

Claremont Secondary PAC (CPAC) Minutes: Tuesday, May 16, 2023

Claremont Secondary School Learning Commons and Microsoft Team

1. Territorial Acknowledgement

2. Approval of the Agenda

- Agenda was approved as presented

Motion to approve Christine Carrigan-Evans, seconded Kelly Perry – Approved

3. Approval of April Minutes

- A recap of the April 2023 meeting was provided by Marian.

Motion to approve Kelly Perry, seconded Judy Sam – Approved

4. Administration Update – Aaron Buckham

- **Staff Appreciation Lunch:** Taco Bar lunch went very well, thanks to Judy and Kelly for leading. Many thanks from all staff.
- **Blood Drive:** 68 donors, great response from the school, many first time donors.
- **Washroom vandalism:** Increasing and of great concern. Discussion about cameras in washrooms, security etc. No cameras planned. Asking families to discuss with students, increasing staff observations and continuing to build community and respect within the school.
- **Grad 2023:** Final preparations and rehearsal underway.
- **BC School Sports Award Banner:** presented to Claremont for Most Inspirational School, based partly on high level of staff involvement in coaching sports teams. School celebration will be held June 6.
- **Empathy Interviews:** staff interviewing students about what worked well and what could be better for them at the school, plan to engage many students, feeds into school plan for next year.

5. President's Report – Marian Greco

- See attached final 2023 report by Marian
 - Concern re: decreased parent engagement and how to address and improve this
 - COPACS initiatives and how to work to ensure these are as effective as possible
 - Focus on dismantling racism in the school with family and staff support
- COPACS parent survey results related to what education parents want, how they'd like it delivered etc.

- Note on communication to school families – separate specific topic emails get best results
- Discussion re: PAC next year, leadership and involvement role for students, consider student involvement and presence at some PAC meetings?
- 2023/24 new Leadership Program will begin.

6. PAC Elections for 2023/24 School Year

- Several nominations came in. All positions are open for nomination and election.
- Slate of candidates presented as follows and voted in:
 - Co-Presidents - Marian Greco & Richard Anthony
 - Vice-President - Kelly Perry
 - Treasurer – Don Mellings
 - Secretary – Jennifer Magnusson
 - COPACS Rep - Stacy Finer
 - Grade 12 Liaisons: open
 - Lead Event Planner: Josie Pucci-Cocco and Kelly Perry
 - Members at Large: Carol Pesce, Josie Pucci- Cocco, Jenny Eastman, Brandy Dye

7. Treasurer’s Report (Marian for Don)

- We will hold ~\$4000 as contingency to start off next year (usually prefer to hold ~\$6000)
- Funds in Gaming account \$28,503.19 and General account \$7,764.96. These funds are already allocated for staff requests and other commitments.
- See attached excel sheet.
- All teachers who received PAC funding in the fall and spring will be reminded that their funds need to be spent and receipts given to Belinda Waller ASAP.
- **ACTION:** Remind staff to spend allocated funds - Aaron
- **ACTION:** Complete Gaming Grant application ASAP – Don and Marian

Motion to approve Josie Pucci-Cocco, seconded Judy Sam – Approved

8. COPACS Report – Marian

- Marian provided feedback to COPACS about lead time and the very close spacing of parent ed session this year and advice to give more lead time in future.
- Megan Miscovic with COPACS voted for us at BCCPAC meetings in May.
- COPACS held their AGM.

The meeting adjourned at 8:00 p.m. Motion to adjourn Kelly Perry, seconded Christine Carrigan – Evans - Adjourned

Attendance – 9 members attended

- President - Marian Greco
- Vice-President - Kelly Perry
- Treasurer – Don Mellings
- Secretary – vacant, Jenny acting
- COPACS Rep – Bernard Tonks
- Grade 12 Liaison: Judy Sam
- Members at Large: Carol Pesce, Christine Carrigan-Evans, Josie Pucci-Cocco, Jenny Eastman
- **Regrets:** Don Mellings, Bernard Tonks
- **Families:** Carolyn Dunnill, Jennifer Magnusson

- **Admin:** Principal, Aaron Buckham

Reminders

- Please remember to send in your Country Grocer receipts to the school as we receive a percentage back as gift cards to support school programs.

Next Meeting CPAC Executive Social - Tuesday, June 13, 2023 @ 7:00 pm