students, the support and care has been tremendous. A big thank from the school out to everyone for the support.
- o **Exam Week**
  - Last week of January for the 1<sup>st</sup> semester
  - Feb. 3 – start of the 2<sup>nd</sup> Semester
  - Regular classes and attendance is expected till end of Thursday at school
  - Provincial exams schedules will be posted this week
  - Friday January 31 is SKI DAY to Red Mountain
- o **Staffing Update**
  - Drama teacher posting is out (Ms. Shippit will return in September 2014)
  - Russian 7-8 language class is a go with a strong hope to have a community teacher to support this class
- o **Learning Commons Room (the Library)**
  - New name for the library and is now totally redesigned to accommodate some new aspects
  - Connected via online with Nelson District Library and with future plans to possibly connect with Selkirk College and other sources online
  - Students are enjoying the new layout and technology equipment for their work and leisure
- o **Revelstoke Ski Trip**
  - Taking place: Thursday February 6 & Friday February 7
  - Cost per student: \$200 – includes travel, room and possibly meals
  - 54 students already signed up with room for more to attend
- o **T.A.G – Teacher Advisory Group**
  - purpose to “connect” students with an adult (mentor)
  - start plan for this group is 2<sup>nd</sup> Semester
  - Details are still being worked on

### **School Planning Council Report**

- Review of Growth Plan
  - improving district and school expectations
  - teachers broke into 4 groups with specific focus and objectives: Resiliency, Creativity, Citizenship, Academics
  - Benefits and challenges of multi-age learning was discussed

#### **Reports – Trustee Report**

- Internet Election – 2 new people
  - District School Board is committed to a new committee structure
  - To ask for funding a form is available at the school board on an annual basis. The form is called Project Description Form and once filled out, a presentation can be made when the School Board has its yearly budget meetings. This is a good opportunity to apply for funding for student/school benefits. Applications are due by usually by 2<sup>nd</sup> week of January. Form can be printed off on the SD8 school website – under the news/highlights/budget 14/15

#### **Reports – Treasurer**

- PAC Account: \$1,008.70 as of December 31, 2013
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- Gaming Account: \$3,973.87 as of December 31, 2013
  - all monies are allocated with 3 outstanding items still be cleared
- Mom's Pantry - \$50.52 profit, Purdy's Order - \$465.73, Poinsettia Sale - \$479.63
  - very poor order for Mom's Pantry.

#### **Reports – Secretary**

- Mom's Pantry order cheque
- Grad Fund raising brochure – Matchomatics/Tattoos (does not seem appropriate for schools)

#### **Reports – DPAC**

- Still require a representative

### **5. New Business**

#### **Parent Night Presentation**

- end of February a Parent night presentation is planned
- Presentation is: Eating Disorders Parent Night Out

#### **WildCat TV (with Danny Leeming)**

- student lead project which will be a live stream broadcast over Channel 3
- You will be able to tune into Channel 3 and a link to the internet will be available to watch
- A \$10,000 grant was received and equipment was purchased to get this studio off the ground
- long term potential to be set up as a “credit” course
- great opportunity to collaborate and connect via “SHARED” broadcasting with valley schools and other local schools
- Seeking blackout curtains, 8' x 10' in size. If you have any other donations to help give this tremendous opportunity a great kick start, please contact Danny Leeming at the school office for more information
- This project opens a huge door for students wishing to enter the world of visual arts, journalism, drama, news casting, production, music and much more.

#### **PAC Survey**

- provides data to understand and communicate school information with parents.
- Do we still want to continue with the survey? In past, the response was not remarkable
- Discussion held that we need to explain what the PAC does so parents can understand this group better and encourage more parent participation

**Fund raising Report & Breakfast For Learning**

- Mom's Pantry: \$50.52 - a very poor turnout and requires some further discussion
- Purdy's Chocolates Orders: \$465.73
- Poinsettia Sales: \$479.63
- Breakfast For Learning: Shopping at the Wholesale Club in Nelson is difficult due to credit cards are not accepted at the store. Request made to have a "petty cash" box or float for the program. This money will be returned when the funds come back. Currently the shopping is done on a weekly basis.

MOTION: to establish a slush fund to aid in the purchase of groceries for the Breakfast for Learning

1<sup>st</sup> motion by Carrie Reilly

2<sup>nd</sup> motion by Lona Stewart

All in Favour: all hands raised and accepted the motions

**PAC Newsletter**

- this newsletter will be emailed to parents once it is complete

**Meeting Adjourned at 8:15pm**

**NEXT PAC MEETING: Monday February 4, 2014**

**ALL PARENTS ARE WELCOME TO ATTEND THE MEETING!**