

SDSS PAC Meeting

Jan 11, 2023

In Attendance:

Terry Ainge - Principal

Jamie K - Chair

Taryn P - Communications

Carole D - Member-At-Large

Gwen M - Treasurer

Jamie S - Secretary (attendance by Zoom)

Discussion around new members for the 2023-2024 PAC year.
Invite community members to attend March/April meetings to see what the roles are like; time required etc.

Fiscal year Jan. 1 for the bank accounts

Attendance by Zoom - 8 including myself

Meeting Minutes from December

Principal's Message

Good evening, tonight is Grad winter formal at the school for the first time in 3 years. I'll be in and out of the meeting.

Since coming back from the holidays, January is a busy month and semester ends on the 26th so there are lots of assignments, projects etc., still being completed.

Cycle of course planning has started and the faculty has started gathering info for the Course Planning Booklet for next year. In February there will be

assemblies for the students and some parent meetings also. For the current grade 8/9 classes, there will be an in-person meeting for parents and students on Feb. 6th, all are welcome; Feb 7 for next year's grade 10/11's course planning night for those parents and students at 7 pm in theatre; students in grade 7 will be notified of a date for that in-person meeting coming up the following week in Feb., more info to follow. Semester 2, Feb 1, (Jan 30 and 31 days are i/planning days and generally students won't be attending unless they have unfinished work); heads up for next PAC meeting - spend time with parents discussing secondary timetables which have changed over the course of the past couple of years. The 20/21 school year was a quarter schedule due to limitations to classes/cohorts; 21/22 year we switched to semesters and this year stayed in semesters; this time last year we surveyed families about what the timetables should look like. Now with more experience with semesters we can compare more options etc. Staff feel very strongly about Linear timetable due to programs like french immersion; math; international student program (broader perspective) strive; academy programs and extracurricular programs. Many teachers feel that semester management load is difficult to maintain. Parents and students seem to prefer the semester schedule and workload as it seems more manageable. School populations impact the elective and class options (school populations of 1500 vs.700 lends to more flexibility). We have been working with some experts in the field and voting is not the best way to develop results; disenfranchised. Need to focus on needs and objectives this will help point to the desired result. For the Feb PAC meeting, we would like to look at the objectives/values from a community perspective and see what kind of timetable we can create. Academies have been impacted the most due to pandemic and hard to run with a semester timetable. Final decision by Feb 28, 2023

Grade 12's - parents please submit email address for Dry Grad information so all parents can be reached. Deadlines coming up like yearbook pieces, gown size orders, baby photo and grads with their pets photo February 2023. Students will need to log into Deltalearns to access forms.

Jamie K. asked for seconding of Minutes
Carole D. is second for the Minutes.
Minutes from December meeting approved

Gwen explaining gaming funds allocation
Gaming account \$24,235.20
(Allocation by end of year)
\$1755.00 general account balance
PAC doesn't fund raise so money will eventually need to be replenished.

Category Breakdowns:

Athletics 7-8 applicants \$1000-\$3700 totals %47 of funds
Clubs %16 total funds - games, books, equipment \$4750.00
Counsellor %10 \$3000
Delta Youth
Education and Leadership
FieldTrips %2 \$700 for travel
Culinary Arts %2
School initiatives includes grad council and evergreen rocks

More detailed information will be posted on the website.

Jamie K announces vacancies for PAC for next year and has explained the need for a minimum of 5 Executives to qualify for the Gaming Funds and will need some Members-At-Large.

Andrie (football) went to the municipality regarding the grass field and they are going to replace the field (bleachers desperately need to be replaced as well, they are dangerous.) There is also no storage for anything like BBQ's.

Feb. 1st will be the next PAC meeting.