



Parent Advisory Council

c/o 1211 Frost Road, Kelowna BC, V1W 5M1

Minutes of CMS PAC Meeting

Date: June 14th, 2022

1. Call to Order 6:39pm
2. Adoption of Agenda -agenda adopted by Patty Glover, seconded by Jeanette Watson
3. Approval of May 18, 2022 Meeting Minutes - approved by Jeanette Watson , seconded by Patty Glover
4. Administration Update – Jim Laird, Principal and Carson Tonn, Vice Principal

Summary

2022's been a great year in so many ways – year three has easily been our best year so far. Coming slowly out of COVID restrictions has been hugely positive for our learners and appreciated by every adult here. It wasn't without challenges though: COVID still in the community, staffing shortages, variants exploding around the world, and everything in between. Saying all that, this has been our most normal year since opening. What a wild ride to start a new school. This year saw the return of Enrichment, Drama productions, Band concerts, a Band festival, an Outdoor Ed trip, a Grade 5 open house, a second playing field (albeit limited), PAC events, and a return to a semblance of regular routines for our kids and teachers. We couldn't be prouder of how hard everyone worked, and how amazing our kids (your children) are. From a learning perspective, our staff has really gelled and have united our work around common learning goals related to Learner Agency, and Learner Metacognition/Reflection. This work is important and has taken a year of focused time and effort, despite global pandemic distractions, to get us to where we are. Next year will see the staff take a deep dive in these areas with new learning and the implementation of strategies that will move us in the right direction.

As we finish this year, we are happy where the school is at given the tough journey we've all been on, and there still is so much room to grow which is exciting for us. Ideally, the world will continue to be open and learning environments flexible, and year four will shape up to be even better than year three. We're proud of the work and are excited about the possibilities ahead.

Thank You

- As always, we are grateful for everything each of you have done for the school, for the staff, and most importantly, for our children this year. You've made a huge difference in the school. Thank you, thank you, thank you. I've never seen a PAC ever run so smoothly and be so mobilized to do amazing things; that speaks to your leadership and commitment.

Volunteer Appreciation (Thursday, June 16 th 1-2pm in the staff room)

- We have scheduled our volunteer appreciation after hot lunch on June 16 th from 1-2pm. It's informal and drop in. This is meant for anyone who has volunteered time at CMS. We don't know whether 20 people will come or 120. Either way, we are looking forward to having some tea and coffee, and some snacks, and a chance to say thank you. As the PAC requested, it will be low key and informal, as to not spend a bunch of money after you've spent a ton of time raising money for us.

Code of Conduct

- Please take a few minutes before the end of the year to review our Code of Conduct to provide any feedback as a PAC. This is something that we share with the PAC each year. Please note that most of the Code of Conduct is standard and set by the district but if there is any feedback or suggestions, please pass them along to Carson and I.

<http://www.cms.sd23.bc.ca/About/codeofconduct/Documents/CMS%20Code%20of%20Conduct%20Updated%20May%2031%202021.pdf>

Year-End Celebrations: Dates to Note

- Thursday, June 23 is the Grade 8 celebration day (Wibbit, and upon return, activities, games, pizza & ice cream)
- Monday, June 27 is the Bertram Beach day for the Eagle, Grizzly, and Dragonfly communities
- Tuesday, June 28 is the Bertram Beach day for the Fox, Kokanee, and Deer communities

Presentations of Learning

- We are inviting families to CMS for their child's Presentation of Learning on June 27th or 28th. These presentations are a way to share how they've grown in their Core Competencies (thinking, communicating and personal/social awareness) through all the learning they've done this year. They will be conversation style presentations like you would see at a science fair or art gallery with students spread about the gym and community rooms to allow for conversations about learning between you and your student.
- We are hoping that each student will be able to have at least one trusted adult who could attend their 10 min presentation at some point during their 45 min time slot. This could be a

parent, aunt/uncle, grandparent, or trusted family friend. More than one adult is always welcome! So, it's time to start thinking about who will be able to attend the presentation for your learner! We'll be sending out a sign up in the next few weeks so make sure every learner has a person to celebrate their learning with them.

Staffing Updates

- We're in the middle of the third round of teacher postings. There will be additional rounds, but we're waiting to see. We've been extremely lucky with our postings and are getting great people.
 - o Some have posted out, and some are going on maternity leave next year – we do work under a collective agreement, allowing people to take leaves and post every year
 - o Nolan, Kaitlyn, Dustin, Brendan, and Alanna will be missed
- Community teams have not been finalized yet. Once all the dust settles, we will look at placements. Continuity in communities is a priority.

Yearbooks

- The yearbooks have arrived. We haven't set a date yet for distribution, but likely during the final full week of classes (ie. next week). Information will be coming home as soon as that's planned
- As always, we do not have replacement books if there are yearbooks defaced or lost. Teachers will be discussing appropriate yearbook expectations with every student in each community prior to handing them out. For your own children, if they receive a yearbook, please pass along that they need to be responsible for their book, and for others;

Year End, Last Day

- And as a reminder, the last full day of classes is our second PoL day on June 28th
- On June 29th, the children are in session from 9-10am only to have a final connection with their teachers and each other, ensure that their lockers are cleaned out and materials are taken home, and to receive a paper copy of their final report card. Busing will run on an adjusted schedule for that day and will be taking children home shortly after 10am.

5. Budget Update – Kendal Shaw

- raised \$63,808 this year
- \$90,000 in account (\$23,000 money for other things that is already spent, \$18,000 hot lunch expenses, wanted to start the year with \$22,000 next year, we will have a lot for other projects that are needed)

6. COPAC Update – Jeanette Watson

- no updates

7. Coordinators Updates

- a. Events - Darlene Zanni & Rosie Poyntz-Wright

-ice cream ready for the Grade 8's, frozen yogurt party for Deer, next year plan a more community/at school event for Grade 8's

b. Hot Lunch - Jennifer Erbiceaunu

-supposed to raise \$30,000 and it is over \$45,000, look into debit machine (tap) for next year

8. Other Updates a. Spring Market - Patty Glover

-many vendors seemed very happy, food truck ran out of food is a complaint, thoughts about a holiday market next year, need to set date very early in September - November 26th

9. New Business

a. PAC Elections in September

Motion to officially postpone the elections - firsted by Patty Glover and seconded by Jeanette Watson - passed with no objection

Karlene Dawson for Treasurer

Jeanette Watson - Co-PAC

Trish Trainor - Secretary

Need: 2 hot lunch coordinators, events, fundraising

b. Thank you for our departing PAC members

10. General Discussion & Questions

11. Adjournment - 7:30pm

Next Meeting: September 2022, Location, Date and Time, TBC