

Carihi Secondary School PAC Meeting
January 19th, 2015

Attendance:

Anne Farren	Sally MacGregor	Kate Morgan
Violet Shade	Fred Schaub	Sean Toal
Liz West	Deanna Kowalko	Tanza Davies
Meghan MacDougall		

Start:

7:01 pm

Introductions:

Introductions were made.

Special Guest:

Meghan MacDougall is one of the 7 teachers for the skills for life class in Carihi. She brought us down to see where all the action takes place. Meghan was very informative filling us in on what the students are using now through technology, how they interact with other students, teachers, and parents. The equipment that they own and some that they have had to borrow from the school district. She was extremely positive about the way things are going. There will be some changes in the future within the "Set BC" framework. We will wait to be updated next year.

Review of Past Minutes:

Minutes were accepted by Violet and seconded by Sally. All were in favour.

Treasurer's Report:

A detailed report was given to all in attendance and will be attached to these minutes.
- We have received the money from the School District that was applied for \$264.71.
- All expenses that are on the report have been pre approved.

Principal's Report:

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Notes on Principal's Report:

6. The surveys have been quite consistent throughout the years, there have been no significant changes.
7. This involves Grade 10 and 12 students as well as parents.
8. There has been a large amount of damage due to graffiti around the school, that will need to be repaired.

Vice Principal's Report:

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Notes on Vice Principal's Report:

Health and Safety:

There was an incident that has made the staff aware of some potential safety concerns with seeing into certain windows. These windows will be obscured so that no one will be able to see into them from the outside.

DPAC Report:

A reminder that there will be a math session for high school parents and students on Jan 21st at 6pm, in the Robron library.

Grad Report:

Everything is going well, we have continued with the ongoing fundraisers, including two bag days since our last meeting.

Old Business:

There was no old business to bring up.

New Business:

Liz has been approached by Brent Larmour for some money from PAC for new tennis equipment. The PAC has asked that we would like Brent to come in and present so that we may ask questions before deciding. Liz will let Brent know.

Next Meeting:

February 23rd at 7:30 right after grade 8 parent info session.

End:

8:30 pm

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Assessment Weeks:

- We will send out a syner-voice to explain the two weeks, especially for grade 9 parents
- Exam schedules are posted for students

Special Days / Assemblies / Presentations:

- Forestry Career Day January 20th pm MPR
- Poetry Slam (Literacy Week) January 27th Band-room
- Pro-D Day January 30th
- Carihi Wrestling Invitational Tournament, February 7th weekend
- BC Family Day February 9th, start of semester two Feb. 10th
- Grade 9 Immunizations Feb. 12 A-block
- Lock Down Drill Feb. 12th
- Tentatively booked an ICBC presentation for April 29th

Health & Safety:

- No emergency drills
- Awareness of strangers in the building
- Obscuring windows around the school (E115 / Woodshop)

Facilities:

- Beam-ends have been cut off and repaired with a water trip-edge (white paint) and will be completed once it warms up
- We received an additional \$ 4000.—for our garden project (Fencing, Hot-house, Water supply) through Community Links Funding

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1. Mock Exams next week; exams during assessment week, Feb. 2-6.
2. Student schedules for semester 2 out tomorrow – changes next week by appointment. Semester 2 starts February 10.
3. Report Cards – going out on February 16th.
4. Key dates for programming:
 - Feb. 18-20 Phoenix visits by counselors
 - Feb 23 (Monday) Grade 9 Parent meeting
 - February 24/25 Phoenix course selections
 - February 26/27 Carihi Class Visits
 - March 2 (Monday) Carihi Parent meeting
 - March 5/6 Carihi course selections
 - March 9 (tentative) Band Visits
5. Winter Sports Season
 - Sr. Boys Basketball – Mr. Wilson
 - Sr. Girls Basketball – Ms. Dunsmore
 - Jr. Boys Basketball – Mr. Jepson (sponsor); Mr. Perras, Mr. Shankar, and Liz!
 - Jr. Girls Basketball – Mr. Barnes
 - Wrestling – Mr. Kerluck and Mr. McKenzie
6. Grade 9 Transition Survey completed. Some key data:
 - 90% responded that school feels safe always or most of the time
 - 70% responded that most or all of the older students were welcoming (5% responded none)
 - 86% of students are enjoying at least 2 of their 4 classes. 62% , 3 or all
 - 95% understand how they are expected to behave at Carihi
7. Ministry Satisfaction Survey to be completed in March/April
8. District Calendar Committee: input sought for development of 3 year calendar.