

# Samuel Robertson Technical Secondary

## Parent Advisory Committee

### Attendance

Sabrina Mattson, Peggy Loran, Debra Cameron, Shannon Roberts, Nicole Faigaux, Nancy McNeil, Loreen Martin, Patricia Sneddon, Angela McFadyen, Rachel Thompson, Carly Ollmann, Jill Ogloff, Barb Taylor, Dennis Dickson-SRT, Anelma Brown-SRT

1. Call to Order- The meeting was called to order and we began
2. Introductions – The committee was introduced

Sabrina Mattson – Chair

Peggy Loran – Vice Chair

Barb Taylor – Secretary

Nancy McNeil – Treasurer

Jill Ogloff – DPAC Rep

3. Minutes

The minutes from May 30, 2016 were presented for approval. A motion was made to adopt the minutes. Upon motion unanimously carried the minutes were approved.

4. Committee Reports:

Direct Access Grants and Financial Report

General account doesn't really ever change, has \$49.71 in it

Gaming

account has \$7970.00 in it but there are still a few cheques to

come out and once that is done there will be about \$3400.00 left.

We are still waiting on the district to return receipts from last year, this is an ongoing problem.

Application for gaming funds has been sent in and is awaiting to see what we will get this year. The amount is usually \$20 per student.

Requests were sent out to the teachers for what they would like from the gaming funds. There are rules on what the money can be used for and the teachers know this and will submit based on this criteria. Funds are distributed by the PAC once all requests are in, there will be a special meeting to decide this in October. Ms. Walton would like to come to our next meeting to be our guest speaker. She would like to share some ideas she has for the school community.

DPAC report: Sept 17<sup>th</sup> meeting cancelled. Sept. 29 will be the first meeting at Whonnock Elementary.

#### 5. SRT Administration Report

Dennis:

Have 719 Students and 66 trade students

Will not grow beyond 150 students per grade until 2020. Grade 12 only have 119 students this year.

We want the kids to take 8 or 9 courses because it means more staffing, Online courses do not count towards staffing.

New Grad requirements will begin next year, don't know exactly what that will look like

This year we have 42 teachers, 10 Ed Assistants

Only 5 classes have over 30 students

Hired a new tech teacher this year but he quit after just 1 week and we are now looking for a replacement.

New Child Care Worker came from outreach program

New Counsellor this year as well

Morning cafeteria service is gone and the chef is now teaching an afternoon baking class instead.

Composition of classes is good

Start up was good this year, all went smoothly

We have no newsletters this year, instead everything can be found on the following – SRT App, Website, Twitter or Facebook

Athletics is still looking for a coach for junior girls volleyball, all other fall sports have coaching.

Awards Assembly has been changed to 9:30 on Oct. 6

There has been a push to change the timetable to add some FLEX blocks, all the other high schools have moved to this type of timetable. We will start this in Sept. 2017, possibly will try it starting in January 2017. The motto for this new timetable will be, PLAY, PASSION, PURPOSE Still brainstorming great ideas on what could be taught/done during this flex time.

Anelma:

Grade 8- Zones of mindfulness

Green Zone – ready to learn

Red Zone – ready to blow your top

Learning different coping and way to be mindful of others

Halloween Dance will be in the Cafeteria this year on Oct. 27

Mario Iannuzzi will be coming to speak to the students, date to be determined.

6. Old Business – None

7. New Business

Do we want to change the time of the meeting to 7:15 or keep it at 7:00 pm. This is due to parking and soccer on the field.

It was decided to keep the meeting at 7:00 pm

8. Adjournment – 8:15 pm

Next meeting: October 17, 2016

