



# SARDIS SENIOR SECONDARY

January 11, 2021 PAC Meeting Minutes

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## People in attendance (via Zoom)

Dan Heisler (Vice-Principal); Kathy Pearce (PAC Chair); Amy Brosinski (Secretary); Andrea Stiller; Rebecca Legros (Vice Chair); Rice Causton (Treasurer), Kimberlei Dool, Nicolene, David Swankey (guest – school trustee)

### **1. Meeting Called to Order**

Kathy welcomed those present and meeting called to order at 7:03pm.

### **2. Attendance and Introductions**

Members present made introductions and attendance was taken.

### **3. Agenda**

**MOVED** by Nicolene that the agenda be adopted. 2nd by Rice. **CARRIED.**

### **4. October 2020 Minutes**

**MOVED** by Andrea that the minutes from the November 2020 PAC meeting be adopted. 2nd by Kathy. **CARRIED.**

### **5. Special Guest – David Swankey (School Trustee)**

- By-election February 13<sup>th</sup> – there are 4 candidates
- School district strategic plan currently being renewed – it's a 5-year plan
- School Board meeting tomorrow night (Jan.12<sup>th</sup>)
  - On agenda is proposal re: renaming of Sardis Secondary sportsfield

### **6. Treasurer's Report (Rice Causton)**

- December statements not received yet
- Gaming account balance at November 30, 2020: \$37,572.84
  - Gaming grant received
- General account balance at November 30: \$10,404.66
  - PAC donations received
- Question re: bank fees being charged each month; Rice is working on this; bank needs an email from both Rice and Kathy to have statements emailed to Rice instead of mailing them, then fees will be waived

## **7. Principal's Report (Dan Heisler)**

- The staff have been working on updating the school Growth Plan
  - This growth plan sets priorities and defines the path for Sardis Secondary through a unique global pandemic year. It serves as the framework to guide the planning and decision making in relation to:
    - Quality Instruction
    - Student Achievement
    - Sense of Belonging
    - and the Well-being & Safety of all staff & students
  - Plan is available on school website
  - Positives from this school year:
    - Stronger student/teacher relationships
    - Better attendance
- Provincial Numeracy Assessment
  - Grade 11 students will be doing assessment during week of Jan.25-29
- Octet 4/Semester 1
  - Course completion rates are generally at 98% for all grades (pre-covid)
  - Since Covid, course completion rate of 98% or better has been maintained.
  - Attendance has been steady since the start of the school year
    - Usually have 6-8% of students away (pre-covid)
    - Since September, generally have 10-15% away; had a few days in December where it was 24-26% when a few exposure notices were sent out
  - Several students who have been doing learning from home programs have returned to school in January
- Course Planning & Registration for 2021/22
  - February 1-5: election fair (done virtually)
  - February 8 & 9: course planning videos during flex
  - February 16-18: students to enter their course selections in myEd; counsellors & admin will be going to classrooms with laptops to help students with this process

## **8. DPAC Report (Michelle McGrath, read by Kathy)**

- Minister Appoints Special Advisors
  - The Minister of Education has appointed two special advisors to oversee the board until the end of February after which time they will report back to the Minister with findings. Diane Braun & Michelle will be meeting with these advisors on January 19<sup>th</sup>.

- Trustee by Election – February 13th, 2021
  - Advanced voting – Wed. Feb.3<sup>rd</sup>, Wed. Feb.10 & Thurs. Feb.11
  - Voting Day – Sat. Feb 13th at Chilliwack Landing Sports Centre & Heritage Park

## 9. New Business

- Strategic Plan Review – looking for 4 parents to represent Sardis Secondary
  - Kathy
  - Andrea
  - Kimberlei
  - still hoping to find one more...
- Question: Any plan for Grad events this year?
  - Meeting with Prospera to discuss three different plans based on various possible scenarios (i.e. just students, students plus one parent, etc.)
  - Banquet scenarios also being explored; there is a good chance that they won't be able to do a banquet at all, but are going to be prepared

## 10. Adjournment

**MOVED** by Kimberlei that the meeting be adjourned at 7:52. 2nd by Andrea.  
**CARRIED.**