

MBSS PAC Meeting Minutes October 26, 2020

Attendees: Susan Derickson (president), Ann Sutherland (vice president), Laura Sharun (treasurer), Kieran Skerlec (secretary), Scott Sieben, Chantelle Desrosiers, Michelle Martineau, Rebecca Ashley

The meeting was held via Zoom.

Approval of September minutes and October agenda – Ann, 2nd by Susan

Welcome new members Michelle and Rebecca.

1. Reports:

Principal's report:

- Quarter 1 ends November 13th.
- Keeping kids safe continues to be a focus among staff, kids are being respectful as staff act as “mask police”. The kids are being reminded about social distancing and are being asked to go straight to class when they are in the school.
- Covid cases have been reported at Ecole De L’Anse-Au-Sable (15 cases) and KSS (2 cases). Interior Health is giving directive at both schools. Ecole De L’Anse-Au-Sable is closed for 10 days. (Cases are now also at St. Joseph's and Aberdeen hall)
- Counseling staff are starting post-secondary prep presentations for the grade 12 students. Information can be found in the counselling page on our school website.
- Field trips for Outdoor Ed, and other academies can occur if busing is available. Other curricular field trips are being postponed until after Christmas, at least.
- We will not be holding an assembly for Remembrance Day, instead we will host a Zoom ceremony with guest Veterans and speakers. We also have been approached by a Care Home in Kelowna, and they will be "ZOOMing" into our Ceremony, otherwise they would not be holding one. We have postcards designed by our students that will be sent to veterans and current Canadian Armed Forces personnel.
- Literacy and Numeracy Assessment begin next week for grade 10 students and grade 11 or 12 students who have yet to write these government requirements. They will run again in February. Arrangements will be made for students who are not in English or Math during these quarters.
- November 4th is “Take your kid to work” day for grade 9 students. Grade 9's have three options: a.) go to work with their parents; b.) stay home and do written work; or c.) be involved in class TYKTW day activities.
- Please see Castanet.net: "Boucherie Art Students Busy" for an article on 5 Art students (Mrs. Emmond) who designed and painted a mural for the Art Gallery's Exhibit and on Ethan Audette, who is sending a painting to the Prime Minister.

Treasurer's report:

- We have received our gaming grant funds in the amount of \$30,480.00. Our Gaming Account balance is \$35,962.45
- We are anticipating a donation of \$500 from the Royal Canadian Legion. Pending this, our General Account balance will be \$1036.91
- The budgeted Dry Grad allotment of \$2000 is pending whatever Dry Grad / Grad activities that may happen
- COBBS bursaries and fees need to be addressed with BCCOPAC and COBBS to ensure we can provide the funds that we would like to, in accordance with the restrictions that are in place in regard to where the funds can come from.
- COBBS payments were due Nov 25th last year...Susan will check on the deadline for this year.
- The Budget approval will be tabled until next meeting pending clarification on the COBSS payments.
- We hope to have the staff wish list for review for next meeting.

Other business:

- Last year's Band trip to Disneyland (to play in the band) was cancelled due to Covid. Band families are still waiting on an insurance claim for a refund. Mr. Sieben and Mr. Perry are still working on the claim with the insurance company and the booking agency. Mr. Sieben will arrange to have a notice sent to the band families as to the status of this situation.
- Susan attended the October COPAC and was able to obtain access to the Zoom license to facilitate the rest of our PAC meeting.
- A good deal of information is available at the COPAC meetings. A point of interest included the Farm to School program. Anyone interested can find more information at farmtoschool.bc.ca
- The next COPAC meeting is November 2nd @ 7pm, Ann will plan to attend.
- Revisions of our Constitution and By-Laws – Susan, Kieran and Chantelle will arrange to go through the 2003 documents and update. Rebecca partook in updating the most recent constitution at CNB in 2019 and can provide us with some support. The main recommendation is to keep the Constitution and the By-Laws as separate document.
- Future meeting dates will be Nov 23rd, Dec 14th, Jan 25th, Feb 22nd, Mar 29th, May 31st and June 14th. We will plan to hold these meetings via Zoom.

Meeting adjourned @ 7:45pm

Our next meeting will be on Monday November 23rd at 6:30pm via Zoom. We are looking for new PAC Members!