

MBSS PAC Meeting Minutes September 16, 2019

Attendees: Candace McKinnon (President), Laura Sharun (Secretary), Kieran Skerlec, Chantelle DeRosiers, Scott Sieben, (Principal), Ann Sutherland, Kelly Armstrong, Sue Holroyd.

Meeting called to order at 6:02pm.

1. Agenda approved by Laura, seconded by Kieran.
2. Approval of June minutes by Susan, seconded by Kieran.
3. Reports:

Treasurer's report:

- Candace gave a brief overview of the budget for the new attendees. The budget will be approved in October.
- Teachers are working on their wish lists for funding requests. Approval from the PAC will be in November.
- Discussion on COBBS bursary fees – we need to keep a balance in the account to cover these fees based on the number of bursaries given out.

Principal's report:

- 1560 students currently at the school, that is up from last year. Approximately 25% are students that are new to the school. A discussion was held about better communication of clubs, schedules, sports events etc. for new students/parents.
- 15 new teachers; 12 new CEA's; 1 new Indigenous advocate. There are currently 160 staff.
- The theme for the school year is "Music Unites".
- The culinary arts program is no longer running so the space is being utilized for Foods classes. The school is also working on a possible trades sampler program with Okanagan College as we have the equipment already in place.
- Homework Club starting up at noon. CEA's will be available to assist students.
- Always looking for parent feedback!

4. Upcoming Events:

- A discussion was had about dry grad.
- Update on school sports. Information can be found in the Bear Tracks Newsletter or Bear Necessities on the website daily. You can follow the school on Instagram #mbssbears.

5. Other business:

- Coordinate PAC meetings with GMS/CNB to allow parents to be able to attend meetings at both schools if they wish. MBSS PAC meetings will now be held on the 4th Monday of each month at 5:45pm.
- Staff appreciation/treat day – we will look at having parents on the PAC do some baking and we will ask other parents to as well. Looking at either side of spring break for this.
- We are looking at updating the PAC Constitution & Bylaws.
- Elections for the PAC positions will be held at the next meeting.

Next Meeting Monday October 28th at 5:45pm in the library. Meeting adjourned at 7:30pm.