

## Springvalley Middle School PAC Meeting Minutes

September 26<sup>th</sup> 2022

6:15pm at SMS Library

1. Attendance: Natalie, Jessica B, Janelle, Breanna, Melissa, Katie B, Jessica S, Jammie P, Jasmeet, Thomas, Dori, Angela, Jackie, Philippa & Upstream Team
2. Approval of Agenda: Breanna adopted the agenda for tonight's meeting and Jessica B seconded it.
3. Approval of Minutes from June Meeting: Jessica B adopted the minutes from June's meeting and Jammie P seconded it.
4. Guest Speaker – Philippa Putlitz – Upstream Kelowna Presentation. Upstream is a preventative school-based community collaborative which aims to build resiliency and overall well-being in the lives of students and their families. It's a 3 step process: assessment, check-in and connection to support. Upstream is only at KLO and SMS right now. We are very lucky to have them at our school. If you want more information you can contact the admin staff at SMS.
5. Officer Reports
  - a. President's Report by Natalie: PAC funding request forms have been sent out to all teachers and are due back by October 11th so that we can review them before the next meeting. Natalie will also be working on reviewing our bylaws and policies sometime this year. Any edits, changes or updates will be voted on by the end of the school year (Possibly at our June meeting).
  - b. Treasurer's Report by Jessica:
    - i. Gaming Account bank balance: \$6,181.96
    - ii. General Account bank balance: \$8,425.74
    - iii. Action Natalie: Look into COBSS bursary and confirm when we need to pay it by. (Usually November?)
    - iv. **Action Lacey**: Please post on Facebook in October, closer to our next meeting date, we will be presenting our proposed budget and will need at least 3 non-executive members present at the meeting in order to approve it.
  - c. COPAC Report by Jammie – The government gave approx 2.4 million dollars to SD23 to spend how they see fit. We are waiting to hear what the final decision is.... They could potentially be paying for our school fees and that is why our school fees are currently on hold. Stay tuned for more details on this. COPAC also wants to ensure that all school PACS are using the SD23 provided PAC president email address. COPAC is no longer covering the cost of the BCCPAC

registration fee. The fee is \$75 for a membership and this membership allows us to vote at meetings and also allows us a connection to the group of parents that are in communication with the government of BC. We would like to pay this minimal fee and get a membership. Also, there will be a COPAC zoom meeting happening in regards to the upcoming election and Jammie will post the zoom link when she gets it.

6. Hot Lunch Report by Breanna: Hot Lunch is going well so far! They served Boston Pizza hot lunch today and there were 110 orders. Next week will be Subway.

Action Breanna: Please formulate an email with simple instructions on how to set up your hot lunch account and then ask the school admin team to email it out to all families.

7. Administration Report by Thomas:

Updated enrolment numbers for 22-23

- a. Actual enrolment today: 583
- b. Grade 6 – 8 sections, 189 students, class size average 23.6
- c. Grade 7 – 8 sections, 199 students, class size average 24.9
- d. Grade 8 – 8 sections, 195 students, class size average 24.4
- e. Strategies – 3 students

Staffing updates:

- f. Welcomes to:
  - i. Andi Silver – new RT from Armstrong
  - ii. Beau Loomer, Jane Overholt, both in grade 6; Midori Fujita in grade 7; Mary McDonald, Lisa Stanley, Sam Steenwyk in grade 8; Tova Ciccotelli in ELL and grade 6; Jill Goodheart, Foods; Steve Carr, RMS/SMS Specialty Program; Joy Richardson, Indigenous Tutor and grade 7; Brittany Armstrong, Valentina Neykova, Rachel Nobert, Kylie Wilson, Isabella Collins and Angela Bodnar - CEAs.
- g. Still short 3 CEAs – will be filled when more hiring happens

Terry Fox Run was a success. Most students participating. About \$400 raised. Congratulations to Mr. Hopgood – Lifetime Achievement Award from CADA Parent/Teacher Conferences on October 5 & 6; early dismissal at noon both days. Conferences will be run in a variety of formats. Watch for communication from your child's teachers.

We are at the start of Reconciliation Week.

- h. Rocks have been placed (finally) in the garden and a dedication will be held sometime in the morning of Thursday, September 29 with a Community Elder.
- i. Orange Shirt Day at SMS is on Thursday September 29.

We are waiting on Planning and Facilities Committee to approve the picnic table installation. Concrete will be donated by a local company.

Volleyball teams, Rugby and Cross-Country running and back. Archery starting soon.

Not enough interest for boy's volleyball.

New Athletic Director is Jay Prodger. Huge thanks to Ryan Taylor for his 9 years of service in this role.

KAT vs. Caring Communities block.

Enrichment – students are signing up right now. Classes will begin in the second week of October after the long weekend.

We have organized in-day collab time for teams of our teachers. End result should be improved learning experiences for students.

All humanities teachers are involved in whole class reading and writing assessments right now, listening, one-on-one, to each child. Math assessments are also happening right now.

UPSTREAM – assessment is happening this Wednesday morning for grade 8s

Our yellow field

Why no school and athletic fees?

New reporting order from Ministry of Education.

**8. Old Business – None**

**9. New Business – We are in need of a new Fundraising Coordinator!**

If you are interested in helping out a few hours per month, please let one of the PAC executive members know.

Spirit Wear order forms are being worked on and we are planning to sell spirit wear this fall. Stay tuned for more details.

Meeting adjourned at 7:50pm.

Minutes prepared by Janelle Schultz

Next PAC Meeting: Monday, October 17<sup>th</sup> at 6:15pm at SMS Library