

## DTSS PAC Meeting Minutes

January 15, 2025

**Place:** DTSS Theatre

**Attendees:** Brandy Carey, Jillian Cochrane, Heather English, Christine DuBois, Chenoa Paccagnan, Cheyann Furger, Thiloma Hofer, Ashlee Dearin.

**Start Time:** 7:15 pm

Checked the PAC mailbox and brought out new mail- funding requests/creative writing books.

Land Acknowledgement- Chenoa.

**Administration Report** by Heather English:

- Replacement of the kitchen oven to convection, industry standard.
- Capital Savings Account holds money for these kinds of replacements. Shop, Science and Kitchen use this accounts for replacements.
- Future consult with Brian. N about Theatre lighting and potential upgrades. Considering a consult also for changing the floor in the Mezzanine/Workout room.
- School Absences are consisting mostly of; illness, school authorized absence for trips, excused absences and personalized student schedules (5). Fridays continues to see many student absences.
- Grade 12 Capstone project will help improve school culture with Instagram exposure promoting fun school activities (especially activities on Fridays) and Athletics.
- Staffing update: 2 teachers are on leave, with one new teacher leave coming up. Leaves replaced with retired teachers (Andrea Dunlop- Law) or TTOCS.
- Counsellor posting is active. Penny Brown and Glen Sage to support in the meantime.

*Approval of the November/December meeting minutes by Brandy and Seconded by Cheyann.*

*Approval of agenda by Cheyann and Brandy.*

**Treasure's Report** by Christine Dubois.

- PAC bursary was given to Tiegan. B last month.
- GST returns are going to be coming in.

- PAC members need to review the budget for the next PAC meeting February 12, 2025. (Put on Agenda for February Meeting).

#### **Ashlee Dearin- RMSD Teacher's Association**

- Introduction of Ashlee to her new role. Discussion around how she can help support PAC.
- *"What is good for teachers' is also good for students!"*

#### **DPAC Update**

- DPAC sent out an email that they are looking for someone else to take over. There was a slow resurgence last year 2024, and now it has fallen apart.
- Ashlee. D could listen in to other school PAC meetings for similar collective issues/highlights offering a solution to no DPAC for now through a Z PAC.
- Questions around if we can have an unofficial Z PAC, with a dormant DPAC.... Brandy will check in about this and report back for the February PAC meeting.
- Recommendation to keep filling the yearly paperwork for the DPAC so re-establishment in the future is easier.

#### **New Business- Funding Requests:**

##### **Tessa Reilly- Physics Olympics**

- Request for \$600 or more.
- No other sources of funding.
- Province wide opportunity at UBC in Vancouver (March 2025).
- Cheyann put out a motion to approve \$600. Amended by Christine for \$1500. Brandy seconded the motion. Voting / \$1500 approved. (Thiloma abstained from voting because her son is on the team).

##### **Shelley Little- Creative Writing Contest**

- Open for all students who write in all grades, to encourage students to engage in creative writing.
- Request for \$300.
- Brandy set a motion of "up to \$400".
- Thiloma seconded the motion. Christine amended the motion of "up to \$350". Voting/ approved of "up to \$350".

## **DTSS Clubs**

- Thomas Golbeck to start a club. PAC to help support with supplies once we know more.
- Questions around what percentage of students play athletics vs joining clubs like art etc.... to help us with PAC budget allocations.
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## **Items for February 12, 2025 at 7pm, Agenda:**

1: All Pac members to have reviewed attached budget from Christine and have a discussion around it.

2: DPAC update from Brandy with clarification around a Z Pac.

**Meeting adjourned at 8:00 pm.**

Minutes collected by Cheyann Furger.