KLO Middle School Parent Advisory Council
Regular Meeting
Monday, October 19, 2015; 6:30 p.m.
KLO Middle School Library, 3130 Gordon Drive, Kelowna, BC

No quorum; meeting continued to accommodate presentations, but no motions could be passed

1. Agenda

2. Minutes
   a. Minutes of September 21, 2015 to be adopted at the November 16, 2015 meeting

3. Presentations
   a. Please keep presentations to five minutes to allow time for follow up questions and answers
      i. Yolanda Kyrwulak; 2015 Poinsettia Fundraiser update
      ii. Garth Dupre: KLOMS gymnasium mural funding request
         1. KLO Middle School will consider hiring Vancouver artist Dean Lauze who completed many of the gymnasium murals in School District 23 including KSS, George Elliott, OKM, Const. Neil Bruce, Dr. Knox and Spring Valley
            a. His work leaves a lasting impression and can have a tremendous impact on our schools pride, spirit and culture
            b. His work can be viewed at www.lauze.com
            c. Since the gym floor will be sanded in the summer of 2016 the opportunity exists then to complete a centre circle and complete the murals on the gym wall at the same time to save on costs, note Principal White
               i. Mr. White, who saw first hand the excellent art work completed at Spring Valley said the expansive art work there was completed for $22,000; and the gym was twice the size, he noted
         2. Mr. Dupre stated that the current state of the gym doesn't match the amazing dynamic of the kids who energetically use it
         3. The gym is worn, dated and dreary
         4. Like the library the gym is the heart of the school and often times the first thing seen by the public here in Kelowna and from visiting teams abroad - it should be a true representation of the school
         5. The gym is used for more than sports, it's also needed for craft fairs, assemblies, etc.
         6. If it's a go ahead, Mr. Dupre said student mentorship classes and Student Voice would be approached about ideas for the art work
         7. Cheryl stated the mural was a great idea adding that the current state of the gym is horrid and almost embarrassing
         8. Beth said while she thought the work was amazing, she wondered if at a potential cost of $22,000 if quotes from other artists could be obtained
            a. Mr. White and Mr. Dupre stated that they would be more comfotable going with the work of a known artist whose work is widely seen and depended upon in School District 23, stating we can already see the results and that brings assurances
               9. They believe the work is fairly priced for the extent of art provided
         10. Beth asked if the funding could come out of the gaming account
         11. Janet confirmed that as long as the project was of proven benefit to student gaming funds could be used for a capital project such as this
   iii. Pam Horton: Star Lab funding request
      1. Ms. Horton stated that the Star Lab is an effective, efficient and affordable program for student who otherwise can't afford to attend the HR MacMillan Planetarium in Vancouver or adequately see stars from within the city due to extensive light pollution
2. Light pollution in combination with the changing seasons makes it difficult to get a full view of the night sky to create a full learning experience for the Astronomy component on Science 9
3. Star Lab solves these issues
4. The Vernon Science Centre sets up in Room 30 and accommodates 30 students in the Star Lab Display as the stars of the night sky are displayed on the roof of the dome and presented by a knowledgeable astronomer who is more than capable of answer all students, and sometimes even teacher, questions
5. The cost of the HR MacMillan program, which was last brought in three year ago, was $2,800 at the time, making the Vernon Science Centre a much better alternative at less than half the price of $1,268
6. The Star Lab is available from Vernon for three full days, to fully accommodate all KLOMS Grade 9 Science students plus provide time for a couple Grade 6 classes from feeder schools to attend if they wish

iv. Michelle Harvey; Mobile Maker Carts
1. The objective of the Maker Carts is to provide a different, hands on pathway to learning b allowing hands on learning rather than just having things explained
2. This approach will be in line with the coming new curriculum for BC Schools
3. The Maker Program will increase the amount of inquiry in the classroom
4. The school currently has no extra room to create an entire Maker Classroom, so the Maker Carts are an ideal alternative and they can be equipped with all sorts of materials, that could either be purchased or donated
5. Four carts would be ideal
6. Similar Maker Program at Dr. Knox has 3D Printers
7. Jason asked why our school does not have 3D printers
8. Mr. White explained that it was a funding choice; Dr. Knox would have chosen to purchase the printers with their budgets in place of something else and now KLOMS is at that point where it is presented with possible options and must decide if that's the path it too wants to take
9. Jason requested that Ms. Harvey come back to the PAC with the price of a 3D printer for consideration of funding support
10. Beth stated that this kind of learning was long overdue

