

In Attendance:

PAC Members: Sandra Young (Co-President), Kim Leifso (Co-President), Jana Hikichi (Treasurer), Tyree Buchanan (Secretary), Kerri Sketchley, Christiane Pfaender, Tina Upton, Ana Lahnert, Renee Arbo

Staff: Mr. Harris, Principal

Guests: none

Call to order: The meeting was called to order at 7:03pm by Co-President, Kim Leifso

Welcome & Introductions

Minutes: The minutes of the May 2023 meeting were adopted.

Principal's Report (J. Harris)

- Currently have 805 students
- New Staff this year: New Principal (Mr. Harris) & one new Vice Principal (Mrs. Koehler) were joined by (6 new teachers, new youth care worker, 5 new SEA's and a new Admin. Assistant this year. Mrs. Koehler was previously at RE Mountain for 3 years.
- Mr. Harris brings a unique perspective to Poppy as he is a former Poppy graduate himself.
- He stressed the importance of academics in conjunction with the other activities and courses that complete a student's high school experience (music, athletics, clubs, etc.). And noted that Poppy has a very dedicated staff to help make this happen.
- Poppy is a "Lighthearted Place with an Intense Mission"
- Spirit Week – lots of students took part in the festivities around school, dressing up and enjoying the week.
- Terry Fox Run – at the assembly staff shared their stories and journeys with a key message being hope.
- Upcoming Pro-D – staff will be taking part in a Trauma Informed Workshop – to better understand and support students who have experienced trauma.
- The Poppy website is in process of being updated, including a new ical calendar.
- Tutorial time – 35 minute block after the first block of the day which is meant for students as study time, to get extra help in any classes they may need. Work is underway to rebuild the culture to have the students use the block appropriately and how to get the most out of it.
- Feeding Futures – the Provincial government has granted funds to the district for food programs and there will be more information forthcoming about this at an upcoming meeting

Co-President's Report (K. Leifso & S. Young)

- We are looking to continue building connections with our feeder schools to build the Poppy community and hopefully, find future PAC members.
 - Mr. Harris noted that the admin of the Poppy Family of Schools meet regularly to organize sports tournaments, music etc. for the feeder schools to increase their engagement with Poppy
 - Comment from parent – all feeder schools should be given equal access and opportunities, for example, Wix does not have the music program that was previously run by the Poppy music department any longer. Mr. Harris is going to investigate.
- We still require a DPAC rep
- Dry Grad, while not a PAC event, is still looking for a Chairperson to ensure that the event can happen for our students.

Treasurer's Report (J. Hikichi)

- Have not received a request for scholarships, Jana will check in with Ms. Blount
- Business for a future meeting – to discuss the scholarships, perhaps Ms. Blount has some ideas regarding the best

DW Poppy PAC Gaming Account 2022/23

Date	Description	Withdrawals	Deposits	Balance
1-Sep-2022	Opening Balance			\$22,061.57
28-Sep-22	Gaming Grant		\$14,220.00	\$36,281.57
	Cheque #142 - <i>Invoice #2022-07</i> - Motivational Speaker Presentation (\$1000) - Athletic Mats (Chabara - \$2000) - Board Games - Library Commons (Li - \$127.01) <i>Invoice #2022-08</i> - Library Computers (Li - \$4500)			
7-Dec-22		\$7,627.01		\$28,654.56
	Cheque #144 - Dry Grad (\$800)	\$800.00		\$27,854.56
	Cheque #143 - <i>Invoice #2023-35</i> - Board Games - Library Commons (Li - \$140.69) - Laptops for Career Dept (Dumais - \$3000) <i>Invoice #2023-36</i> - Team Uniforms for Athletic Dept (\$2000)			
20-Jun-23		\$5,140.69		\$22,713.87
	Cheque #146 - - Benches (Replaced Social Studies - Enhanced Spaces (Michaud)) by vote, \$2,221.58 Indigenous Garden (Esplen) - \$621.92			
20-Jun-23		\$2,843.50		\$19,870.37
	Cheque #145 - Senior Choir Nationals Trip	\$1,300.00		\$18,570.37
17-Jul-23	Deposit - Car Show?		\$2,700.00	\$21,270.37

DW Poppy PAC General Account 2022/23

Date	Description	Withdrawals	Deposits	Balance
1-Sep-2022	Opening Balance			\$760.65
23-Nov-22	Donations - School Cash Online		\$115.00	\$875.65
23-Nov-22	Donations - School Cash Online		\$1,960.00	\$2,835.65
30-Jun-23	Seniors Choir Nationals Trip	\$200.00		\$2,635.65
30-Jun-23	Bus Driver Appreciation	\$120.00		\$2,515.65
30-Jun-23	Year End Lunch/Recognition (Drinks)	\$59.19		\$2,456.46
30-Jun-23	Year End Lunch/Recognition (Poseidon)	\$2,047.75		\$408.71

