

CVSS PAC MEETING

Minutes

September 14, 2021, 9am

1. **Attendance:** Kelly Fitchett, Sherry Harder, Crystal Stankevich, Brian Hamm, Greg Wanke, Kristi Wray, April Parsons, Corene Collins, Amira Khalil, Melissa, Michelle, Rhonda Basil, Jenn, Naomi, Mike Nelson, Tania Wiklund and Natasha Huscroft (guest).

2. **Approval of Agenda/Minutes of June 8, 2021**

Motion to approve, Crystal S. Seconded by, April P. Carried.

3. **Old Business**

- a. **Hub update:** 2 Doctors and counsellors from EKASS and VCS. Starting next week.
- b. **Lunch Program update:** School and PAC supports lunches – last year hot lunches were paid by students when possible. Harvest share provides produce. Last year PAC made \$2000. PAC and parent volunteers to do salad bar this year. Need crim checks. Wednesday mornings 3 hours shopping. Thursday all day at 8:30 to 2:00. Prepping, serving and cleanup. Volunteers welcome.

Discussion:

PAC executive chose to share costs with the school to ensure all students receive lunches. Any decisions made by executive need to be discussed in meetings with parents attending. Brian will ensure budgets are shared in future meetings. Kristi suggests asking DPAC/BCCPAC for money.

- c. **Boulder Wall:** Student led initiative. PAC agreed to fund some of project (not installation). (\$1000 deposit on design from Calgary –Magic Labs) Oliver Beaucher (student lead) to be in charge of donation campaign. Creating website. Natasha Huscroft from Kokanee Ford here to help fundraise – community barbecue but this was cancelled due to COVID 19. Penned letter asking 25 businesses to donate to fund for the climbing wall. Now needing to follow up with these businesses. Need full budget and where we are at. Some questions from business community: What happens to money if school district pulls approval? (in SD8 trust fund for boulder wall – traditionally this remains in this trust for CVSS to use and not for other projects) Received letters from operations from SD8 approving project. PAC has not committed funds yet. \$11,332.00 total costs. Material and shipping can be paid by PAC. Idea discussed that Oliver

could request PAC sponsor up to So that the community knows how much they need to donate in next couple weeks. Idea proposed to set date to firm up campaign – then date to close it and do it in stages. Kristi volunteers to approach the town for funds if needed.

- d. **Fundraising updates:** Popcorn sales last year (Kelly F and Dawn Joy) – would like to do this again as it made money for general account.
- e. **Grade 8 Transitions:** Had a week planned for Grade 8 with activity day in Canyon and guest speaker but had to cancel due to COVID protocols. Decided to delay this. Open day assembly – every month will have a theme. Building experience, connection and competence. One day of every month each grade is pulled out for an hour or half day to tie in to theme. This month is belonging. Will engage with PAC and student council to be present. Grade 8's and 9's a big focus. 105 per grade in 8 and 9. CVSS met with staff from all elementary school staff last school year to prepare for grade 8's.

4. Treasurer's Report

CVSS General Account Balance as of September 10, 2021 - \$3613.42

Gaming Account Balance as of September 10, 2021 - \$12,716.04

Gaming funds come in September (approx. \$10,000).

Motion to accept report Kristi W, seconded by April P. Carried.

5. Principal's Report

Welcome back music program. Dr. Morgan Jones – reviving program.

Athletics started – volleyball started and soccer meeting tomorrow. Looking for coaches (contact Josh Nichol). Just need crim check to volunteer.

Retreats starting – communication to be sent out to parents.

Support Pathways – commitment to support all students in key areas. Track attendance, academic performance and behavior – develop plan to support them through school year (vulnerable students). CVSS supporting trauma informed practice – supporting kids. Keep clear line of communication – flow chart to share with students – focus on teachers developing a relationship with students – make connection with home. Teachers to deal with behaviors before sending to counsellors. Teachers had 2 day pro d in summer to learn more about trauma informed practice. Planning a leadership team and book study (will invite parents) around Paper Tigers film.

New hires – Michelle Letournaut – (working with Korleen Stapleton) – special education
Amanda LeBlanc – Humanities until December

Theatre, field and gym open for booking. Vaccine passports and masks will be required.

Renaming process – changed name last year. Interim name Creston Valley Secondary School. New name process was proposed. New Superintendent is working with board to see how process will involve community and school members. Brian proposed community committee to look at data and recommending 2 names to give to board. Possibly to happen by December. - - some things affected like new athletic shirts – right now they will say Creston Valley (for Fall sports). Multi phases of this. Name change removed symbol of monarchy. Changing to be more inclusive.

Discussed athletics budget – school covers most fees except hotel costs and food during tournaments.

Parents not able to be indoor spectators to start off.

No restrictions on kids in school re: vaccinations – will follow community restrictions. How are students being kept engaged if out due to Covid ?– not offering 2 learning experiences. Hospital homebound if out longer than 2 weeks. Teacher connecting with family – parents picking up packages. Not tracking academics as much last year – this will change now.

Getting a one to one program in October for grade 10 – laptop for all students. 3 year cycle (have it to grade 12).

6. New Business

- a. New Funding Requests** – Drift Cars (Mr. Banman) – purchased 5 drones from the \$2000 from last year – changing drone program to RC club.

Motion to use rest of money for drift cars, Sherry H and seconded by Kristi W. Carried.

- b. Funds to carryover to next school year** – approx. \$2700 needs to be spent.
- c. Fund Raising Ideas** – Crystal proposed a calendar idea for student photography. Mr. Banman provided 20 photos. Want to use a local print shop to sell for \$25 at Christmas season. (end of November) Pre-order them. Crystal will ask for help in choosing photos.

Popcorn – need \$200

Motion to approve 200 for purchase of popcorn, Sherry H, seconded by Tania W. Carried.

- d. **Name Change** – PCSS PAC – need documentation from SD8 to change name. Won't change cheques – just ordered new box. Must remain this way until receive change forms from SD8. Cannot currently accept cheques in CVSS PAC until change is completed.

Motion to change PCSS PAC to CVSS PAC April P. seconded by Kristi W. Carried.

- e. Meeting with New Superintendent Trish Smillie - Wednesday September 22 (8:15 to 8:30). Some reps to come from PAC. Email to go out.

7. Adjournment at 10:34am and Next Meeting – Oct 12, 2021 9am.

April P motioned to adjourn, seconded by Crystal S. Carried.