

KVHS PSSC Meeting – Feb.24th, 2020

Carolyn McCoy called meeting to order at 6:34. We did once around the table, quick re-introductions.

Any additions to agenda? None.

Motion to approve (Tracey McPhee) seconded by Curtis Langille.

In attendance: JoEllen Jensen (Principal), Carolyn McCoy (Chair), Teri Fearn, Andrew MacBean, Carmen Atkinson, Tracey MacPhee, Stephanie Costain, Marty McCarthy, Ingrid Harris, Curtis Langille, Roger Nesbitt, Rosemarie Kingston, Rose Colli.

Regrets: Bill Allen, Jennifer LeBlanc, Elizabeth Hall, Kellie Sisk, Jana Comeau

Motion to approve minutes from last meeting made and seconded.

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1. Principal's Report: Van Gogh art exhibit: travelling Canadian art exhibit. Perfect attendance breakfast was held for 2nd semester. Smallest group so far. Had staff appreciation week. Had blood drive today, 55 signed up, high 30's of people came, close to 30 completed. Going to put in application for "Bring Your Own Device" availability at school.

Changes to high school program coming: English 11 will be divided into two semesters rather than a yearlong course. Can be taken concurrently. Math 10 will be split into two courses, each a semester in length. Grade 9's will need 18 credits to graduate. Will still need two math credits. Personal interest course 1&2, credit courses, something they're interested in, self-study, goals set with their facilitator, some kids working on investing, engineering, special effects makeup, etc... Being assessed on global competencies. All working together in same space but on their own specialty.

Upcoming events: Pink day, weed out the risk day, geography challenge, split parent-teacher day: 1st one Apr. 8th in the evening; Apr.17th in the morning.

Looking for input on grad 2021. Have grad and prom in same day, grad and SafeGrad on same day, other ideas? Looking for ways to minimize appeal of Shakedown Ranch. Considerable time spent discussing ShakeDown and what might be done about it.

Vaping cessation program: Vapefree.me website. Punishments in place for vaping but this addresses why they do it, how they might quit, etc... They may run the website via advisory class. May be required to register for program if caught vaping in school. Will be sent in a Friday email to let parents know about it.

2. Student leadership report: before exams, emphasis was on combatting stress; February was focused on love, inclusivity, different types of love, relationships, etc... Flowers were sold, students/staff could order flowers, proceeds to Bobby's Hospice in memory of students' mothers. Belinda's Bash: fun-filled night with friends, like a kid's birthday party. Swinter, coffee house coming up.
3. Once around the table.

Next meeting: Apr.20th, 6:30.

Motion to adjourn: moved by Curtis, meeting adjourned.