

NISS PAC Meeting Minutes:

Meeting Date: May 19, 2021

Attendance: Stacia Johnson, Shelley Frost, Bonnie Barrett, Lawrie Garrett, Leighton Wishart, Christina Mardell, Melody Watson, Megan Dickinson, Dian Turgeon

Call to Order: 6:01 pm

Additions to the Agenda: N/A

Acceptance of the Agenda (with additions): Shelley Frost 1st

Approval of Minutes from Jan 20, 2021: Melody Watson 1st – Bonnie Barrett 2nd

Reports:

1. Principal's Report:

- a) Science rooms are up and running. The official opening is Jun 1, 2021. The 3 classes, Stacia and Darby Gilderslieve to do a red ribbon ceremony with Covid friendly food to give out.
- b) The Art class made a thank you card for PAC for the silk screening kit.
- c) Rena Sweeney and Stacia Johnson are switching schools in September.

2. Chair Report:

- a) N/A

3. School Trustee:

- a) Lawrie attended the presentation How to Talk to Your Kids About Porn? He said it was a very good presentation.
- b) There is a school board meeting on May 10, 2021. They will be changing some policies.
- c) Stacia is going to Eagle View Elementary, Jillian Walkus is going to PHSS and Rena Sweeney will be going to NISS in September. They will interview for the Vice Principal at Sunset. Stephanie Boal is the Principal for Sunset and Ben Donoghue is the Vice Principal at NISS.
- d) The Superintendent, Carol Robinson, is leaving. The school board will be working with a consulting firm to fill the spot.
- e) Whale watching tours have been approved for the Grade 12s with Mackay Whale Watching.
- f) Need to look at the policy of RCMP interviewing students during school hours and what that looks like. Need feedback on a few questions. There is a problem with the wording.

4. Treasurer's Report:

- a) The Gaming account balance is \$3,267.90.
- b) The balance in the general acct is \$43.95
- c) All cheques have cleared the account.

5. DPAC Report:

- a) They have extra money as there has been no travel so they will fund the Zoom presentation, How to Talk to Your Kids about Porn on May 27. Melissa will send the link for people to sign up. They have purchased some workbooks for the workshop. How will it be advertised? NISS will send out the info to the parents.
- b) The AGM was at the beginning of May. They voted to have another meeting as the meeting wasn't long enough to discuss by-laws, etc.

6. Old Business:

- a) The new gym equipment is in use and the water fountain up in the shop area has been installed.

New Business:

- a) Resident Attraction & Retention Program – Christina Macdonald to reach out. Families need to have things to check off their list to have here to live, ie a coffee shop, daycare, education. Trying to recruit people to come here to live.
- b) Need to touch base with the school board. It needs to be connected. Retired teachers that come back and bump young teachers. How do we keep young teachers here?
- c) There is a new request for new white boards and stools in the science labs area. Digital items will be taken care of by the district. It will be \$9000 for 54 stools. Bonnie put a motion on the table give \$1500 to support the school for some stools. Shelley Frost 1st and Bonnie Barrett 2nd.

Parent's Corner:

CM, DT, MD, MW, – N/A

SF and BB – The school needs to look for a new PAC executive for September.

Next PAC Meeting: June 16, 2021 @ 6:00pm

Adjournment: 6:32 pm