**Killarney Secondary Parent Advisory Council (KPAC)**

**ZOOM Meeting**

**Meeting Minutes – Wednesday Oct 27, 2021, 07:00 PM**

1. **Welcome & Introductions**: Natalia Feschenko, Co-Chair

   - Meeting called to order at 7:01pm

   - Approval of Agenda **M/S/C**

   - Approval of previous minutes: Liz Jones & Mercedes Lee **M/S/C**

2. **KPAC Finance Report**

   - GAMING ACCOUNT

   - Sep 28th Balance $5,523.85

   - Gaming Funds Deposit $30,960

   - Oct 27 Balance = $36,483.85

   - Allocated: $35,030 to requests from staff.

   - An additional $1,600 from direct drive funding was allocated to requests that are considered not eligible for PAC funding and School will match that with $1,600 in funding.

   - General Account has $1,022 balance.

   - Direct Drive funds has a balance of $3,175 and $1,600 of that has been allocated to requests not eligible for gaming funds.

3. **Principal's Report -** Kal Gill

   - We are well into semester one as we come up to finishing 2 months of the school year. Please continue to monitor how your child is doing in this new format. Most students should be getting **daily homework**.

   - **Interim reports** containing a work habit and a comment were published on the My Education family portal on October 15<sup>th</sup>.

- The BC Shakeout earthquake drill was held on the afternoon of October 21st. The entire District participated in the drill, and it was an opportunity for the school to **review its emergency preparedness plan**.

- School was not in session for students on October 22nd as it was the Provincial Professional Development Day. Most of our staff were engaged in virtual conferences organized by their specialty teaching area associations.

- Thanks to PAC for once again receiving applications for gaming funds. The **deadline for staff to apply was October 15th**.

- The **Mini School Parent information night is being held on October 28th at 6:00 pm** in the auditorium. The Killarney Mini School is taking on a new direction. The Killarney Computer Science Mini School to start with its inaugural class in September 2022, is a Computer Science focused experience for highly motivated students. Students will experience an enriched math, science, and information technology curriculum (Grade 8-10) for the junior high school years, and then be able to focus on a specialty area for grades 10 – 12. The specialty areas include:
  - Programming (Machine Learning/Artificial Intelligence)
  - System Administrator
  - Network Administrator
  - Cyber Security
  - Robotics

District online registration for Mini Schools opens Nov. 8th, The mini school students in grades 9 and 10 will continue with the current model.

- The last day to purchase early bird pricing for the **Yearbook** ($40) is October 29th. The price goes up to $50 on November 1st.

- The first round of **Numeracy/Literacy assessments** will be happening in the week of November 1-5. Grade 10 students with PE in the first semester will do the Numeracy assessment on November 3rd and the Literacy assessment on November 5th. Students with PE in semester 2 will do their assessments in April.

- Grade 12 students also have to do the **Literacy 12 assessment**. Those students with English Studies 12 in the first semester will write the literacy assessment on November 1st. Students with English Studies 12 in semester 2 will write the Literacy assessment in April.
- The **Numeracy 10, Literacy 10, and Literacy 12 assessments** are graduation requirements. Students receive a proficiency mark of 1-4 corresponding to the proficiency levels of beginning, developing, applying, and extending.
- The Senior Girls Volleyball team won the **Van Tech Tournament** last week.

4. **Persons in attendance at this meeting:**

Bernard Soong (Vice-Principal), Cherryl Ramilo, Gary Lumangtad, Hahn Dong, Jeff Liu (Co-Treasurer), Kal Gill (Principal), Laila Ma, Liz Jones (Treasurer) (last year with us), Marsella Leung, Melissa Jiang, Mercedes Lee, Natalia Feschenko (Co-Chair), Osama El Bietar (Co-Secretary), Paula H, Rebecca Sanchez, Thi Thanh Hien Ngo, Thûy Do, Tiffany Yang, Tony Vu.

5. **Adjournment**: This meeting was adjourned at 8:02 pm
6. **Date of Next Meeting**: Nov 24, 2021 at 7:00 pm.