

Minutes

Rockridge Secondary Parent Advisory Council (RSPAC)

Held: Wednesday 28th September, 2016 in the School Library

8.35am Welcome and Introductions – Carol Fraser

The Vice-Chair, Carol Fraser, welcomed everyone and asked for a motion to accept the Agenda of the Meeting. After discussion, upon motion duly made and seconded it was resolved that the Agenda be accepted, as presented.

Carol Fraser reported that Lynne Bespflug had resigned from her position as PAC Chair as her daughter had moved schools. She then introduced and welcomed the New PAC Chair Krista Cooper, Lesley Miller as DPAC Representative and Lisa Richardson to the Scholarship Committee.

8.40 am Treasurer’s Report – Darius Matheson

Darius reviewed the latest RSPAC Financial Report.

Expenditures were as follows:

- Pancake Breakfast \$462 versus a budget of \$1,000
- Welcome Back Coffee \$12 versus a budget of \$100
- Gift for outgoing PAC Chair of \$50
- Deposit for October Speaker Terry Small of \$250

The Gaming Grant of approximately \$18,000 should be received in early October.

8.45 am Principal’s Report - Jeanette Laursoo

The Principal provided a report - see attached for more details, highlights as follows:

- Online Payment of School Fees (not including school trips) – coming soon
- Grade 8 Ravens Base Camp - 6th September
- Grade 8 Cheakamus Camp off site - 16th September
- Grade 8 Assembly – Jesse Miller gave a presentation around Social Media
- Grade 8 and 10 Information Evenings for Parents - September
- Upcoming Events
 - Canadian University Event – 28th September
 - Grade 12 Parent Information Evening – 4th October
 - Grade 8/9 Clubs Day – 6th October
- G8-10 Honour Roll – the Principal outlined changes to the Honour Roll
- K-9 - Full Transition to new Curriculum – September 2016
- G10-12 – Draft curriculum ready with full implementation September 2017, although changes to Provincial Exams will be earlier

9.00 am Youth Worker Presentation – Leanne Warner

The Rockridge Youth Worker, Leanne Warner gave a presentation on her mandate and role - see attached presentation for more details. She can be reached at lwarner@wvschools.ca

9.20 am P2P Parent Social Group - Keelin Costello

Keelin Costello gave a presentation on the Rockridge Parent Social Group (P2P) which organizes various social activities for parents to connect throughout the school year. These include: monthly coffee mornings, a book club, hiking trips and special events such as the Welcome Coffee and Christmas Cookie Exchange.

The Group would love to have more volunteers join their small committee. Please email parent2parentkeelin@gmail.com for more information on joining the committee or to be added to the distribution list for upcoming events.

9.30 am New Business

Carol Fraser noted the upcoming PAC Speakers:

- October 18th - Terry Small – Learning to Study with your Brain in Mind
- October 26th Justin Davis – Neuroscience and the Teenage Brain
- November 23 – Chris Kennedy – District Superintendent

The PAC is looking for volunteers and asked interested parents to sign up at the end of the meeting or email ropac@wvschools.ca.

9.35 am Adjournment

Next Meeting:

Wednesday 26 October in the School Library. The Guest Speaker will be Justin Davis on the topic of Neuroscience and the Teenage Brain.