

École Secondaire Kelvin High School

Parent Advisory Council

Meeting Minutes November 22, 2023 6:30 p.m.

PAC Officers

ChairGiovanni SpinaPresentSecretaryTammy Marlowe JohnsonPresentTreasurerRachael KingPresentSouth District RepresentativeSara McIvor-ProutyRegretsSouth District French Immersion RepresentativeMonica AikmanPresent

School Representatives

PrincipalTimothy CoxPresentVice PrincipalMelanie CharbonneauPresent

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 6:39 p.m.

2. Approval of the Agenda

Giovanni Spina will make one small adjustment to the agenda.

No other objections were raised.

3. Approval of the Minutes from Previous Meeting

As no objections were raised, the October PAC meeting minutes were adopted by consensus.

4. Old Business

No old business was addressed.

5. Reports

5.1 Administration

Timothy Cox spoke to the group: very busy at Kelvin these days.

ARCTIC RESEARCH PROGRAM

Group of 12 Gr 11 and 12 students went to Churchill – school in Norway House, take the train up Arctic Research Program.

Ongoing trip for many years.

There for 5 days.

Kelvin students get to work with graduate students, help track the bears year over year.

Photos to be shared – polar bears, wildlife, etc.

Create posters for research symposium and will present later this year.

For biology and chemistry classes, this is an opportunity to apply to a real research setting.

CHOIR CAMP

Took place.

IB SYMPOSIUM

Focused on engineering.

Grades 11-12 – kind of like a career symposium. Apply some of the world of work.

Lots of kids do apply directly into the Faculty of Engineering.

PARENT TEACHER INTERVIEWS

Were virtual this year.

Convenient for parents and teachers.

Attendance stronger with virtual option.

SPORTS

- JV Girls are X Country provincial champs.
 - Football team lost in the semis in their conference.
- 6 volleyball teams both varsity teams lost in the city finals.
- Fielded both boys and girls Grade 9 teams.
- Hockey both up and running (boys and girls).
- Girls program returned for the first time in six years.
- Lots of Grade 9s very enthusiastic.
- Indoor track has started 172 kids. 7 a.m. the halls and gym are full!

UPCOMING

HOLIDAY BREAKFAST

- Presentation by Holiday Breakfast Team's Annika and Annette, Grade 12.
- Whole team comes together celebrate a festive morning to remember.
- This year we are welcoming Clifton Elementary School - 135 kids.
- December 8
- Kids and Buddies gifts, goys and Santa
- Leaders, Holiday Breakfast Team = 10 committees +/- = leaders in each committees
- Entire school participates

- Students come at lunch to make decorations
- Track team makes the breakfast
- Staff supervises activities
- Pancakes, sausages, fruit
- 20 leaders, over 100 buddies
- Thank you for your continued support of this cherished Kelvin tradition!

HAMPERS

We support approximately 25 Kelvin families with hampers (foodstuffs and gift cards). Letter went out last week, cash donations to the Heritage Fund.

CHOIR

Concert on December 12

SCHOOL PLAY

Runs November 29-December 1
Silver collection or minimal cost.

CLASS ACT

Similar to Kelvin's Got Talent

Runs December 22 in the morning.

An opportunity for students to showcase any amount of talent.

Submit a video performing – curated.

Offered every second year.

Bands, comedians, dancers, etc.

EXAMS

Provincial Standardized for Grade 12.

Coming up in January.

ELA, FLA and Math (3 levels).

20% of their grade.

Kelvin Exam Week

Grade 9s and 10s – more about exposure, 15%, written in their classrooms.

Grade 11s and 12s – more for experience of post-secondary, in the gym, max 20%.

Alternative settings are available for student comfort/needs.

We want students to be successful!

GUESTS at PAC

School Trustee Kathy Hoeppner will join us in January.

MLA Mike Moroz has submitted a letter.

We have input, voice at the divisional level.

ACTION ITEM: Giovanni Spina to reach out to Kathy Heppner to invite her to our January meeting.

ACTION ITEM: Timothy Cox to invite to MLA Mike Moroz for March 13, 2024.

5.2 Student Council

No report.

5.3 Student Activities

Holiday Breakfast Presentation as outlined above.

5.4 Student Athletics

As summarized in the Administration Report above.

5.5 PAC Report

We went to the bank!

In order for students/student groups to fundraise, it has to be approved by PAC. Anything initiated by parents has to be run through PAC.

Hockey Sponsorship Drive - \$5,000+ dollars. Hockey Trivia Night – 250 tickets at \$25 Hoping to make about \$10,000.

Rachael happy to offer template / share information about process with any other groups.

GRAD committee is another fundraising group that will come through PAC. Historically, an environmental group came through, as well as student council. No large expenditures from this PAC over the last few years.

Possible PAC Fundraising Initiatives:

ie: Secure Bike Compound.

Ie: Football Bleachers.

le: ESD Outdoor Learning Space.

ACTION ITEM: Timothy Cox to consult students/staff for wish lists and provide possible projects for PAC to consider fundraising for.

6. New Business

No new business.

7. Next Meeting

The next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, January 14, at 6:30 p.m.

8. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 7:17 p.m.