



SKSS PAC Executive Committee
Cory L: Chair, Barrie Vice-Chair, Erin M
 (Secretary/Treasurer/DPAC Rep#2), **Allison T** (DPAC Rep#1)

What exactly is PAC?
 The School Act gives parents the right, through Parent Advisory Councils (PACs), to provide feedback in their school. PAC is the officially recognized collective voice of parents of their school. A PAC, through its elected officers, may advise the school board, the principal and staff of the school respecting any matter relating to the education of the students and the school.

What is the role of PAC?

- To advise the school principal and staff on parents' views and feedback about school programs, policies, plans and activities.
- To organize PAC activities and events and endeavour to provide parent education.
- To encourage parent involvement in the school, and to support programs that promote parent involvement.
- To communicate with parents, and to promote co-operation between the home and the school in providing support for the education of children.
- To assist parents in accessing the system and to advocate on behalf of parents and students.
- To provide financial support for the goals of the PAC, as determined by its membership.
- To advise and participate in the activities of the District Parent Advisory Council (DPAC) and the BC Confederation of Parent Advisory Councils (BCCPAC).
- The business of the PAC shall be unbiased in respect of race, colour, religion, politics, family status, gender, sexual orientation or physical or mental ability. The PAC is not a forum for the discussion of individual school personnel, parents, or other individual members of the school community.

**SKSS PAC Meeting
 Minutes
 Thursday January 18, 2024, 7:00pm via Zoom**

- 1. Call to order @ 7:01pm. Land Acknowledgement.**
- 2. Education session: Review of Student Safety Data – Mr. Kirschner**

- The Principal's Council has been working hard on the Belonging Survey. 27 students are working on this project (grades 8-12 representation)
- This survey has had the largest response to any SKSS survey, with almost 800 students responding.
- By far, SKSS students report that they feel safe, belong, and have connections. However, we need to focus on the students who responded that they don't feel safe, they don't feel they belong, and they don't have connections with 2 or more adults on campus.
- The survey has given us the most in depth perspective we've had to this point, and the work will continue.
- With more than 30 clubs being offered at the school, the students are brainstorming ways to promote these opportunities for connection, and are planning a club fair at the beginning of next school year.
- This work is in line with our two SKSS goals which are Literacy, and Social-Emotional Well-being.
- Mr. Kirschner and the PAC would like to thank the Principal's Council students for their work on this, and we look forward to another update once their student interviews have taken place to give further insight into how we can help all students feel safe, connected, and part of the Titans Campus.

- 3. Adoption of the Agenda. Moved: Allie/Seconded: Erin.**



4. **Minutes of the last meeting.** Reviewed by Cory. Available on the SKSS Website. Accepted without amendment.
5. **Administration Report.** Mr. Kirschner welcomed parents back to the SKSS 2024 semester. It's been a busy startup to the year. There are a few staffing vacancies, with Mr. Stanus not back yet, and science 8 and 9 vacancies posted. A big thank you to the Drama, Music, and Link Crew teams for their work in December – as always, everything was so well done. Our Music program hit the ground running with January 10th performances at the Sagebrush. Provincial exams and French Immersion oral exams have also occurred, and our students were able to make it to these despite some challenging weather. For those students who were unable to attend, Mr. Kirschner is awaiting word from the Province for new dates – the Lower Mainland and Fraser Valley had complete shutdowns so we do expect some rescheduling for students who were snowed in. Stay tuned for more information on that as it becomes available. A reminder that January 29th and 30th are Project Completion Days. January 31st is the first day of Semester 2. February 2nd inservice will be coming up, with teachers being offered Indigenous content. February also brings our annual course selection, and dates will be through the 2nd and 3rd week of February. We look forward to welcoming the largest cohort of Grade 7s to SKSS in 15 years in 2024, with 255 students expected. The Titan Snack Program was successful in obtaining an additional \$19,000 in funds for the Titans Care program, providing warm food to students who are hungry at school.

Request to change the date of the February meeting to February 22nd. All in favour.

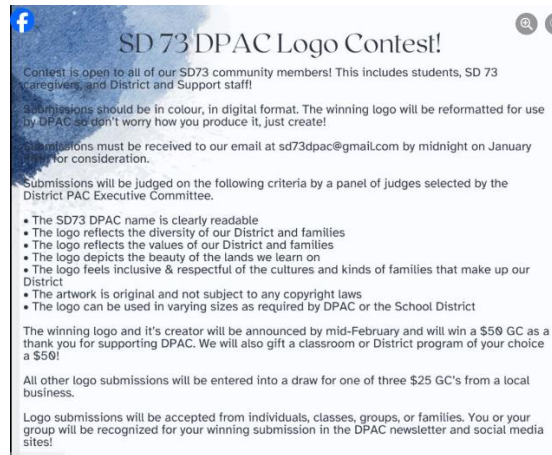
Respectfully submitted by Mr. Kirschner.

