



**SOSS PARENT ADVISORY COUNCIL
GENERAL MEETING April 20, 2023**

Attendees:

Andrea Lester Louisa Paetkau Minh Thai Tiffany Michas
John Batyka Sholeh Pickell

Tracy Harrington – Principal Rob Zandee - SD53 board rep
Mindy Ward – Chair Deborah Rivest - Vice Chair
Jocelyn Kirs – Secretary

1. Meeting Called to order 6:48pm

2. Adoption of Minutes

- Minutes adopted from the previous meeting (Feb 23).

AGREED First Louisa Paetkau Second Andrea Lester

3. Treasurer's Report:

General Account: \$7,812.54

Gaming Account: \$6,687.73

Current TOTAL Funds available: \$14,500.27

General Account Activity:

No Activity

Gaming Account Activity:

Cheque #159 Apr. 10/23 \$3000.00 PAC Scholarships 4x\$750; Grad Scholarships C.Koffler (SOSS) Outstanding

Cheque #160 Apr.10/23 \$1500.00 Gardom Lake Outdoor Ed. Camp; S.Smith (SOSS) Outstanding

Outstanding Request to be paid:

N/A

Note: Read by Deborah Rivest

Update on Concession - \$248 for Ultimate concession Update on Parent donation - \$50

AGREED First Louisa Paetkau Second Minh Thai

4. School Board Report:

- Opening in Cawston for Shannon Miller who is replacing Ms. Takacs

5. Administration Report:

- Staffing

- Hosting the District Pow Wow tomorrow
- SAGA Club, Student Voice Club, Skateboard Club, Art club, chess club
- Soccer, Golf & Ultimate Frisbee -huge tourneys going on
- End of Term –April 21- report cards out the following week; encouraging teachers of grade 8/9 to use Spaces as the communication tool
- Grad scholarships and bursaries; grad fundraising due the end of April
- Completed Student Learning Surveys- sent to parents (open until the end of April)
- Sexual Health presentations for grade 8/9
- Adolescent Health Survey coming in May- all students
- Yearbook – taking submissions/ pictures
- Prom May 13 at Spirit Ridge (successful bottle drive to reduce cost of tickets)
- Counsellors doing Grade 7 Transitions
- Gardom Lake Grade 9 trip (May 30 – June 1)
- Find Your Fit coming May 8 – parent session 4:00pm-6:00pm
- Student Forum coming up
- New EA practicum student starting April 24- June 9
- Microsoft Settlement – Education Voucher – district \$185,000 (SOSS \$50,000)
- Feeding Future School Food Program (around \$55,000)

John offered his breakfast making skills when available!

6. Old Business: N/A

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7. New Business

- Funding Requests
 - Skateboard Club
 - Request from J. McKinnon for \$200 for logo & club name contest.
 - AGREED** First Louisa Paetkeu Second Minh Thai
 - Year book
 - Request from R. Goncalves for \$2,000 to supplement book costs and keep fees down for students.
 - AGREED** First Minh Thai Second Andrea Lester
- Welcome Back BBQ
 - September 13, Wednesday @ 4:30
 - By donation
 - Merchandise for sale!!
- Cindy Hernandez sent a message (read by Jocelyn) regarding interest in starting boys soccer in the fall
 - There is enough interest for boys soccer that wouldn't interfere with volleyball.
 - We've heard there is resistance because there is so much already invested in the volleyball program.
 - Tracy said the next steps would be to contact Mr. Podmorrow via email with a formal letter of interest.

Meeting adjourned

Next General meeting Thursday, May 18/23 @ 6:30pm