MINUTES

AME PAC MEETING

**DATE:** Nov 19, 2018, 6:00PM – 7:30PM/ Meeting called to order by Saskia Battersby

**ATTENDEES:**

Saskia Battersby, Corey Anderson, Laura Wilson, Brady Ibbetson, Jasmeet Virk, Nela Turner, Andrea Locke, Alyse Franklin, Rebecca Dittmer, Michelle Bhatia, Sheri Linquist, Alisa Foster, Leah MacDonald, Nicole MacDonald, Sarah Read, Ryan Saari, Tori Hanson.

**WELCOME:**

* Meeting called to order at 6:06pm
* Welcome and introductions by Saskia Battersby
* Saskia announced that the Secretary and Treasurer positions will need to be filled for next year as Corey Anderson and Kendal Shaw will be stepping down at the end of this school year.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

* Approval of minutes from Oct 15 meeting
* Laura Wilson made motion to approve minutes, Michelle Bhatia second the motion, all approved

**PRINCIPAL WORDS:**

* Brady introduced a special guest, Viane Kittsinger who is the Senior Executive Assistant to the Superintendant for the Kelowna School Board.
* Viane reviewed the survey that was sent out to all the parents regarding the requests for a new principal. Still a lot of decisions to be made, but things will be finalized in the spring.
* All in all a few things to note: the school will be ready on time for the fall. For 2019 will be grades 6 - 7 and 2020 will be grades 6 - 8. New bus routes still to be established. Parking will not be easy, put your kids on the bus.
* It was mentioned that the new middle school should start the application for the gaming grant ASAP as it does take time. This was noted and appreciated by Viane.

**COPAC REVIEW:**

Michelle Bhatia reviewed some items from COPAC:

* COBBS – children have to go right to post secondary to quality.
* Any children that attended AME will automatically qualify.
* Parents are needed to attend the district committee meetings; anyone can attend and participate. Schedules can be found on the School District website.
* New school trustees were sworn in on the 17th of October.
* COPAC conference was November 24th
* There were 500 new students in SD23 this year.
* Next COPAC meeting is Dec 3 at 7pm.
* The Glenrosa fundraiser raised $11,000 to replace money that was lost.

**BUDGET REVIEW:**

***KENDAL WAS ABSENT:***

* No updates on the budget at this time.

**OTHER BUSINESS**

Brady and Jasmeet updated everyone on the new reporting system and a handout was given to the PAC attendees. A few things to note about the new reporting system that were discussed:

* Things are going well so far with what has been implemented.
* The change is now 20% towards content and 80% towards competencies.
* Each school has the opportunity to customize this program to work in their favor.
* All of the teachers are working towards a structure that fits and working together with parents and students with feedback that comes in.
* Talk with your kids about this change and how they feel towards it. Communicate this to your teachers.
* Children have an opportunity now to have a say in how they feel they did.
* Focusing more on the “I can” instead of “I can’ts”.
* Everyone should have a better understanding of whether his or her children are emerging or acquiring.
* Saskia asked if Brady could do a webinar that could be shared. He will put together something to share with parents that explain in better details.

**Other items:**

* Discussed the hot chocolate handout at school. Bobby Jo and Andrea Locke will run this and ask for volunteers. Laura will post on FB. Someone also suggested that the Grade 5’s and 6’s can help.
* Grade 6 Lighthouse coffee fundraiser will be starting soon.
* Bobby Jo discussed the pizza Friday’s fundraiser. This will be added to the hot lunch website so parents can purchase online.
* Someone asked about the Christmas Hampers and better communication is needed. Laura said she would send an email to the parent reps asking them to clarify in more details per classroom.

**NEXT MEETING**

* Next meeting is January 21st, 6pm, babysitting available.
* Meeting adjourned at 7:44 pm.