

# Okanagan Skaha DPAC Meeting Minutes

## Tuesday, May 28, 2024 6:30 PM

### Summerland Secondary School Library

#### Business items

- Call meeting to order - Lindsay called to order at 6:35
- Land Acknowledgement
  - *We respectfully acknowledge that we live, work, play & learn on the ancestral unceded territory of the Okanagan Sylix, in particular the Penticton Indian Band.*
- Introductions - attended by Lindsay Chandler, Katie Weitz, Todd Manuel, Dave Stathers, Sharon Otke and Lara Huges
- Pass Tonight's meeting agenda - motion made by Sharon, second by Lara
- Approve April 2024 meeting minutes motion made by Sharon, second by Lara

#### Superintendent Report

- Based on the Ministry mandate regarding cell phones in school, an updated policy was created to be sent to the Ministry in July.
  - Expectation for Elementary and Middle school- phones away while in school. Can be used to support safe arrival
  - Expectations for Highschool- phones away unless directed to be used by classroom teacher
- Updated policy regarding Dress Code - work completed by Michelle Martin
  - Clothing appropriateness to be determined by parents and students
    - caveat to that is if clothing creates a hostile environment, represents drug, alcohol or violence
- Next School Board meeting - Wednesday May 29 at Summerland Secondary
  - Trustees will get a tour of new SSS gym

#### Trustee Report - Dave Stathers

- Budget shortfall of 865k - reduced from 1.4 million originally projected at start of Budget Committee
  - Budget cuts to administration, admin support. Budget cuts kept as far away from direct instruction and classrooms as possible
  - With LRF approval, optimistic large cuts will not be required next year
  - Cuts seen by trustees as fair and equitable
- New Gym on track and on budget - floors for June then parking and exterior work on the summer
- New Tennis Courts completed- partnership with District of Summerland and School District
- BC Summer Games to be held in Penticton 2028 - will rely on use of schools and facilities
- Trustees attended Learning Plan forum - very informative

#### Treasurer Report - Sharon

- Operating: see attached report
- Gaming: see attached report

#### New Business

- Gaming Grant Spending
  - \$1000 left to be spent or will returned to Gaming
    - Sharon will inquire about book purchases to be used next year for parent nights
    - Suggestions: Salema Noon, local Indigenous authors, Anxiety and

change support for parents

- Succession planning
  - Will depend on results of AGM
  - Brainstorming regarding how to engage schools
  - Suggestion to have DPAC Exec attend PAC meetings to explain DPAC and its role
- AGM - June 18, 2024
  - Official notice of AGM
  - All positions to be voted on

**Old Business:**

- No additions

**Round Table - no additions**

**Next Meeting: Tuesday, June 18 @ 6:30 pm at siyá? House**

**Motion to dismiss!**