

École Mission Secondary PAC Meeting Minutes

General Meeting

October 20th, 2021

Meeting Commences: 7:00pm

In Attendance: Katrina Lane, Chris Bucholz, Lori McComish, Simone Walker, Christina Clark, Sheneal Anthony, Melissa Crapo, Laurinda Barnard

Admin: Jim Pearce

Adopt Agenda: First: Lori
Second: Simone

Approval Minutes: First: Lori
Second: Simone

Principal's Report:

- a. District does not have enough TOCs which is causing anxiety and stress. MSS admin has been teaching every day. MSS does not have special ed teachers and are short two counsellors. Hopefully two new people are coming to special ed and MSS is still trying to get more counsellors. MSS has six retired teachers coming every day to TOC. District is looking at hiring uncertified people to teach.
- b. Interims will be out to families by the end of the month. If you don't receive your child's interim report, please contact Mr. Pearce. Check My Mark is back and being used by some teachers.
- c. First term cut off is first week November.
- d. Report cards will be available on MyEd November 25. Info about conferences will be coming soon.
- e. Sports: all sports teams are up and running now.
- f. Remembrance Day play will be shown to students online during their second block on November 9th. Contact Becky Meyer if you want the link.
- g. Attendance has been a problem this year. Parental support is needed and appreciated. No online option is available for students who are absent.
- h. Grade 10 students completed a math inventory the first week of school. MSS staff wanted to see where grade 10 strengths and weaknesses are in mathematics in order to support them through high school; lots of gaps were recognized. Results will be shared with staff, students, and parents. Going forward, it is the hope this inventory will be completed at the grade 9 level.
- i. MSS two-year goals: Critical Thinking and Assessment. Growth plan and Pro-D opportunities for staff have focused on these topics.
- j. Summit: all teachers are in place.
- k. Parents are required to wear masks when watching MSS sporting events.

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New Business

- a. Bank Signers: PAC is looking for at least one more executive member to agree to be a bank signer.
- b. PAC Scholarships: a working committee was created to update the Scholarship Application. Thank you Lori McComish, Melissa Crapo, Simone Walker, Laurinda Barnard and Katrina Lane for volunteering. The group will meet, discuss how to update the application, and bring their suggestions to the January PAC meeting.

Old Business: none

Committee reports and correspondence

- a. **Correspondence (PAC email):** none
- b. Treasurer's report:
 - i. Gaming Account Balance \$30, 211.62.
 - ii. Gaming Grant of \$23, 840 was deposited into gaming account.
 - iii. Money on hold: \$5000 unclaimed scholarships, \$1500 Ian Tyson presentation
- c. DPAC report
 - i. Last meeting was October 18th.
 - ii. Pop-up vaccine clinics have been very successful.
 - iii. There has been no decision on whether a COVID vaccine mandate will be adopted in Mission school district for staff. Staff are not required to disclose if they have received COVID vaccines.
 - iv. There was a functional closure at Windebank Elementary.
 - v. TOC shortages are concerning. District is looking at hiring non-certified teachers to TOC. Lots of retired teachers have been hired to TOC, but many are not wanting to work because of virus.
 - vi. Anti-racism workshop on November 1st.
 - vii. District has shortages in noon hour supervisors.
 - viii. DPAC chairs had meeting with deputy health minister and minister of education. Video is available to watch.
 - ix. DPAC is looking at bringing in a presenter in the spring. If you have any ideas/suggestions, please send them to DPAC.
 - x. AGM held: all executive positions have been filled.
- d. Dry Grad Report: next meeting Wednesday, October 27th 7:00pm in MSS library.

Questions/Discussions

Next PAC Meeting: November 17th, 2021 6:00pm at MSS (Gaming Grant Meeting)

Meeting Adjourned: 8:04pm