# PITT MEADOWS SECONDARY SCHOOL PARENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING Monday November 18, 2019 MINUTES

In Attendance:Sign in sheet attachedCall to Order:7.05pm

### Approval of Agenda

Motion to Approve: Jeff Beyak Motion approved Seconded: Amy Beard

#### Approval of October 2019 Minutes:

Motion to approve: Jenny Popoff Seconded: Tammy Steeds Motion approved

#### Treasurer's Report- Tammy Steed and Jenny Popoff

See attached sheet Motion to Approve: Jeff Beyak Motion approved

Seconded: Amy Beard

#### <u> Chair Report – Connie Gibson</u>

Chair presented the gaming grant allocations for 2019/2020

Motion to approve the gaming allocations for the 2019/20 school year
Motion to approve: Jenny Popoff
Seconded: Judy Rousseau
All in favor – 8
Motion approved

- Chair put forward recommendation to change gaming grant teacher requests deadline to end of September in order to get requests processed earlier.
- Connie Gibson and Tammy Steeds will both be stepping down from their positions on the PAC and the end of the school year.
- Chair emphasized that active Executive PAC required to qualify for Gaming Grant.

### Principals Report – Cheryl Schwarz

- Successful Halloween dance, great turnout approximately 120 students.
- Senior Winter Formal dance December 4<sup>th</sup>, tickets on sale November 19<sup>th</sup>, open to grades 11/12

- School board Trustees met with students from grade 8-12, discussed school life information collected used to planning, variety of student voices shared.
- Both school counsellors are currently on maternity leave. Evelyn Matthews and Anna Montebello currently covering positions. Position has been posted province wide, open to teachers with support/counselling experience.
- Meraki Art Gallery opening of Nightscapes A Glow in the Dark Art Show, Wednesday November 27trh, 7:00-9:30 pm.
- School Growth plan submitted for the upcoming year; data collected from the learning surveys used to develop goals for the school year:

Goal #1 – How can we increase a sense of belonging for staff and students by improving connection through school Social and Emotional Learning, effective communication and collaboration.

Goal #2 – Staff to further develop their learning of the new curriculum and with a focus on inclusive practice, assessment and First Peoples Principles of Leaning.

- December 17<sup>th</sup>, special Christmas Breakfast, music students with perform and visit from Santa and photo booth.
- Jessie Miller talked to both students and parents on the topic of appropriate use of social media

## <u> Open Forum</u>

Q: Inquiry as to proposed school upgrades

A: Upgrading approved at the next level of the process, still no details regarding work plan

**Q:** Do other schools in the district have polices regarding cell phone use?

**A:** Not aware of any school having policy, usually up to the individual teacher, some have designated areas in classroom for students to store phones, some allow students to used their phones during class, others don't mind students having access to phones.

**Q**: Parent unable to access grade posting on myclass.

A: Grades won't appear until teachers post.

### Meeting Adjournment:

Motion to Adjourn: Helen Rex Seconded: Connie Gibson Meeting Adjourned at: 8:00 pm

Next Meeting: Monday January 13, 2020