DW Poppy PAC General Account - Budget/Actuals

	Actuals YTD	Budget 2022/2023	Difference	Notes
Income:				
School Cash Online Donations	\$2,075.00			\$115 of these funds was from the 2021/2022 School Year
Other				
Expenses:				
Christmas Staff Appreciation	\$0.00	\$500.00	-\$500.00	Everything was donated this year
Year End Lunch/Recognition	\$2,106.94	\$2,000.00	\$106.94	
Replacement of Paper Plates/Cutlery for Year End Lunch	\$0.00	\$50.00	-\$50.00	
Bus Driver Appreciation - May	\$120.00	\$150.00	-\$30.00	
Senior Choir Nationals Trip	\$200.00	\$200.00	\$0.00	Cheque #161 When choir won opportunity to attend Nationals in Niagara, special vote was held to contribute to the funding. \$200 of funding from PAC regular account

DW Poppy PAC Gaming Account - Budget/Actuals

	Actuals YTD	Budget 2022/2023	Difference	Notes
Income:				
Gaming Grant	14,220.00			
Other - Car show?	2,700.00			Unknown deposit – Jana investigating

D.W. Poppy Secondary School PAC Meeting

Wednesday September 27, 2023

Expenses:				
Dry Grad	800.00	800.00	0.00	Cheque #144
Grad Newspaper Feature	0.00	400.00	-400.00	The grad newspaper feature was not done this year.
Scholarships 2 x \$500		1,000.00	-1,000.00	
Team Uniforms for Athletic Dept - Annual	2,000.00	2,000.00	0.00	Invoice #2022-36, Cheque #143
Social Studies - Enhanced Spaces (Michaud)	0.00	5,000.00	-5,000.00	Invoice #2022-35, \$2,023.87 To be discussed. It was voted that a portion of this budgeted money would go toward Benches . See Invoice #2022-35 (Updated) for details.
Benches	2,221.58	2,221.58	0.00	New request created by Mr. Loewen and approved via PAC vote. Invoice #2022-35 (Updated)
Computers - Library Commons (Li)	4,500.00	4,500.00	0.00	Invoice #2022-08 Cheque #142
Athletic Mats (Chabara)	2,000.00	2,000.00	0.00	Invoice #2022-07 (Invoice was \$2,356.18. Paid approved \$2,000.00) Cheque #142
Indigenous Garden (Esplen)	621.92	1,000.00	-378.08	Invoice #2022-42
Board Games - Library Commons (Li)	267.70	500.00	-232.30	Invoice #2022-07 Cheque #142, \$127.01 Invoice #2022-35 Cheque #143, \$140.69
Laptops for Career Dept (Dumais)	3,000.00	3,000.00	0.00	Invoice #2022-35 (Updated)
Motivational Speaker Presentation	1,000.00	1,000.00	0.00	Invoice #2022-07 Cheque #142
Senior Choir Nationals Trip	1,300.00	1,300.00	0.00	Cheque #145 When choir won opportunity to attend Nationals in Niagara, special vote was held to contribute to the funding. \$1,300 of funding from PAC Gaming account

Total: \$20,138.14 \$20,871.58 \$2,033.44

Income Less Expenses: -\$1,143.14

2023/2024 Budget discussion

DW Poppy PAC General Account - Budget/Actuals				
Income:	Actuals YTD	Budget 2023/2024	Difference	Notes
School Cash Online Donations				
Other				
Expenses:				
Christmas Staff Appreciation		\$300.00	-\$300.00	
Year End Lunch/Recognition		\$2,200.00	-\$2,200.00	
Bus Driver Appreciation - May		\$150.00	-\$150.00	
DW Poppy PAC Gaming Account - Budget/Actuals				
Income:	Actuals YTD	Budget 2023/2024	Difference	Notes
Gaming Grant				
Expenses:				
Dry Grad		400.00	-400.00	
Grad Walk/Breakfast		400.00	-400.00	
Grad Newspaper Feature		400.00	-400.00	The grad newspaper feature was not done in June 2023. Keeping as a Budget Line item in case this is reinstated.
Scholarships 2 x \$500		1,000.00	-1,000.00	
Team Uniforms for Athletic Dept - Annual		2,000.00	-2,000.00	

DPAC Report

- No report at this meeting as we still require a rep.

Old Business

- Discussions about the turf and our need for it.

New Business

- Beautification & modernization of Poppy, example, Mr. Harris is working to get a tech investment made into Poppy by the district.
- PAC Meetings for this school year will be on the 2nd Tuesday of the month with the next being October 10th.

Meeting Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 8:33pm by Kim & Sandra

Upcoming Meetings

- October 10, 2023
- November 14, 2023
- December 12, 2023
- January 9, 2024
- February 13, 2024
- March 12, 2024

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- April 9, 2024
 - May 14, 2024
 - June 11, 2024 (AGM)

Meetings are held at 7pm in the Library Learning Commons. Hope to see you there!

PAC MEETING AGENDAS and MINUTES ARE POSTED ON THE DW POPPY WEBSITE