



The Central Okanagan Parent Advisory Council (COPAC)
The Umbrella Organization of Parent Advisory Councils in School District #23
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MINUTES

Date of Meeting: Monday Jun 7 2021

Location: By Zoom

Members Present:

Schools Represented:

AME		ASM		BHE		BGE	X	BME	X	CAS	X	CTE		CLE	X	DRE		DWE	X
ELE		GPE	X	GME	X	GRE		HGE		HRE		MJE		NGE		OTS		PLE	
PSE		PGE		QGE		RAY		RVE		RLE		SLE	X	SKE		SRE	X	SVE	
WAT	X	CNB	X	DRK		GMS		KLO	X	RMS		SMS		GESS		KSS	X	MBSS	X
OKM		RSS	X	CMS															

Executive Present:

Cherylee M.(President), Janet D.(Treasurer), Jeremy J. (Member at Large), Lahine F. (Member at Large), Nicole G.(Member at Large)

BCCPAC: Sarah Shakespeare, Vice President BCCPAC

District Staff:

Kevin Kaardal, Superintendent; Terry Beaudry, Deputy Superintendent

Trustee:

District Trustees: Moyra Baxter,

COTA:

Susan Bauhart

Guests:

Purpose: General Meeting

Distribution: Public

Written By: Roseanne K.

Meeting Guidelines and Agreements

- Seek first to understand, then to be understood
- Demonstrate mutual respect: respect people and ideas. Such respect does not necessarily represent agreement. Everyone has a voice.
- Be confidential and use discretion
- Respect everyone's time. Limit discussion to that which is on the agenda, add additional items to the end of the agenda to be discussed if there is time.
- This meeting is not a venue to discuss specific individuals, schools or situations. Please contact the President directly with any concerns of this nature

1.0 Call to Order

7:03PM – Call to Order

Called By: Cherylee Morrison (President)

Cherylee addressed the tragedies of KSS & the remains of the residential schools.

Valerie from KSS thanks everyone for all the support for the KSS community after the tragedy of the lives lost.

2.0 Establish Quorum

Nicole G and Cherylee M confirmed quorum for meeting at 13 voting members present

3.0 Approve the Agenda

1st by Janet D. (Treasurer)

2nd by Jeremy (Belgo)

4.0 Adoption of Minutes from: Date of Last Meeting: May 7, 2021

1st by Nicola B (CLE)

2nd by Jeanie (BME)

5.0 COPAC Community/Connections

Kong Coo (GPE) – commented about the impact about tearing down the school to build high school. Affects many families in a negative way and worries that this decision has created barriers to having fair education available to all children. Stated that the decision was made without consultation. Requested that the decision be looked at again.

Serena (SLE, CNB) – agrees with sentiments from Kong. Feedback from parent community states the same sentiments as well.

Moyra Baxter – Agrees with the statements, and explained that all items were agonized over before a decision was made. The district is very aware of the challenges this decision has made. However there was no land available to build a new secondary school, therefore this difficult decision was made because there was space to make changes within the Elementary school level. The city of West Kelowna has no land they wish to sell. Actively looking for solutions for any problems this has created.

5.1 Community Updates

No updates

5.2 BCCPAC Updates

Parent education conference in May, online. Hoping for in-person next year. Go onto BCCPAC website to view different presenters, PDFs & more information. If parents wish to be on email list for anything from BCCPAC, please email info@bccpac.bc.ca.

6.0 SD23 INFORMATION

6.1 Trustee Report

Decisions have been made regarding French Immersion. Plan to consult with FI parents in September to get consensus of the best solution for elementary, middle & secondary school options. Will also be discussing catchment areas for schools. Many schools in the school district are experiencing significant overcrowding so decisions will need to be made.

6.2 Superintendent (or designate) Report

Thanks all CoPAC members and school trustees for the work they have put into the district. Currently waiting to know if the strategic plan & budget is approved. In Autumn, the board needs to approve senior management work plan. Student achievement report will be done in June board meeting.

