

MOUNT SENTINEL PAC

Meeting Minutes
October 7, 2013

ATTENDANCE

Linda Verishine
Carrie Reilly
Marlo Popoff
Kathryn Rexin

Susan Wilson
Jason Taylor
Stacey Kabatoff

Ester Zdebiak
Maria Klement
Randy Stewart

Darelene Falle
Lori Sookorukof
Sally MacKenzie

1. WELCOME CALL TO ORDER/ADDITIONS TO AGENDA

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

2. Acceptance of Previous Meeting Minutes

- Meeting minutes of June 10, 2013 – accepted
- Meeting minutes of September 9, 2013 - accepted

3. Principal & Vice Principal Reports

- Glen Campbell absent – no report

4. SPC Report

- no report

5. Trustee Report – Sheri Walsh

- CUPE strike settled with wage lift of 3.5% over 2 years recognizing this is the 2nd year
- Schools need to work out new budgets to pay for the CUPE rise in pay by October 15, 2013. The money will not be coming from the school board budgets at the administration/ministry level but rather from the school budget levels.
- Still under discussion with CUPE and the BC Ministry of Education – final details of seniority, sick leave and shifts.
- Bus Passes - passes have been mailed out now
 - o issues & questions about the handling of the passes have been voiced
 - o Courtesy riders are still accepted but signed notes are required (for example – a student wishes to visit another student on different bus route)
 - o November 4 is the date to determine ridership numbers on the buses. For those of you who have not filled out the forms for bus pass registrations, please do so on the SD8 School district website <http://www.sd8.bc.ca/> look to right under heading of Bus Passes required for 2013-2014 link
 - o A request for a financial report on the cost of bus passes has been requested. Concern about the cost of the planning/producing and monitoring of these passes has been voiced.
 - o Bus issues and questions? Please contact Glen Campbell – Principal @ Mt. Sentinel 250-359-7219

6. Treasurer's Report

- PAC ACCOUNT as of July 31, 2013: \$408.97
- GAMING ACCOUNT as of July 31, 2013: \$6,720.00 + \$100.44 = \$6820.51 total
 - o note: \$6,720 is the gaming monies from the BC government grants just received in September

7. Secretary's Report

- Vesey's Bulbs – Fundraising program brochure
- BCCPAC – OUR VOICE Fall 2013 magazine issue
- BCTF – BC Teachers Federation Presentations: Presentation for Parents & Presentation for Aboriginal Parents brochures
- Mom's Pantry Forms

8. DPAC Report

- Next meeting to held October 24 5pm with light supper
 - o Part of agenda is the PAC orientation for newcomers, touch on School Planning Council
 - o Meeting to be held at the SD8 School Board Office on 570 Johnstone Road in Nelson
 - o There will an offer of a “Go To Meeting” so that you can attend meeting via computer
- October 6, 2013 is a “Go To Meeting” with the Creston group
- Barry MacDonald – Canada's National Advocate for Boys
http://www.mentoringboys.com/barry_macdonald.html
 - o Barry is a mentor who talks about the Boy Brain and Boy Smarts and why boys act the way they do, help parents understand them and handle issues
 - o Presentation – Parent Night scheduled for sometime in February 2014

9. Gaming Funding Update

- Gaming applications are ready and forms have been handed out
- Gaming Committee: Darlene Falle, Ester Zdebiak, Susan Wilson, Randy Stewart, Natalie Barabanoff
- Meeting tentatively scheduled for week of Oct 28, 2013
- Final decisions to be made by November 4, 2013

10. Fundraising Updates

- Purdy's Chocolates Fundraiser
 - o Shared with Brent Kennedy with Ester Zdebiak spearheading the Mt. Sentinel side
 - o Fundraiser monies will be going towards helping the Food Program
 - o There will be online ordering and a link on the school website
- Mom's Pantry
 - o 350 forms will be going out with report cards
 - o Online ordering is available
 - o Order deadline will be November 18/19 tentatively
 - o Delivery of orders to be 1st week of December

11. Food Program Update

- Flat fee of \$3 for the lunch - note: there is a great food item for each lunch each day
- designed to be a break even program
- Sold at the 2nd break
- Welcoming all donations of healthy foods and supplies and much needed parent volunteers.
- Contact the school to see how you can help here! Office: 250-359-7219

12. Letter of Support for School Television Station

- Danny Lemming – Approached Columbia Basin Trust for some funding to run a radio station by students
- The grant value is about \$15,000 from CBT

- Selkir College is very willing to give guidance to MSSS on equipment needs and installation advice and help.
- Fantastic opportunity for students to be a part of media, production, journalism and all other aspects of running a radio station!

13. Selkirk Representatives & Presentations

- Individual graduates may meet with Selkirk Counsellors, but appointments may be required
- Amy Kinakin – Presenter, Robin Higgins – Counsellor, Jocelyne Kinakin – Financial Planner
- If you are a parent of a graduate, now is the time to start considering with your student, the options that are available out there and the financial means in which to enroll your college student.

14. Passport to Education

- This is a grant scholarship for students provincially
- Questions about criteria, regulations and how graduates go about applying for this opportunity will be looked into by Susan Wilson. Stay tuned for further information

15. Grad Organization

- Grad meetings to be held with Glen Campbell to talk about a variety of subjects surrounding grad, grad transitions
- Theme is to be discussed by the grads
- Meeting is wanted by the parents of the grads by end of October if possible to get plans and fundraising started.
- Pointsettia Fundraiser should be started as early as possible to avoid being sold out by surrounding schools of Castlegar and Nelson.

Meeting Adjourned at 8:34 pm

NEXT PAC MEETING: Monday November 4, 2013

6:30 PM General Meeting

ALL PARENTS ARE WELCOME TO ATTEND THE MEETING!