6. Old Business:

- a) **Legacy Grant** -We were unsuccessful in obtaining a legacy grant in the Fall cycle and will try again in March.
- b) **Next Education Session:** February we will plan to do the annual Course Selection parent session.
- c) **Review of the SD73 PAC Conference:** (Barrie). It was an interesting meeting, and an opportunity to connect with other PACs. Jazz Band performed and did a great job. We talked about fundraising, about Treasurer 101 duties. Plan is to have these opportunities for connection more often, and having more PACs come together.
- d) **Review of the Jan 16 meeting re:** BCCPAC resolutions (Erin). Erin and Barrie to work on a Resolution over the next month to ask BCCPAC to advocate to the Province for funding grants earmarked for safety equipment for school sports.



- e) **DPAC Logo Contest** is now open to any student, parent, or staff in the district. Prizes will be awarded. Help design the new DPAC logo. Contest closes on Jan 30th at midnight. Request to have Mr. Kirschner fan out to Art Students via Art Department to see if we can get an SKSS Student submission



- f) **Pineview Naming Contest** Thank you to Elwira who is on this committee representing the DPAC and SKSS. Request to have Mr. Kirschner see if the Aboriginal Student Group are interested in putting forth a name from SKSS Community.

7. Treasurer's Report:

- See report attached to the end of this agenda. Time to send out a reminder that winter/spring requests are due by the next meeting
- Fundraising updates – Gaming License done for one of the Football Licenses and Barrie has done all the accounting for this and he and Erin to submit the report before the Feb 1st deadline. The SKSS Music Fundraising team has successfully obtained an Electronic Raffle gaming license and we will try this out for the first time this year. It has several associated programs and costs, and we're not sure it'll be worth the expense overall, but it's worth a try.
- Erin was locked out of the SKSS Bank Accounts (again) because of a secret code put in by a past treasurer that we didn't know the answer to and couldn't bypass. We now have a new card for our gaming account so hopefully this is the last time we'll have to go through this process.
- Gaming Branch asked us to do a 20 question self-assessment which Erin filled out and returned per their request. Questions included asking us about our signing authorities, whether we use electronic fund transfers between our bank accounts, whether we give out bursaries, etc.
- Cory thanked Erin for her work as Treasurer making sure we adhere to and respond to Gaming P&P in a statutorily and fiducially responsible way. In response, Erin thanked Cory for being available pretty much 24/7 to troubleshoot and sign cheques. We have a good Titans Parent Volunteer team. We will be looking for a new treasurer next year as Erin completes her 4th straight year, which is all that is permitted per bylaws. Erin will stay around to mentor the new Treasurer, but please consider taking on this role next year!

Next Virtual General Meeting: February 22 - 7pm via ZOOM



8. New Business

9. **DPAC/BCCPAC Reports.** Allie reported back from BCCPAC and DPAC perspective. Topics included the Pineview naming, Trustee and Superintendent reports on literacy and high school completion rates (increases throughout all student populations!), and the School District being committed to ensuring students feel they belong. The Accessibility committee is looking for feedback on how to remove barriers, and there is a survey being circulated. The Legacy Grant Fall decisions have been made and circulated and SKSS was unsuccessful because we have so recently been awarded 2 grants. We are invited to apply again in the Spring. The Logo contest will be wrapping up soon and only a few submissions have been received. District and Community conversations with the city are ongoing, and the next one is for our SKSS catchment area, on January 24th in the evening at the Coast Hotel. This is an opportunity to give feedback on what matters to you in your community.

10. **Other Correspondence.** None.

