

CMS PAC Meeting Minutes

Monday October 16th in person

CALL TO ORDER @ 7:01 pm

Welcome & introductions – Pac would like to acknowledge that we are gathering today on the unceded territory of the Sto Lo people.

In attendance: Andrew, Polly, Deb, Karen, Stephanie, Stacey, Jen, Erin, Diana, Jamie

Adoption of the agenda – Karen approved the agenda, Deb seconded

September meeting minutes – approved by Deb, seconded by Jamie

REPORTS:

Principal's report (see attached) - extra notes the old Bookroom is now a sensory room.

Treasurer report – Deb has found the cheques, and stale dated checks from the school district which will be reissued (total of \$818.00) Gaming grant was deposited (\$12,620.00). Gaming grant fund Proposal letter was reviewed, suggestions to add any estimates/quotes/prioritized order. Deb will make changes and then send out ASAP as the deadline for submissions is OCT 30th @ 3pm.

DPAC report – Blanket exercise happened Oct 11,

Pac Café will happen Oct 25th at 6 pm – open to all parents

Anyone can attend the district board meetings on tuesdays and the framework for enhanced student learning. Go to board of trustees web page for more details

School board liaison for CMS is Heather Mahhs

Is CMS getting Breakfast club of Canada grant – YES! And several others. It has changed a bit this year with it being the Feeding futures grant – which limits the at home help CMS can give (no hampers, GC etc)

Several DPAC committee spaces available – volunteers all welcome

Diana was advised to tell admin that 2 air conditioning units per portable are available based ONLY by advocacy by principals- bulk order being ordered and installed by spring!

Cyber bullying – DPAC said to get school PACs to get white hatter as is less expensive than for DPAC. CMS PAC and admin will look into other options.

Diana was asked to ask our PAC and school - What needs to be put in place for parents to feel like they are being heard and have a voice? What are some barriers that parents face when talking to schools or pac? Answers from those present tonight – come to PAC meetings! Open communication with teachers – email them to introduce yourself. Knowing who to talk to.

NEW BUSINESS: Proposed Budget reviewed. Removed Brandon Barch Book Club (\$300.00) Added \$300.00 for Pac meeting food/supplies.

Stephanie motioned to accept the proposed budget; Diana seconded. All approved.

ADJOURNMENT: 8:11pm

NEXT MEETING: Monday November 20th, 2023 @7pm IN PERSON

Principal's Report:

October Happenings:

Terry Fox Run: Our school wide Terry Fox Run was a great success. We had whole school participation, with many students running in the neighborhood and in the back field. Thanks to Stacey for organizing this successful event.

Truth and Reconciliation: • Indigenous Learning Week: • Mr. Zullo put together an incredible assembly with guest speakers, drummers and dancers. Our students and staff were privileged to hear from local Indigenous leaders and witness the singing, drumming and dancing of the Pilalt Warriors. Mr. Zullo also helped set our learning intentions for the week.

• 90 Day Cycle: • Our 90 Day Cycle helps focus are staff vision and goals part of our commitment to Truth and Reconciliation. • Staff Meetings: • During each staff meeting we are making time to reflect on the First Peoples' Principles of Learning. Each staff meeting will also have an Indigenous Learning Lesson and update. •

Oct. 6th Pro D • Our entire district assembled at the Chilliwack Coliseum on Oct. 6th. It was an amazing day of learning from leaders Len Pierre, Steven Point and Denise Augustine. We also learned about Canada's past/truth from Dr. Keith Carlson. To end the day we heard from local Chiefs Derek Epp, Mark Point, Lara MussellSavage, and David Jimmie. A huge thank you to the organizing committee.

Middle Years Project: Many of our staff attended the Leyton Schnellert presentation at the Chilliwack Cultural Centre. CMS had the best representation of all middle schools! The next day, many of our staff were able to work directly with Leyton on competency-based unit planning. The feedback from staff was very positive and we look forward to welcoming Leyton back in November.

Community Walkway: The fencing has started to close in the community path. We believe this will help members of our community see the delineation between school and public property.

Drill Week: We have begun our drill week practicing Hold and Secure Drill today. We will be holding the rest of our drills this week.

Athletics & Clubs: Athletics are up and running with boys and girls volleyball, cross country and boys soccer. We are super thankful for the coaches who have volunteered their time. Basketball sign up for Gr. 7 & 8 boys and girls is also taking place. We continue our partnership with Chilliwack Community Services who are offering daily club activities. We also have the after-school Maker and Board Game

clubs up and running. It's a great opportunity for our students and staff to make connections outside of the classroom. Hallowe'en Fun: We have a Spirit Week coming up along with some fun events hosted by our Leadership class. Classes are taking part in a door decorating contest. There will be a haunted house, costume contest, kidnap mystery and bake sales. Thanks to Ms. Gibson and the Leadership Class for bringing the fun