

# Kate Andrews High School Parent Council Meeting Minutes

April 30, 2018

7 pm

**Present:** Cindee Nyrose, Daniel Grimes, Diane Gallagher, Sherrie Duda, Kris Van Wieren, Sharon Rutledge, Debbie Laturus, Tanya Wurzer, Grace Martin, Tamara Hoogerdyck, Shannon Kasko, Heather Lee.

1. **Call to Order** - 7 pm by Sherrie Duda
2. **Welcome and Introductions**
3. **Additions/Adoption of Agenda** - Diane Gallagher moved to accept agenda. Kris Van Wieren seconded. Carried.
4. **Adoption of Minutes** - Cindee Nyrose moved to accept minutes from February 5, 2018. Seconded by Tanya Wurzer. Carried.
5. **Business Arising from Minutes** - none
6. **Reports**
  - 6.1. **Trustee Report** - Sharon Rutledge (report attached)
  - 6.2. **Principal's Report** - Daniel Grimes
    - 6.2.1. **Experiential Learning Week** May 7-11. Good variety of experiences for students; the school will be covering some costs for the week this year. These experiences feed into long term goal of highschool redesign.
    - 6.2.2. **Grade 9 Orientation** Wednesday, May 2. Mr. Grimes went to RI Baker last week to meet with grade 8 students.
    - 6.2.3. **Staffing for next school year:** KA will be seeking a new athletic director as Austin Davenport is taking a position in Lethbridge for next year.
  - 6.3. **Student Rep Report** - None
  - 6.4. **Teacher Rep Report** - Grace Martin

Skills Canda: A group of KA students participated in Skills Canada at Lethbridge College. 3 Bronze medals were won in Auto mechanics, photography and baking. One gold was won in Fashion design by Sian Hernandez and she may attend provincials if she is able.

Band Trip: Mr. Godin and Ms. VanWieren just returned with his band students from their trip to Sun Peaks Music Festival in Kamloops. The band received a gold award and had opportunities for adjudication workshops, instrument intensive sessions and a mass band experience. It was a very positive experience for all involved.

Shed the Mask: Friday, April 27, the 10-20-30 drama class and students in the extracurricular drama production attended the Shed the Mask drama festival at U of L. Both productions will be performed at KA on May 8, 9 for the public.

Travel club: A trip to Berlin, Prague, Krakow, and Budapest is planned for April 2019. Mr. Gibson and Ms. VanWieren are organizing. The trip has been approved by Palliser head office.

Decades Dance: Organized by students' council, this took place at the end of April. It was attended by about 30 students.

WE: The last WE Wednesday lunch will be May 30 after which the WE Create Change group will publish a list of all the causes they have targeted for donations with this year's campaign.
7. **Old Business**
  - 7.1. **Grade Reconfiguration** - Details in Trustee Report

- 7.2. **Formation of KAHS Fundraising Society** - Still awaiting Society Formation approval.
- 7.3. **Lighting outside of School** - some new bulbs have been replaced along the side of the school where bulbs were burnt out.
- 8. **New Business**
  - 8.1. **KA Fire** - March 27, 2018 there was a small fire in the construction classroom started when welding sparks ignited come coveralls behind the welding stations. Mr. Grimes and Mr. Horlacher were present and extinguished the fire very quickly with a fire extinguisher. Dust from the extinguisher was spread throughout that wing of the school so affected students were evacuated to the library. Because the fire was extinguished so quickly, the fire alarm was not pulled. The Coaldale Fire Department arrived shortly after the incident to help ventilate the wing and review the situation with Mr. Grimes. There has been discussion about protocols but the Fire Department has confirmed that student safety was maintained despite the fact that the fire alarm was not pulled.
- 9. **Next Meeting Date**
  - 9.1. **Future meeting dates** - Monday June 11, 2018 at 7 pm.
- 10. **Adjournment** - Sharon Rutledge moved to adjourn meeting. Grace Martin seconded.

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Chairperson, Sherrie Duda

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Secretary, Diane Gallagher