

Brooks PAC Meeting Minutes  
September 10, 2019, Brooks Library  
7pm

Present: Kate Boyd; Kim Pigatto; Michelle Capling; Jen Frost; Karen Kamon; Lilia Cardoso Gould; Michelle Kirk; Bill Rounis

Minutes from May 14<sup>th</sup> approved

Agenda: approved

Correspondence: \$1500 cheque received from Kiwanis to be put towards food programs.

Treasurer's Report – Kim Pigatto:

Gaming: \$3531.86; year-end summary and application for this year's grant submitted; funds usually arrive in October.

General: \$10,982.58; this account is showing as 'inactive' which will be investigated to see if this means no service fees are payable.

New Business:

Election of new Executive members:

Chair – Kate Boyd will continue in this role

Treasurer – Michelle Kirk

Secretary – Lilia Cardoso Gould

DPAC - Jen Frost / Karen Kamon will continue as our reps

Thanks to these women for stepping up!

Funding requests:

Bill notes he advised teachers to submit their wish lists at the start of the year and to prioritize items on the list. PAC has to consider when reviewing these requests that gaming funds for this year are not yet in our account and we cannot be certain how much we will receive.

Chris Pritchard – Senior Core - \$5000 for food program (\$2500/semester) - \$2000 approved at this time; please re-submit for further assistance later in the year.

Cam Miller – Girl's Volleyball - \$1500 for uniforms – approved

Chris Bratseth – Explore Program - \$4700 (\$2500 for food; \$1200 for work experience appropriate clothing; \$1000 for 2 cameras) - \$1000 for food approved, please re-submit later in the year for further food assistance; other items tabled - PAC invites Chris to attend a meeting to elaborate on the remaining requests in order to make a decision.

Darren Bennett – Digital Media - \$8731.96 (\$5000 for start-up cost of clothing business; \$3731.96 for camera equipment) – tabled – PAC invites Darren to attend a meeting to elaborate on these requests in order to make a decision.

#### Principal's Report – Bill Rounis

Student numbers are up; we have the largest group of Grade 8's this year; there are 25 new senior students; 44 international students arrived from China. This resulted in 1.75 more teachers hired.

Staffing: Ms. Larkin is new in counselling department; Ms. Doyle has taken on the International School from Ms. Behan; Rod Perreault has moved to Aboriginal Education with SD47 so Bill has taken on his portfolio; interviews are taking place for a second VP; Chris Pritchard has taken over Core Program from Diane Green; two new special ed. teachers were hired; Lindsay Carlos is hired as the Family School Liaison Worker in an outreach capacity for offsite students.

Programming: Chris Bratseth is running a new outreach program out of the soccer clubhouse which teaches life skills, academics and provides work experience for students who left school, getting good feedback from participants and has brought 12 students back to school programming.

Vaping has become an epidemic; there is lots of discussion around how to handle this issue; a big part is educating parents, making them aware of what devices look like, etc. Townsite neighbours have already been reporting students roaming off campus.

Bill is in discussions with Canadian Tire Jumpstart Program to provide funding to install playground equipment on campus; we need to raise \$50,000 and they will match.

Next meeting: 7pm Tuesday, October 8<sup>th</sup>, 2019 @ Brooks Conference Room (upstairs, next to main office)

Adjourned 8:10pm