



MAPLE CREEK PAC MEETING AGENDA
Monday, Mar 7, 2022 at 7 PM

Location: Zoom

PAC Executive: PAC Chair - Mike van der Velden;
Treasurer - Jennifer Jarvis;
Secretary - Amir Keibi;
DPAC - Nathalie Wang;
Fundraising Coordinator - Jennifer Sam

1. Welcome/Call to Order

Start 7:06

2. Approval of Agenda

Moved by Mike van der Velden, Second by Amir Keibi

3. Approval of Minutes from Feb 7, 2022 and Dec 6, 2021

Motion to approve Dec 6th, second by Jennifer Jarvis, no objection, approved
Feb 6th minutes will be reviewed next month

4. New Business:

4.1. Jennifer Sam couldn't attend

4.2. Hot Lunch update - remains on hold – Andrew Graham suggested we can do lunches pending a meeting on March 29th with district

4.3. Teacher wish list - Gaming Funds – We've been reviewing this in the past few meetings. There are still a few items that need to be worked out between Jennifer and school secretaries. A few updates:

4.3.1. Invoice: Band polar shirt (total to be captured): \$5,355 (Sent on December 6th)

4.3.2. Invoice: Grade 8 hoodies \$6,000: \$5,977.30 was actually spent

4.3.3. Soccer balls have arrived and are being utilized

4.4. Dress code update – Ian Robertson – Some of the teaching staff brought up some verbiage in clothing guideline (last updated February 2021) that the language should be about supporting student instead of policing and focusing on punitive measures whilst making sure the language is not gender biased. Students were given chance to feedback, as well. Things for which feedback was provided and now removed from the guidelines:

4.4.1. Midriff

4.4.2. Undergarment

4.4.3. These are not issues today and don't come up often. But this is an accurate reflection of what staff and student feel like it should be.

4.4.4. Q: who is this imposed against, boys or girls?

- 4.4.5. A: Staff feel there is no imposing going on, rather than education. So, the idea is to not make it gender specific.
No one has been shamed or suspended over violating dress code and some staff felt uncomfortable discussing it in the past. Hence, it was felt it should be removed.
A survey will be sent out about removal of these words to parents.
Teachers and student have already been surveyed.
- 4.4.6. Q: Is dress code on school website and should it be?
- 4.4.7. A: Under code of conduct (under about). Been asked to be taken out of there.
- 4.4.8. Q: Why is this not a district level decision instead of school level decision?
- 4.4.9. A: It's about a sense of autonomy. BC as an education system formulate things that suites communities. For instance, depending on community, the grade 8 leaving ceremony's announcement and communication could be different.
- 4.4.10. Q: Is Code of conduct in agendas?
- 4.4.11. A: There are no agendas. But when school starts, it's propagated through Microsoft Teams and Microsoft Forms.

5. Ongoing Business:

- 5.1. Principal's Report - Andrew Graham
- 5.1.1. Heading to Spring break.
- 5.1.2. Report will be distributed after spring break and all will be uploaded to "myedbc"
- 5.1.3. Government provided antigen covid tests and distributed
- 5.1.4. With the invasion of Ukraine, had a chat with staff on how to handle it. It's handled the same way it's handled today in, for example, social studies. We don't prevent people talking about it and staff are trained to speak about facts and not opinions.
- 5.1.5. Staff are trained to be mindful and council children if needed
- 5.1.6. Protocols:
- 5.1.6.3. Ministry of education along with health authorities will be updating school how to proceed in the last trimester.
- 5.1.6.4. Currently we can't have full school attendance within capacity limit. District has asked school to hold on until after spring limit.
- 5.1.6.5. No more zones
- 5.1.6.6. There will be volleyball nets
- 5.1.6.7. Students are given their lockers back
- 5.1.6.8. Hoping to have assemblies in new year
- 5.1.6.9. Drama has been scaled back because their casts and members were getting sick often (including set design and lights). So, the plan is to have school performances for children and the next day, if allowed, grade 5 to come and watch. There could be a second matinee for some parents (probably limited to parent of kids involved).
- 5.1.6.10. Right in middle of articulation (transference of information about grad 5 and 8).

- 5.2. Vice Principal's Report – Ian Robertson
 - 5.2.1. Equipment's out there and used and well received. Yayyy!
 - 5.2.2. Students are appreciative of hoodies
 - 5.2.3. Lockers are back but regulated for all grades.
 - 5.2.4. Articulation for grade 5 will probably be in person
 - 5.2.5. Learning Survey for grade 7 students and their parents. This is done in class and it's not a test. It's about connection to schools, activities in school and a few open-ended questions. This help province for better programming.
 - 5.2.6. Athletics and basketball have been going on
 - 5.2.7. After spring break perhaps badminton and track and field.
- 5.3. Executive Reports:
 - 5.3.1. Chair – Mike van der Velden
 - 5.3.1.3. Last meeting there was a call about staff appreciation. Mike will send out something about asking parent to volunteer.
 - 5.3.2. Treasurer – Jennifer Jarvis - Approve Budget for 2021/2022 and grant status
 - 5.3.2.3. P&L – Please see the PDF document attached to the minutes
 - 5.3.3. DPAC - Natalie Wang
 - 5.3.3.3. Not present, no update was sent
- 5.4. Mail and Communications
 - 5.4.1. BCCPAC
 - 5.4.1.3. No update
 - 5.4.2. Alliance Française
 - 5.4.2.3. No update
- 5.5. Review correspondence
 - 5.5.1. No update

6. **Adjournment**

- 6.1. Next PAC Meeting: Monday, April 4, 2022. Maple Creek Library. **In Person!**

Move to adjourn by Mike van der Velden, seconded by Amir Keibi, no objection

Attendance:

Mike van der Velden
Jennifer Jarvis
Amir Keibi
Leah Zille
Rhea Del Vecchio
Rajat Khera
Navid Mohammadi
Hossein Ghodrati
Remy Nazemi
Amanda Stock