

Springvalley Middle School PAC Meeting

Minutes

Date: September 18, 2023

Location: SMS Library

Called to order 6:24pm

1. Welcome & Introductions:

- a. Thomas Gruenenwald, Jasmeet Virk, Janelle Schultz, Breanna Kelly, Kimberly McCarthy, Amanda Davies, Katie Brendzy, Ritzel Espejo, Jackie Tower, Julee Richmond, Linette Sandor, Dorey Gardiner, Natalee McGreyer, Phillipa Putlitz and Team from UPSTREAM

2. Approval of Agenda

- a. Breanna motioned, Linette seconded, carried

3. Approval of Minutes from June Meeting

- a. Breanna motioned, Linette seconded, carried

4. UPSTREAM PRESENTATION

- a. Preventing youth homelessness and school disengagement through early intervention
- b. For grade 8's
 - i. beginning questionnaires to start October 12th, check in's in November

5. Officer's Reports

- a. President's Report – *Call for Nominations for vacant positions*
 - i. Amanda nominates herself for COPAC
 - ii. Julee nominates herself as secretary
- b. Treasurer's Report
 - i. Finances fro June-Current presented
 - ii. Gaming account sits at \$7252.57
 - iii. general account sits at \$8525.43

6. COPAC Report

- a. sms gym floor was mentioned at COPAC
- b. COPAC is talking with BCCPAC about where member dues are going and wants to see more transparency
- c. COPAC rep and President emails being reset

- d. district asked how many PAC's are still using zoom accounts as the district pays for them and would like to cancel them if not being used
- e. October 17th Dan Duncan is doing a presentation on ADHD via zoom
 - i. will have lacey post info on facebook when there are more details
- f. Paul Davies is offering a presentations on internet safety
 - i. contact COPAC if you want to arrange a presentation
- g. COPAC created a SLACK channel for communication
- h. Policy on SD employees being on PAC's was presented to change language to allow employees who work less than 10 hours per week
 - i. Individual PAC's can change their policies if they need to accept a sd23 member but confidentiality agreements should be made.

7. Hot Lunch Report

- a. Some new vendors this year
- b. First lunch starts on the 25th
- c. need to work with the breakfast club in regards to sharing kitchen space
- d. payments are due a week prior on the Sunday for orders. Orders not paid for by 7pm the Sunday prior will be deleted.
- e. New bins are in and should work way better

8. Administration Report

- a. Updated enrolment numbers for 23-24
 - a. Actual enrolment today: 574
 - b. Grade 6 – 8 sections, 181 students, class size average 22.6
 - c. Grade 7 – 8 sections, 200 students, class size average 25.0
 - d. Grade 8 – 8 sections, 193 students, class size average 24.1
 - e. Strategies – 3 students
- b. Staffing updates:
 - i. Welcome to: Joanna Petkau, grade 8 teacher, Heaven Fedoriuk, CEA
 - ii. Welcome back to: Midori Fujita in grade 8; Mary McDonald, Lisa Stanley, Joy
 - iii. Richardson in grade 7; Jill Goodheart, Foods; Steve Carr, RMS/SMS Specialty Program

- iv. Leslie Piasentin – counselling this year
 - v. Still short 3 CEAs – will be filled when more hiring happens
 - vi. Still hiring a clerical role – Student Records
 - vii. Still hiring an Indigenous Tutor role
- c. Terry Fox Run coming this Wednesday
- d. Parent/Teacher Conferences on October 4 & 5; early dismissal at noon both days. Conferences will be run in a variety of formats. Open house and BBQ from 1-5 on October 4. Watch for communication from your child's teachers.
- e. Reconciliation Week coming up.
 - i. Orange Shirt Day at SMS is on Friday, September 29.
- f. We are waiting on Planning and Facilities Committee to approve the picnic table installation...still. Concrete will be donated by a local company.
- g. Renovations:
 - i. Gym floor is done and looks great!
 - ii. Bleachers are still weeks out. Issue is backup with the manufacturer.
 - iii. Turf looks and feels great – wonderful to have green space.
- h. Volleyball teams, Rugby and Cross-Country running and back. Archery starting soon.
- i. Returning Athletic Director is Jay Prodger.
- j. Enrichment – students are signing up right now. Classes will begin October 13.
- k. We have organized in-day collab time Wednesday block 3 for teams of our teachers. End result will be improved learning experiences for students. This also provides us built-in time for assemblies, etc.
- l. All humanities teachers are involved in whole class reading and writing assessments right now, listening, one-on-one, to each child. Math assessments are also happening right now – lots of collaboration has gone into this. Tara King releasing teachers to have a numeracy conversation with each student.
- m. UPSTREAM – assessment is happening soon – October 12
- n. Food Program – lots of funding to the SD this year. Schools will benefit.

9. New Business

- a. Linette motions to accept Amanda Davies as COPAC rep. and Julee Richmond as secretary.
 - i. All in favour, none opposed, carried

Meeting adjourned 8:17pm

Minutes prepared by Breanna Kelly

Next PAC meeting Monday, October 16th 2023 at 6:15pm.