

NISS PAC Meeting Minutes:

Meeting Date: Nov 7, 2018

Attendance: Jay Dixon, Shelley Frost, Bonnie Barratt, Christina Mardell, Trudy Lacasse, Sydney Frank

Call to Order: 4:20 pm

Additions to the Agenda: Requests for funds, DPAC Report

Acceptance of the Agenda (with additions): Shelley Frost – 1st, Christina Mardell – 2nd

Approval of Minutes from Sep 26, 2018: Christina Mardell – 1st, Jay Dixon – 2nd

Reports:

1. Principal's Report:

- a. Numeracy Assessment for grade 12s who didn't do it in June or wanted to re-do it. In January and June for grade 11s who need to do it. The assessment must be completed to get a diploma.
- b. NISS will be partaking in the GLA – Government Literacy Assessment test pilot for grade 11s. The exam will be replacing the existing Government exam.
- c. Cannabis at Schools – RCMP document was floated with the students. Jay was surprised with how fearful the kids are to get caught with any items on the document list as they will receive fines. Kids aren't using vapes as much as they can get fined if they get caught with them.
- d. Garden Courtyard Project – NISS has applied for a Grant. Sonja Strang is designing a plan. Jay is looking for a machine and operator to be able to fit through the double doors out to the courtyard.
- e. NISS has received a \$5000 Grant for Trades Awareness activities for the elementary school kids, grades 4 to 7 to get involved with activities at NISS.

2. Chair Report: No formal report

3. Treasurer's Report: \$8203.86 in the account after \$6984.00 of Grant funds was deposited. This amount was more than last year. It is based on the number of students. There is \$43.95 in the PAC chequing account. Rebecca Mackenzie was reimbursed for 6 Lock boxes \$425.51.

4. DPAC Report: DPAC has been getting stronger in the last 3 years. They would like to have a NISS representative. They have been having evening meetings beginning between 4:30 – 5:00pm and are split between Port McNeill and Port Hardy. They are looking at having dinner meetings. In Nov was the BLC PAC meeting with the new Chair being Alison Mercer. The DPAC's role is to be a go-between for the schools and the Board. They are bringing new ideas forward and info sharing. They received a \$2500 Grant which helps send people to conferences. They would like some of the money go to the Breakfast / Lunch programs or gardening projects.

Old Business:

- a. Connections Program is ongoing. Applewood Ford set up for students to go check out all the different jobs they do.

New Business:

- a. Request from Miss Mackenzie for six Lock Boxes for her Math classes. The total quote she got was \$425.51 or half would be \$212.00 – table to October Meeting.
- b. Connections Program – Small groups of kids go to see what kinds of jobs are available. Jay can line them up to job shadow to see if they like a job they might be interested in.
- c. Breakfast / Lunch Program – request from Stacia Johnson – tabled to next meeting.
- d. Request for new Volleyball uniforms. Jay spoke with the coach and he doesn't have any plans to take the kids away anywhere to compete. Corvin needs to talk to the girls and find out what they want to do. Wait to see what comes out of the team meeting.
- e. Request from Joy Whitworth for a new microwave in the multipurpose room. Motion forwarded by Bonnie Barratt to purchase 2 microwaves worth \$400 in value and to shop local. Sydney Frank seconded the motion.
- f. Request from Vicki McCrae to replace the serger machine in the Textiles room. Quote for up to \$350. Motion to support the purchase – Shelley Frost 1st motion, seconded by Sydney Frank.
- g. Request from Casey Mork for ice rental time for the gym department - \$600 – 3 sessions each for each of the gym classes - \$300 per semester. Will need a \$300 cheque for each semester. Bonnie Barratt put motion forward, seconded by Sydney Frank.
- h. Request from the Music and Art Clubs from Sarah Nielson for a donation. Jay will talk to her to provide a more tangible list of items.
- i. Request to sponsor the Breakfast / Lunch program. Bonnie Barratt put a motion forward to sponsor \$500 for now and to re-evaluate in the Spring, seconded by Shelley Frost.

Parent's Corner:

- A. Girl's Group started during long block once a week to talk about hot topics with teen girls.
- B. Need more online safety training for kids not just parents as kids don't understand the implications down the road of how sending pics, etc stays on the internet and can affect their lives down the road.

Next PAC Meeting: Dec 12, 2018

Adjournment: 5:45pm