

DUNSMUIR MIDDLE SCHOOL
Parent Advisory Committee Meeting

Tuesday May 23, 2023, 6:30pm

Attendees:

Rebecca Pacey, Candice McLeod, Teresa Janisch, and Tanya Lajoie, Mark Kaercher and Allison Hyatt

Absent: April Flannagan, Kim McMillan, Meagan Bagnall, Alicia Hayes, Hayley Nesbitt and Stephanie Tomlinson

1. Call to Order

Meeting started at 6:36 pm

2. Adoption of previous minutes – April 25, 2023

Motion to adopt the previous minutes as distributed –approved by Tanya and seconded by Candice and Teresa

3. Old Business

- **Bursary:**
 - Applicants chosen and Belmont advised.

- **Emergency fund:**
 - To be discuss next meeting and/or April to follow up with Mark
 - Postpone to next meeting

- **Art card:**
 - To be discuss next meeting and/or April to follow up with Mark
 - Something to look at doing next year

- **PAC Mtg:**
 - June 27th - we will move this one to June 20th and it will need to be added to school website
 - Teresa to email Earleen to have info listed on the weekly newsletter.

- **PAC Business**
 - Bank Account - Adding Candice and Stephanie as an account signer.
 - Bylaws – need to be updated each year
 - Maybe a template created by SPEAC for all schools.
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 - PAC AGM – need to elect new PAC for 2023/24 year.
 - Teresa to draft up a notice for the Dunsmuir weekly notice
 - Postponed to June 20th

4. Report

- Replacing Mascot for DMS; surveyed the classes and the top 4 has been picked; families will have the opportunity to vote
- 28 divisions at DMS plus blended learning; 8 Divisions for grade 6-7, 10 divisions for grade 8
- Class assignments for the 2023-24 year is being prepared.
- September start-up will look similar to next year, Mr. Kaercher to send out an email in the coming weeks regarding September

- Sport court update – ETA to be completed for July 2023
- Funding grant secured for new accessible playground, hope to make a few changes to the existing playground and then create a new one down by the sports court.
- Exploration /grooming presentation put on by Mia Golder
- Band program – moved outside the time table for 2 times a week (7:30-8:45am) starting in Sept 2023. Students will be able to take ADST and Band

5. Treasurer's Report as of May 23, 2022

- Non Gaming: \$6,616.63
- Gaming: \$12652.26 approx.
 - Gaming application went through 1199118 application ID for Grant
- Looking into if we can pay SPEAC expenses and school cheques with Gaming funds
- Will reimburse Tanya for ink/paper due to the amount of printing she does at home for this role

6. SPEAC Update

- Scott Stinson (Superintendent) has announced retirement at the end of this calendar year
- Discussion on next years Operation plan
- Discussion on lost of music in elementary and middle schools
- Discussion about Westshore Centre for Learning school; that is popular with students in athletics or academies who need modified school schedules. Discussion about renaming the school and having that school become a full school with a PAC etc. SPEAC queried if it could instead become a branch of another school, such as under the umbrella of Belmont.
- SPEAC Financial update and signing authority update
- BCCPAC update

7. New Business

None

Meeting Adjourned at 7:40pm

Next meeting June 20, 2023