

## ***Kidston PAC Meeting minutes June 1, 2021***

**In Attendance:** Jeff S, Debbie C, Karen R, Erica S, Gareth A, Dom, Erik N, Lara P, Lynn B, Christin K, Olivia B, Alison, Rob and Taryn B

Approval of Agenda – Gareth moved, Erica seconded

Approval of May meeting minutes – Gareth moved, Rob seconded

### **Speakers and Topics**

#### **Robert Lee – Board of Trustees**

-Janelle Brewer – new trustee

-June 10<sup>th</sup> meeting re: ideas to generate revenue for the school, parents/staff are free to send an email to trustees if they have any innovative suggestions to generate money

#### **Debbie Cullum - Principal's Report**

-outdoor classroom, ground should be breaking soon – to go in field next to elementary sand pit

-staffing changes - Erik N leaving to Harwood, Miss Salmon new VP, Miss Philips finishing her contract, Miss Cutler finishing her contract, new noon supervisor, one bus supervisor

-new portable coming this summer to accommodate higher student population

-new picnic table being installed on primary playground to replace broken one

-tether balls going back in field towards gaga pit area

-re-establishing long jump pit in intermediate area

-lpads have arrived and are in use – 10 more ordered for fall

-June 10<sup>th</sup>: 9 -10 am welcome to kindergarten drive through with Mrs Cox and Mrs Lee, meet and greet, info welcome packages – all outside, if parents want to visit 1<sup>st</sup> week of July can meet with one on one in the school or end of August

-Saleema Noon feedback – majority of teachers would like again, only a few would prefer live, 95% videos preferred

#### **Erik Neilson -**

##### **grade 7 Grad Events**

-outdoor gathering on field, free lunch, water fight, disc golfing in Lumby, drive through certificates and virtues speeches online with parents, money towards hooded sweatshirts at new schools

##### **Allan Brooks feedback**

-sessions could be longer – 1 hr outside plus 30 min wrap up, reflection

-some activities too difficult, complicated for students

-more detailed explanation to teachers for pre-loading and reflections

-over all very well done, kids were engaged and had fun

#### **Lynn B – Teacher's Report**

-no update

### **-Dom – Treasurers Report**

- \$5500 budget and expenses – fundraising will cover
- cash left in bank
- \$300 set aside for 1:1 literacy rolled forward for next year
- science center fundraiser – pay outs quarterly
- Kal tire fundraiser – pay out in March 2022
- OLC structure – funded by district, no cost to PAC - still needs to be outfitted with benches/desks - -----
- Calibri bag fundraiser for fall – Lara to follow up

*-Christin motions to take up to 500 dollars maximum from unspent operating funds from this year and allocate that to teachers' appreciation. Seconded – Jeff*

### **Lara P – DPAC representative**

- other schools are doing Saleema Noon
- seamless child care presented by CUPE

### **Jeff – diversity and anti-racism subcommittee**

*-Jeff motions to recognize a diversity and anti-racism subcommittee and allow them to have their own voice and bring feedback to Kidston PAC once per month. Seconded by Gareth and Lynn*

- side note – next year should have a small budget operating for next year

### **Lara**

- first meeting
- discussion about how we might show kids that school community does not represent all diversity and how do we value differences, educate and support each other in learning more, sharing resources, how to support teachers and school in classroom setting, library books, welcoming new families, how to communicate all this
- possibly a presenter for parents, kids, teachers to offer education and guidance.
- recent discovery of remains in Kamloops – how can we show outward support – recognize with respect.

### **Gareth – OLC update**

- new members to get involved beyond the garden , how can we expand the learning given the natural amenities we have
- summer garden maintenance needed over summer, sign up sheet online – watering, weeding etc, post on fb site
- composter to be purchased for next year

### **Jeff Stevenson - student involvement**

- engaging kids with program development
- social media roles with older children (grade 6/7)
- student voice at PAC meetings -a student representative, what to spend PAC money on
- a framework needed, an outline for them to follow, a survey to lead

- how to hear from everyone and get them to advocate for themselves, not just the few key students that would be in council or leadership roles
- Kal student body mentorship?

### **General Elections 2021/2022**

President: Jeff Stevenson - everyone in favor  
Vice President: Gareth Ainslie – everyone in favor  
Treasurer: Dominic – everyone in favor  
Secretary: Taryn Buchanan – everyone in favor  
DPAC rep: Lara Pollard – everyone in favor

#### New positions to fill:

Social media coordinator -  
Events/volunteer coordinator –

Meeting adjourned 9:15 pm