



## Mark R. Isfeld Secondary PAC

### Minutes

Monday, Apr. 16, 2018, 7:00pm

### Attendees:

Lisa Taylor, Jeff Taylor, Tammi Whelan, Arla Calman, Brad Tobacco, Jo Payne, Ian Langmann, Lorne Taylor, Mary-Jane Douglas, Tom Mason, Bobbi Rowntree, Shannon Aldinger.

1. **Call to Order**- Lisa- 7:04 pm
2. **Approval of Agenda**-Brad moved to accept- Ian seconded
3. **Approval of Previous Month's Minutes**- Jo moved to approve minutes, Shannon seconded.
4. **Reports:**
  - **Principal's Report – Jeff Taylor**- Highlights – Round table was held here with 15 students and trustees and superintendent. Destination Imagination – held at Isfeld and went very well. At DI Provincials in Vancouver, Highland and Vanier qualified at Provincials to go to Globals. Isfeld teams also did very well and qualified, but not for funding. The Nicaragua and Italy trips went well, as did the Gr. 8 Band trip. The second annual Special Olympics basketball tournament was held at Isfeld, with 8 teams in all; 200 Isfeld students came as spectators. Rugby, soccer, mountain-biking and track teams are all competing. A new club started today – The Film & TV Club, with a focus on script-writing. Satisfaction surveys are going out to grades 10 and 12 students, along with a survey to parents.
  - **Trustee's Report – Sheila McDonnell**- Available for questions and happy to respond to questions or emails – but sends regrets, as she could not attend tonight.
  - **Treasurer's Report – Mary-Jane Douglas**- Similar to last report except with small additions seen below- Mary-Jane moved to accept, Bobbi seconded.
  - **DPAC Report – Ian Langmann/Lorne Taylor** – Ian reported – April 22, Bike Swap at Puntledge Park school. As PACs, district parents are awarded an opportunity to suggest what district money is spent on. This year is the first in a long time that there will be a surplus, and the Board is collecting a 'Wish List' from parents, PACs, administrators etc. Ideas can be directed

to Sheldon Lee directly at the Board office, or Peter Coleman. Jeff Taylor requested the school-based budget be restored to previous levels to cover costs as all schools in district are not able to cover costs. ERR requested additional counseling for students and for a learning support resources teacher for French Immersion students. Huband parents are sponsoring a speaker, Tamara Strijack on anxiety, May 3, at Huband School from 7-9 pm.

- **CPF Report – Jo Payne**

- Four students are going to compete at Provincials for Concours d'art oratoire in May, at the SFU Surrey Campus, and CPF is providing each of them with a \$100 travel bursary.

- 2 graduating French Immersion students will receive bursaries of \$500 each this June; applications are being submitted.

- Theatre la Seizieme has been booked for a performance of a French play called Avant l'Archipel, for 300 French Immersion students, on May 23<sup>rd</sup>, at Isfeld Secondary. Our CPF chapter has received a socio-cultural grant from the BC CPF, which will pay half of the cost of the performance. There was only availability at this time to book a secondary school performance, but our goal is to continue to apply for these grants, and we plan to apply for an elementary school performance for next year, for students from École Robb Road and École Puntledge.

- Two new sessions of French Classes for Parents are beginning this week – the Beginner French Class, on Tuesdays, which was full at 20 students for the fall session, is full again at 20 students for this spring session! The Intermediate French Class, which will run on Thursdays, is not quite full, so we are hoping for a few more registrations so we can run the class – if you know of anyone with a bit of French language background who would be interested, please let Lisa Taylor know (she is taking registrations), at [lisa.taylor.ed@gmail.com](mailto:lisa.taylor.ed@gmail.com). The teacher for these classes is Paige Sutton, a teacher at École Robb Road. Classes to be held at Glacier View School.

- Our next CPF meeting is next Monday, April 23, at 7:00pm at École Puntledge Park, in the school library! All French Immersion parents/supporters of French as a second language are welcome!

## 5. Old Business

- Updates on Salad Bar Program – so far \$4400 is confirmed, Farm to school grant for \$9700 has been applied for and we are waiting for confirmation;
- Updates on Substance Use Awareness Information Night– Brad suggested having Gabor Mate come and speak at a future information night, at a cost of \$6300 for 90 minutes; discussion ensued. The information night this Wednesday night is well in hand, with the addition of babysitting provided for Wednesday night.

6. **New Business- Capstone Project questions-** Jeff addressed this with us and will address it with the staff of Isfeld tomorrow. The Capstone Project is not being supported well enough to succeed. The purpose of Capstone is to allow for meaningful completion of Careers 11 without taking a full block in which to do it. If the Wednesday Inquiry/Capstone Project Time is not used fruitfully, students next year will lose a scheduled block in which to take an academic course. Discussion ensued. It was noted some students require scaffolding, and this will be taken into account this year, and in preparation for next year.

7. Adjournment –Lisa- moved Jo seconded- 8:47 pm

8. Next PAC Meeting: May 14, 2018