

Centennial PAC meeting

Nov. 6, 2017

Library 7:02pm

Attendance: Tamara Dean Chair, Susan Sorensen Secretary, Cinza DeJesus Treasurer, Deb Meuller Member at Large, Jon Bruneau principal, Kelly Zimmer vice principal, Veronika Farnell Vice Principal, Denise Eisner, Nicole Powell, Angela Killins, Dieter Malakoff Teacher, Dept Head. Stacey Copeland Kerr, Bruce Meek, Audrey Charney, Dalene Schulz, Regrets; Teri Towner DPAC rep.

Chair, Tamara; Welcome Everybody, good to see you out, thank you very much.

Approval of minutes from Sept 25; 1st app'd; Cinzia, 2nd: Angela

All in favour, no opposed; carried.

Chair report; nothing really to report, except that for the Budget, we are not doing a full budget tonight. I will let you Jon speak to that in a moment.

Treasurer report, Cinzia; see attached.

Account is \$525.16; and we received our gaming \$26,440. Parent donations are up this year, \$4090.00, amazing.

DPAC; Teri Towner; absent; Susan read her notes; see attached.

Teachers Report; Dieter Malakoff; Any questions please let me know;

He has documents to look at for the teacher class size and composition. Some classes are smaller than have been in past. Classes 28 or less.

3 special ed kids; then max drops by additional 2 students.

Our class sizes are considerably less than that with the special ed students. The classes are good for the kids. In past there could be up to 6 or 7 special ed kids in classes, that isn't happening now.

This made a change back to 5 block class days.

Implemented by the Supreme Court, the out- come is from 15 years of teacher action

Remedy; if a class has too many students above the maximums and if there are too many identified kids there is a formula that determines remedy process.

There is a system in Coquitlam, very strong position of BCTF is not cash for kids, not compensation for the teacher, but extra support for the classroom.

Still in negotiation. Usually some kinds of extra teaching for the classroom teacher, and the kids.

Could be a teacher that covers the class for the main teacher to do ie; professional develop. Extra learning for the teacher. Contractually recognized extra challenges.

To improve the learning environment. By this time next year the issues should be ironed out.

Principal Report: Jon,

Couple of major changes; gr 9; letter grades only

Gr 10 as well, but will be blended grade and percentage for the next report.

No longer a percentage as well. Most teachers will continue to share the percentage with the students, but not on the report card.

Ministry version of the report card.

Gr 9 kids taking gr 10 classes will also have the percentage. There are a few kids who are taking gr 10 classes.

This is necessary for kids that may be applying for example to a US university.

Also; realizing the Ministry decision to delay the grad program for another year.

Gr 9's won't be affected, but gr 10's will have a realignment of curriculum for next year.

Socials 11 won't be offered next year, this curriculum will move down to gr 10.

Socials teachers determining how to extend the curriculum for next year. This is important for kids applying to University to have socials 11 and not have it be repetitive of already learned material in gr10.

Very time sensitive the Government announced this only 10 days ago.

Course subscription book; last year online only, due to feedback, this year it will be a paper version again.

5block timetable again this year. Crux for the majority is to work around their schedule. Lunch can be a long haul if it isn't mid- day.

825-315 school day. Bus schedule, and being careful of early start and a later day.

Every minute added to the day is either the morning or end of day.

Enrollment 1300-1400, cannot be done over 4 block day.

Try to get most gr 9+10 over block 3 lunch and gr 11+ 12 a block 4 lunch.

Lockers; more demand than anticipated.

Kelly Zimmer VP: Company for the lockers is different from the original school building company.

800 lockers in the building adding approx. 300 more.

Some lockers will be hanging (can't cover electrical outlets). Early December is the anticipated date.

12 inch lockers, get more in. Mainly for jackets/ shoes etc. kids keep their backpacks with them.

New building will have another 85 lockers,

Principal report cont'd; Jon

1050 lockers for 1300 students; 500 have to share. Will be better than it was.

1354 students; plus 48 cross enrolled (hockey and 2nd sem ACE IT auto and culinary).

Moving issues; problems with kitchen, fridge, airflow. This is not an expense to us. The building company is looking after this.

Science upgrades; physics have their space with outlets.

Tech Ed; dust collector being worked on.

TV's, not up yet. Installation too expensive.

Blinds; Windows, south facing. Kids can't see the projections etc.

Furniture; some new (to us) great deal.

Terry Fox Run went well

Senior Sail was flawless.

Football had a rough season

Winter Formal; Nov 21. Tix sales in foyer or online two days only Nov, 6, 7. \$16.00, kids do better with short deadlines.

Remembrance Day assembly this Thurs Nov. 9 we will be at capacity.

Parking; got worse from our last meeting. Kids from our school and some teachers have to park at Vanier across the street. That school principal noticed there are some reckless drivers and that is a real concern for her students and staff. There will be passes for the cars and numbered parking stalls. This way they can identify the reckless drivers more easily.

If this works, then the principal across the street from her school will assign passes to her parent/teachers. This is to track the cars/owners for those drivers that are reckless.

If you park without a pass, then the car will be towed. We no longer have access to lot at Dogwood, city won't rent us the lot space anymore. Need to maintain the relationship with the City as we use the Rec Ctr etc. for our PE programs and lots of other events.

The drop off curve is a gong show; debating ways to control traffic. Thinking of asking kids to txt parents, I'm on my way out. Flow is mired down, bus for students with special needs unable to get kids earlier.

Signs are not the greatest. But work with parents to describe the issue and ask child to not wait on the curve.

School buses need to park there, safety issues.

Parent Concern; old Crosswalk by the old building/bus loop. Now the building not being used, Kids walking out from driveway and going across the street not in the crosswalk.

Answer/discussion: City will have to reorganize crosswalk. There will eventually be a field on that location, hard to know how it will all look at this point.

Committee reports: DAG; Deb Mueller, we've had our first meeting and our next meeting is next week Nov. 15 7pm in the Library.

383 gr 12's for 2018. Less 25 cross enrolled. = 358. +/- international students ~ 20.

Unfinished business; none

New business; BUDGET; Cinzia has supplied the history of last 6 budgets. (see attached)

Only doing a partial budget tonight; Jon and the admin decided they need more time for this year's budget. Exceedingly busy with the move. Did not want to add more tasks to the pile.

We can do partial for our regular items and clubs, we have more clubs this year.

The staff would appreciate more time to make decisions, last year the bulk of the money wasn't even really spent until the spring.

Student Recognition proposals; Teacher Colin Cameron; planning stages of some ideas; Student of the week/ the month

Actual awards and certificates, they are expensive. Any more money would upgrade to improve those items.

Temp Budget: our usual and customary items

Grad Pens \$2000.00

After-Grad; \$6000.00

Bursaries and scholarships 4 x 500 = \$2000.00

Student support \$ 2000.00

Student recognition; \$1500.00

Clubs/Vox \$ 1000.00 over 20 clubs

Staff Luncheon 600.00 from Operating acct, not gaming.

General discussion: Calendar and notifications to parents have been missing important items. Sometimes not sent out with very much notice. IE PAC mtgs. Early dismissal etc.

Motion to accept temporary budget as discussed; 1st mtn Deb, 2nd Stacey,

All in favour, none opposed.

Will revisit at next meeting date; Feb 26 ; Budget to be complete.

At next meeting in Feb, we will make a change to our constitution to vote in new PAC exec at the June meeting. As two members are leaving and we need to have an executive in place for the following Sept.

Lastly, suggestion to have the Budget at the top of the next meeting and then our regular and usual items after that as the Budget is a long process.

Thank you everyone for coming out.

Mtg adjourned 8:15.