

Okanagan Mission Secondary Parent Advisory Council

General Meeting Minutes

Date: September 20th 2023, at 7pm

Location: OKM

Attendance -

Helen Work, Rob Geisthardt, Jeannette Watson, Judy Gregor, Darlene Atkinson, Sara Hammerstrom, Carmen Klassen, Sophie Zhang, Carla Jackson, HuJing Yao, Natalia Saba, German Forgurz, Anthony Chow, Vincent Hunter

1. Call to order and welcome

- a. Meeting called to order 7:03 PM
- b. Introduction of PAC executive, Members at Large, Principal

2. Adoption of Agenda

Motion: To accept the September 10th 2023 OKM PAC Agenda as Presented Motioned by Rob Geisthardt, Second by Jeannette Watson **Motion Carried**

3. Executive Reports

- a. Treasurer
 - Waiting for Gaming Grant approval
 - Receipt required for Mission Roots Coffee Machine as per approval at the April 2023 meeting
- b. COPAC Nothing to report.

4. PAC 2023/2024

- President Helen Work
- Vice President Carla Jackson
- Treasurer Rob Geisthardt
- Secretary Jeannette Watson
- COPAC Rep Carmen Klassen
- Members at Large HuJing Yao, Judy Gregor, Darlene Atkinson, Sara Hammerstrom

5. Administrator's Report, Mr. Hunter -

- School off to a great start focus on celebrating wins within the school community to foster culture of involvement.
- Looking at options to update common area to create more welcoming impression upon entering the school. Area to celebrate wins such as academics, athletics etc
- 74 teachers staffed, Resource space is understaffed, not due to funding just resource availability.
- Updates to Indigenous Room to accommodate increased usage, over 100 connected to that space. Curriculum changes fostering new interest.
- Focus on resources for social and emotional wellness. Rethinking support systems.
- Large graduating class, still pushing for one date vs splitting graduation up over 2 dates.
- New flags in parking lot
- Web page updates
- Parent teacher interviews in-person and in the evening to encourage attendance.

6. Upcoming and Current Events -

- o Monday Oct 2nd Truth & Reconciliation Day No school
- o Monday, Oct 9th Thanksgiving No School
- o Monday Nov 13th Remembrance Day
- o Friday, Dec 22nd School closes for winter break
- o Monday, Jan 8th School reopens

7. Other Business –

- Once gaming grants are approved (~25K), PAC to request for ideas from Teachers, Staff and school community.
- 8. Next General PAC Meeting TBC
- **9.** Adjournment Motioned by Helen Work