JRES PAC Meeting Minutes - March 5, 2018

IN ATTENDANCE: Jennifer Davis (PAC President), David Takahashi (PAC Vice-President), Alex Janse (PAC Secretary), Carol DeFehr (JRES Principal), Poonam Gill, Kapri Curtin, Kate Klassen, Kimberly Turner, Carmen Pawlyshyn, Tiffany MacKinnon, Aron Andersen

1. WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS:

Jennifer welcomed all attendees and called the meeting to order. Motion to approve the agenda. The motion carried - agenda approved.

2. OLD BUSINESS:

Draft minutes for February are not ready. Will be circulated prior to April meeting.

3. OPERATIONS AND COMMUNICATION:

District PAC Report:

Meetings are third Tuesday of the month. Still need a volunteer to attend.

Jenn presented notes.

Foundational skills assessments in Grades 4 & 7. Parents can opt out. Concerns regarding results being sent in sealed envelope – stressful for kids.

KTTA – Kamloops Thompson Teachers Association. Class size and composition arbitration. Flex factor. "Negotiate not violate". 3 "low" students (Ministry categories), class size.

Westmount traffic survey.

Sexual assault – reposted to RCMP and MCFD, Review policies and district as a whole. Recommendations due by June.

Marion Schilling having a book exchange.

Treasurer's Report:

Jennifer provided attendees with a current financial report and proposed expenditures as prepared by Sarah, a copy of which is attached.

March expenditures include babysitting for the PAC Meeting and 7 iPads (balance of cost from grant obtained by JRES)

Spring Social:

Kim is heading up committee. Venue and date selected – May 11 @ 7:00 at the Sandman hotel.

Volunteers and auction items needed. There will be a live and silent auction.

Webpage to launch soon. Tickets will be available through Munch a Lunch website.

This will be an adult's night out – significant others welcome. Opportunity for parents to get to know one another.

David motions to pre-approve expenditures up to \$2000. Carmen seconds.

Discussion about tax receipts and gaming license.

Motion approved.

4. PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Kate Klassen – Grade 3 teacher – joins the technology committee.

MSLS – 100% completion – thanks to parents! Data used for developing school learning plan.

Tech mentors – two sessions complete with third scheduled for March 27th

Kindergarten registration began February 13-16 – 68 new students – JRES highest in Kamloops. Most schools are 30-40. Mrs. Gatien and Mrs. Hill are retiring after this school year. SPARK intake planned – 4 sessions prior to September. Possible to maintain 19 divisions with 3 K classes and one K/1 split. Note that 68 is not capped, more expected. Also possible to go up to 20 divisions with a portable. Only accepting students from within the catchment.

Pink parent request forms available April 3. Parents can make requests for placement next year but ultimate decision rests with Principal. Cannot request a specific teacher.

Heritage stamp competition – Grades 3 – 7

School learning plan – update and check in. This is a 5 year plan. Focus on ADSM/STEM/Coding for year 1. 432 students, 46 with aboriginal heritage. Challenges include space, LART time, technology.

Most Magnificent Thing – ADST (applied design skills technology) and critical thinking. Presentation of learning April 20 @ 1:30.

Elementary school fees review

Safer Schools Together presentation March 8 @ 6:30 at Henry Grube. Presented by District and RCMP.

5. NEW BUSINESS

Pornography information night discussion. PAC members to review the film proposed @ Over18doc.com

Request from Mrs. Stonehouse – subsidies for students who are finalists in science competition. Also applies to young authors, young artists, heritage fair, etc.

Motion to approve \$650 for the science fair made by Aron. Kapri seconds. Discussion. Not approved but will consider again in the future and/or on a case by case basis.

6. NEXT MEETING DATE

The next meeting date will be April 9, 2018.

There being no further business, Carmen motioned to adjourn the meeting. David seconded the motion. The motion was carried and the meeting was adjourned.

ATTACHMENTS: March 2018 Minutes (for review), March 2018 Financial Summary, March 2018 Principal's Report