Our district did amazing work while working during such a challenging time due to Covid-19 Pandemic. Thank you to all the educators, administrators & supports who have worked so diligently to ensure a very successful year in spite of all the challenges.

Will continue to follow the guidance from the local health authority/medical officers going forward.

(Terry Beaudry: made note that 6 indigenous graduation ceremonies coming up.)

6.3 COTA

Our thoughts have been with the KSS community & the Indigenous community. The teachers have all worked so hard this year to make a successful year. We thank all the support from parents over such a challenging time. Trustee Bi-Elections are coming up – parents please learn about the candidates & vote. Please contact us at COTA office with any questions.

7.0 District Committees

7.1 Safe Schools Committee

No updates

7.2 Human Rights Committee

No updates

7.3 Public Education Awareness Committee

Last meeting was May 25 – board of education is leading an advocacy campaign of public awareness to help build more spaces in schools. Please visit website for more information. Next meeting is September 28, 2021.

7.4 Early Years Partnership Committee

No updates

7.5 Health Promoting School

Food Bank attended and provided a report. They really appreciate all food drives that come through schools, would like to see this happen more and will happily provide more support for any events at any school.

Health Supporting Schools is recreating website to become more incumbent of all information regarding nutrition, exercise, mental health, vaping, etc.

7.6 Indigenous Education

Last meeting was June 1. Recruiting for VP of Indigenous Education. Currently celebrating 230 Indigenous graduates this year.

7.7 Partners Inclusive Education

Looking for input about topics for next school year. Please visit our Facebook page.

8.0 Board Committees

8.1 Education and Student Services

No updates

8.2 Public Board Meeting

No updates

8.3 Planning and Facilities Committee

No updates

8.4 Finance and Audit Committee

No updates

8.5 Policy Committee

No updates

9.0 Officers Reports

9.1 President – Cherylee M.

July 1 new executive begins.

9.2 Vice President – Vivian E.

Not in attendance

9.3 Treasurer – Janet D.

Account Balances (As of June 8th)

General - \$16,724.00

Gaming - \$7,231.72

Grade 5 - \$1,168.60

Other Info:

- There are no fundraiser breakdowns for the school year 20/21. This is mainly due to the difficulty in running fundraiser with the pandemic ongoing. SRE PAC had enough funds for this year not to worry about raising money for this year.

- Money still to come out of the accounts for the swing set/field enhancement that has been approved on the primary side of the school. This project has started and is ongoing. The amount approved for this is \$19000.

9.4 Secretary – Lisa F.

Not in attendance

9.5 Member at Large – Lahine F.

June 17 – White Hatter presentation. Keep watching COPAC page for more info.

9.6 Member at Large – Nicole G.

No update

9.7 Member at Large - Jeremy J.

Will be available to help with webpage/etc. in the new year even though stepping down.

10. Resolutions

11. 2021/22 Executive Elections

Jammie & Roseanne are nomination committee.

President:

- Simon A. (DWE) has accepted & acclaimed the nomination of president for COPAC.

Vice President:

- No nominations or acceptances

Treasurer:

- Susan D. (MBSS) has been awarded the position by acclamation.

Secretary:

- Roseanne K. (DWE) accepted & acclaimed the role of secretary for CoPAC at the May meeting.

Member at Large:

- Deannie Z. (Raemer) acclaimed Member at Large at the May meeting.
- Nicola B. (CLE) acclaimed Member at Large at the May meeting.
- Sareena (CNB) acclaimed Member at Large tonight.

Nominations for unfilled positions to be added onto agenda for next meeting.

Roseanne K motions to dissolve the nominations email account and digital forms. Jeremy to dissolve.

Executive meeting Tuesday, September 7, 6:30pm.

12.0 Motion to Adjourn, , Cherylee Morrison

Next meeting – Monday, September 13 7:00pm - via Zoom