11. **Adjournment.**

Next meeting:

Feb 22, 2024 07:00 PM
Apr 18, 2024 07:00 PM
May 16, 2024 07:00 PM
Jun 20, 2024 07:00 PM

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SKSS PAC – TREASURER’S REPORT– JANUARY 2024

Money situation at a glance:	
Gaming Opening balance at start of 2023/24 school year: \$20,240.00 (gaming funds received) + \$1,064.92 (left in account from last year) =	\$21,304.92
General Account Balance as of October 2023 (before any disbursements) =	\$2,145.54
Total Funds SKSS PAC has to play with for the 2023/24 school year =	\$23,450.46

Disbursements requested:

Requested By:	Department/Club:	Amt. Requested:	Amt. Approved:	Description of Request:	Cheques written so far	Still to be disbursed:
Mrs. Cooluris	Board Game Club - # students: "Hopefully Many"	\$300-\$500	\$300	Need to buy board games that take less than 45 min and have some entry level engagement.	0	\$300
Mr. Ilic	SKSS Car Club # students:5-20	\$1500	Deferred	2 Milwaukee cordless impact high torque drills with batteries and charger	Deferred	deferred
Mr. Yamaoka	South Kam Athletics # students: 300+	\$16,000	\$7,000	Various sports equipment (volleyball, basketballs, nets, etc) \$2500 Uniform replacement (Sr Girls Basketball, Sr Boys Basketball, Gold Girls Volleyball, Rugby) - \$7000 New purchases: Boys Volleyball Uniforms - \$1250 New purchases: football helmets \$569 per helmet	\$1114.34 (chq 202 Nov 10 – volleyballs) \$325.78 (chq 203 Nov 27 – field hockey masks) \$500 (chq 205 Jan 9 Football helmet decal) \$1042.67 (chq 205 Jan 9 Volleyballs)	\$4,017.21
Mr. Kozoris	Lunchtime intramurals program # students: 600-700	\$2000	\$0 (Walt to pay)	Funding for equipment, prizes, activities for all grades – for athletics, games, arts, spirit, rallies, contests, guest appearances, t-shirts, pride events, music (participatory and spectator events at lunch time)	\$0	\$0
Mrs. Tomm	Peer tutoring # students: 30	\$500	\$500	Peer tutoring student initiatives including care packages, games, etc	\$117.16 (chq 205 Jan 9, 2024)	\$382.84
Mrs. McRae	Choir/Jazz Combo # students: 140	\$1800	\$900	Jazz combo groups require music for the year and our SKSS choir requires choral folders for performances and new music. Also assistance to cover the cost of the sagebrush theatre for the department's dec 13 showcase concert.	\$547.44 (cheq 202 Nov 10/23)	\$352.56
Mrs. Fonseca	Titans Theatre Arts	\$2,886.00	\$2,000	Black magic camera and lens for performance recording	\$2000 (cheq 204 Dec 12)	\$0

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Mrs. Yamaoka	SKSS Art Club and Visual Arts	\$2,108.86	\$1,500	SKSS Art Club and visual art extra curricular for afternoon art club. Calendar.	\$0	\$1,500
Mrs. Poelzer	Math Contests	\$1,240.00	\$1,000	University of Waterloo contests, Canadian Computing Contest, Canadian Team contests	\$0	\$1,000
Mr. Ansley	Model UN	\$2,500.00	\$2,000	Help send SKSS students to Model UN in Vancouver	\$2,000	\$0
Mr. Ansley	Link Crew	\$2,000.00	\$0 (Walt to pay)	Hosting events such as grade 8 orientation week, terry fox run, Halloween spirit, winter spirit	\$0	\$0
Mme. Dion	SKSS Yoga Club	\$155.00	\$155.00	Supplies to help give students an opportunity to relax minds, create mental clarity	\$151.89 (cheq 202 Nov 10/23)	\$3.11
Mr. Ma	Ping Pong Club	\$1,000.00	\$500.00	Purchase of two ping pong tables	\$0	\$500.00
Mme. Jauregui	DELTA Club	\$140.00	\$0 (Walt to pay)	Fund two tuitions for DELTA	\$0	\$0
Mr. Dhaliwal	Field Hockey	\$1,400.00	\$0 (included in athletics)	Field hockey sticks, goalie helmet, dimple balls, ball cage, face masks	\$0	\$0
Mr. Dhaliwal	Girls' Rugby	\$4,000.00	\$0 (included in athletics)	4 tackle pads, 3 game balls, kicking tee, reverse pinnies, post pads	\$0	\$0
Bank Fees	BMO Bank Fees	\$2.50x12=\$30.00	\$30			
BCCPAC Fee	BCCPAC Membership	\$75.00	\$75	For 2024/25 school year (due at end of this year)		
Total amount requested		\$39,729.86				
Total Committed for fall Disbursement			\$15,960			
Total Still Available for Disbursement				Gaming Funds: \$5,344.92		General Funds: \$2,145.54

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