

Parent Advisory Council Meeting September 28, 2017

A.L. Fortune Library

- 1) Meeting was called to order @ 5:37 p.m.
- 2) Attendances: Elizabeth Brown, Sandi Broyden, Pam Chudiak, Gene Doray, Erna Jacobs, Michelle Mervyn, Tania Quigley, Amy Schafhauser, Brenda Walker
- 3) Motion made by Erna J. to adopt the minutes of meeting dated April 24th, 2017 seconded by Tania Q., carried; and June 13th, 2017 seconded by Brenda B., carried.
- 4) Business arising from minutes: None
- 5) Administration report:
 - Mrs. Chudiak, our new Vice-Principal, introduced herself. She has extensive experience in teaching grade 8-12 at several schools within as well as outside this School District (SAS, Jackson, Richmond, Japan). At A.L. Fortune she will be teaching Grade 7/PE 7.
 - Grade 7 is newly added to this school with 54 students enrolled. Grade 7 & 8 went to Gardom Lake camp with Grade 12 students in leadership roles. Grade 7 and 8 are working on how to support the foodbank, starting from a “fail perspective”: it encourages students to think of ways how to move away from a failing stage towards a successful stage. Grade 7 & 8 are alternating leadership roles per semester.
 - Once the final number of students for the whole school is known (cut-off date is September 29th), LRT time, assessment time and team-teaching time can be adequately assigned. We have 67 categorized students and 7 gifted students. As of today’s date there are 290 students registered at this school (224 last year). Student count rises with some students taking more than the regular 8 courses, which brings student count to 322 FTE. There are +/- 16 teachers.
 - A hand-out was given which discusses “10 Essential Skills High School Students need for College Success” which can also be found on Linked-In. It discusses study skills, self-management, critical thinking and problem solving etc.
 - Students are now able to use Chromebooks and take these to their classrooms.
 - Students have access to an Indigenous Success Coach.
 - Science 10 will be a linear course this year.

6) Treasurer's report:

- Gaming account: \$1,900.19 as per August 31, 2017
- General account: \$2,308.26 as per August 31, 2017

Grant has been applied for and will come in next month. A thank-you card was received from Arusha Bruns for 2017 scholarship. We need to keep financial documentation for 10 years.

Some of the funds of last school year have gone to Orange Kettle Breakfast Program, Dry Grad, Hooki stools, Gardom Lake camp, Skills Canada trip, band trip, Track & Field trip.

Tania Quigley steps down as Treasurer. Your contribution and dedication is much appreciated. Thank you!

7) New Business:

Election of 2017/2018 PAC Executive will be postponed until next meeting as co-chair Mel Hamilton is not present at this meeting. Co-chair Margaret de Hoog has stepped down whose efforts are appreciated. Once we have elected a new PAC executive, a re-sign needs to be done at the Credit Union. A quick overview what the duties are of each Executive member (taken from the A.L. Fortune Parent Advisory Council Constitution and bylaws 2013):

- President
 1. Shall convene and preside at all membership, special and Executive meetings.
 2. Shall ensure, in consultation with the Principal or designate, that an agenda is prepared and presented.
 3. Shall appoint committees where authorized to do so by the Executive or membership.
 4. Shall take such actions or ensure that such actions are taken by others to achieve the objectives and purpose of the ALFPAC.
 5. Shall be the official spokesperson for the ALFPAC.
 6. Shall assume the responsibilities of the Chairperson when required.
 7. Shall accept extra duties as required.
- Treasurer
 1. Shall be responsible for and report on the accounts of the ALFPAC.
 2. Shall draft, with the assistance of the Executive, a budget and tentative plan of expenditures.
 3. Shall prepare a financial report.
 4. Shall be one of two signing officers of the Executive.
- Secretary
 1. Shall be responsible for the preparation and distribution of the minutes, agendas and notices for ALFPAC meetings.
 2. Shall record the minutes of the membership, special, and Executive meetings.
 3. Shall issue and receive correspondence on behalf of the ALFPAC.
 4. The minutes of the last meeting shall be filed with the Chairperson at the next Executive meeting.

DPAC is hosting several parent education workshops:

Carol Fullerton Parent Numeracy Workshops – November 8th in Armstrong and February 22nd in Salmon Arm.

A.L. Fortune is asked to host one or more showings of documentaries namely “Screenagers” and “Over 18”. Dates and final decisions are still pending.

8) Next meeting: Thursday October 19th, 2017 @ 5:30 p.m.

9) Adjournment of meeting @ 7:15 p.m.

Minutes by Erna Jacobs Friday September 29th, 2017.