

**Mount Sentinel P.A.C. Meeting**  
**Monday Oct. 16th, 2023**  
**@ Mt. Sentinel Library**

**In Attendance:**

Shellie Maloff ( Principal ) Ryan McAllistar ( Vice Principal) Natalia Nazaroff  
Avairy Meyer Deana Postnikoff Holly Mackie Jennifer Perpick Michelle Harris  
Kynba Trickey Mia Gardiner Sol Trickey

1. **Welcome/Call to order** by Chair Michelle Harris at 6:47pm

2. **SD8 Acknowledgment of Traditional Territory**

- **“We acknowledge, respect and honor the First Nations on whose traditional territories the Kootenay Lake School District operates and all Aboriginal people residing in the boundaries of School District #8”**

3. **Special Guest-** Sharon Nazaroff School Trustee SD8, not available

4. **Introductions** - were done at the AGM prior to the PAC meeting

5. **Additions to Agenda**

- Suggestion for making the meetings more accessible to parents by finding the technology to have people join via Zoom etc,
- Shellie Maloff will speak with Danny Leeming to see if he has any suggestions

6. **Adoption of September Minutes**

- Motioned by Holly, 2nd by Avairy, Approved

7. **Principals Report** - Shellie Maloff

- Please see attachment for report

8. **Chair/Vice Chair Report** - Michelle Harris (Chair) Mia Gardiner (Vice Chair)

- Nothing to report

9. **Treasurer Report** - Deana Postnikoff (outgoing)

- General Account \$901.84
- Gaming Account \$3874.37
- 1 cheque for \$100.00 to Taghum Shell to balance amount owing for PPTK
- Have received the MSSS PACs 2022/2023 gaming grant for \$5400.00 ,to be deposited
- There was \$2300.00 that had been allocated to Joe last year for team uniforms, Joe finally spent \$1567.75 of this for some uniforms, and will use the rest for other teams
- Question put forth as to whether hot lunch was subsidized by PAC, it is not. Shellie will be applying for a grant for hot lunch of approximately \$7000.00

#### **10. Secretaries Report-** Jennifer Perpick

- Nothing to report

#### **11. DPAC Report -** Natalia Nazaroff

- DPACs AGM is scheduled for 5:30 Thursday, Oct 19, 2023 via Zoom
- DPAC went over their policy manual to make people aware of what DPAC does, some people were bringing issues to DPAC that DPAC was unable to deal with as per policies
- Discussion of "Say Dyslexia" and lobbying the MOE for funding
- Next agenda for DPAC includes NO SPACE FOR HATE
- Suggestion: DPAC could look at hiring Micha ? for the Parent Engagement Sessions for SOGI
- Shellie Maloff asked whether DPAC was able to put any funding toward technology for the Family of Schools, ie: technology that would assist making PAC meetings at all schools accessible via Zoom etc.

#### **12. New Business**

- No Space For Hate in Our Schools- A letter from VDPAC is looking for support from DPACs in BC. Many DPACs have already signed. Natalia read the statement out loud.
- Sol Trickey expressed concern over some wording within the statement, saying it feels like it creates some exclusivity, and danger and does not leave space for kids that may mis-speak. Everyone agrees.
- Shellie points out that schools are a place of learning, and kids need to be able to learn how to speak about SOGI in a healthy, supportive environment.
- We agree our response should be that we support the statement, but not the specific line within the statement.
- Michelle Harris (Chair) calls a vote
- Any in favor of supporting the statement as is? No
- Any opposed to supporting the statement as written? All
- " We agree with the sentiment of inclusiveness, but we cannot support the way it is written"
- Mia Gardiner (Vice Chair) suggests we propose it to be rewritten

#### **13. Meeting Adjourned @ 8:15**

All parents and guardians are welcome to join PACs next meeting  
Nov. 6, 2023, 6:30 pm in the MSSS library.