

KRSS PAC MEETING

Minutes

December 14, 2021

- 1) Attendance: Kelly Fitchett, Crystal Stankevich, Sherry Harder, Brian Hamm, Mike Nelson, Kristi Wray
- 2) Approval of Agenda/Minutes of November 9, 2021: With additions under new business - Motion to approve Sherry H, seconded by Kristi W. carried.
- 3) Old Business
 - a. Salad Bar update: going well. Seeking ways to increase student uptake. Needs to be financially viable. Rotary may be a source for funding. Cost of food is increasing. The administration informs the PAC that there is no more funding available at the school level for the salad bar. Discussion whether or not salad bar can happen this week occurs. Brian says that the school will find the funds for this week, but in Jan other funding will be needed to continue. With a letter outlining our current needs, the Gleaner's will help with food donations. PAC will need to evaluate the feasibility in the new year. Perhaps a different food program would better serve the student's needs.
 - b. Boulder Wall update: Oliver recently presented to the Rotary. They would like to support this. Had some questions about community access and liability which Brian answered for them. They would like to go through the PAC with the funding. Brian will connect them to Sherry for clarification. Currently \$8982.00 has been raised. \$11,400.00 is the target to move forward.
 - c. Fundraising updates (calendar): There are 6 calendars left. Brian will take them and promote at a staff function.

4) Treasurer's Report – General Account \$2,721.40

Gaming Account \$21,727.02

Mr. Banman still has \$190.69 available from a previous funding request. As well, \$4662.00 is allocated to the bouldering wall.

5. Principal's Report – Basketball has started. New ABED staff, Diane McDonald, has been added to support the 150+ ABED students. Two postings for staff have been listed. Spectators are now allowed at events with masking and capacity requirements. Footlighters and a Children's Choir have been using the school theatre space. More clubs are running for the students. Yeti continues to run its programming. The cancellation of tournaments has been weather or transportation related. The cameras will be updated Aug 2022 at the school. Information has been emailed out to parents/guardians. This will increase the quality and coverage. The school was renamed Kootenay River Secondary School. An official ceremony will occur at a later date. Sherry will need the official board meeting minutes to take to the bank to change name.

6. New Business

- a) Student tracking – Report cards have gone home. Student Support Pathways are continuing. Staff looks at attendance, behavior and academics of students. If a student falls below certain thresholds in these areas the teacher will connect with the student and

if warranted then the parents. If a student falls below in more than one area they are placed on a list of vulnerable students. In the 64 days of this school year, 44 students were identified as such. Twelve of those students are no longer on the list (exitted for a variety of reasons). Parents/guardians are encouraged to connect with their child(ren)'s if they have any concerns.

b) Breakfast Program - the PAC has been approached to help get a breakfast program up and running. Mr. Louie and Mr. Banman have let the PAC know that there is some funding available (from Gleaners and the Dairy Producers). The PAC sees the value of offering such a program. How it would operate, when, where, with what volunteers, disposable vs reusable dishes are questions that need clarification. Perhaps student volunteers could help out. A letter to parents asking for input and volunteers will be drafted. Revisit at Jan meeting.

c) Funding Requests

- i) Art Club - meets Wednesday after school. 20-30 students attend. Snacks and supplies are provided. They are requesting funding to assist the continuation of the club. Kelly Motions to fund \$1000.00 from the gaming account. Crystal seconds. Carried.
- ii) Library- is requesting funds to cover the cost of prizes for a contest. Crystal motions to fund \$100.00 from the general account and Sherry seconds. Carried
- iii) Student Celebration- the PAC would like to give out candy canes to the students the last week before winter break. Crystal motions to spend up to \$200.00 from the gaming account to purchase candy canes. Sherry seconds. Carried.

7. Open Floor

- a) Parent member asked if more extracurricular activities could be offered. A teacher/staff member would need to be the lead and community involvement could happen.
- b) Parent member asked if we should start offering Hot Lunch options (similar to last year). We will revisit in Jan. Need to consider our volunteer base.

Adjournment at 10:15am. Next meeting January 11, 9-10 am