v. Yolanda Krywaluk: KLOMS PAC Fundraising
1. Poinsettias will again be offered this year starting October 26 and three colors will be available again at $12 each; Devries will also provide wreaths for $30 and table toppers for $15
2. Payments will be due in November 13, the order will go in November 17 to allow a couple days for late payments
3. The plants will be available for pick up at the school, at the end of classes on Tuesday, November 24
4. Yolanda stated she would need help with organizing the pick up day and Janet offered to assist
5. Yolanda also stated she would be happy to go in and photo copy all the forms and distribute to M block; but KLOMS staff graciously offered to do this on the PAC’s with much appreciation given
6. Staff also said it would promote the sales on the website and in the school newsletter/email feed
7. Order forms were to go out at M Block on October 26
8. Mr. White also stated that the school would be willing to provide incentive prices for the students who sold the most poinsettias

vi. Tom Klassen: Choir Risers
1. Choir risers have been purchased at many other schools including Casorso and KSS due to the fact that they have to be ordered so far in advance for concerts and events and even then there is no guarantee of getting them
2. Sometimes risers for concerts and events need to be ordered a year in advance, Mr. Klassen noted.
4. Is KLO MS had its own risers, each level would fit five students for a total of 20 students per riser, including the floor level for a total of 60 students.
5. In addition to concerts these risers could be used for WEBB presentations, Christmas Concerts, etc.
6. The cost is $6,000 plus taxes and delivery for a permanent set of hardware for the school as opposed to the potential ongoing cost of $5,000 per year for renting out the Kelowna Community Theatre.
7. The question was also raised as to whether KLOMS could rent out the risers to other schools and Mr. Klassen said it was a possibility but the logistics of that would need to be looked into further.

vii. Battle of the Books, Debra Holmes
1. Mr. Holmes thanks the KLOMS PAC for its tremendous support of Battle of the Books over the past three years.
2. She stated that the quality of the books has gone up tremendously over the past few years because of this support and the rejuvenation of the titles has generated great interest and enthusiasm among the students.
3. The books are available to students all the time not just during battle of the books.
4. 40 new novels are needed for each title for the Battle of the Books and the cost is about 15 per book.
5. Teachers also want to make sure each novel is available on the Curswell program and there is a cost to the licensing for that as well.
6. Ms. Holmes is also requesting funding for about 12 prizes per grade level.

viii. Michelle Harvey: Library Art Project
1. Ms. Harvey would like funding for canvasses and supplies to work with students in Grade 9 Social Studies and English classes to create larger scale art works to line the Library walls.
2. The project would liven up the library, creating a brighter more stimulating learning atmosphere.
3. The cost of canvasses, paint and brushes would be approximately $1,500.

4. Reports
   a. Vice Principal Raelyn Larmet
      i. Presentation of wooden turtle to thank PAC for funding and support of the restoration of Fascieux Creek.
   b. Principal Troy White
      i. Introduction of redesigned curriculum
         1. Provincial government and BCTF have made arrangements for professional development days to become familiar with the new curriculum; recent professional development day in October was held for that purpose.
         2. School trustees will be able to amend the calendar without consultation to accommodate preparedness for new curriculum; two days of professional development will be added to introduce the new curriculum across the province - two days or 10 hours total.
         3. Our district will have next early release day - November 25.
         4. Staff is excited about curriculum.
   c. Treasurer Janet Dillon
      i. Gaming funds update: KLOMS PAC received $16,980 based on 848 students @ $20/student.
      ii. Bill paid for our half of the drinking fountain and installation: $2,886 taken from the general fund.
      iii. Janet is also looking into details of a $1,900 invoice for plants for Fascieux Creek Restoration.

5. New business
   a. Funding requests are to be decided upon at the November 16, 2015 meeting after the KLOMS PAC received funding requests for the following at the October 19, 2015 meeting as follows:
i. Battle of the Books: $2,000
ii. Star Lab: $1,268
iii. WIN Program: $750
iv. Choir risers: 4, for $6,000 total plus tax and shipping of $1,587
v. Math Challengers Program: $490
vi. Hands free microphone and headset: $482
vii. Social Studies and English art project: $1,564
viii. Mobile Maker Carts: $1,250
ix. Gymnasium mural cost sharing: $4,500 to $7,500 for 50% of the cost

b. KLOMS PAC’s annual bursaries contribution will also be considered at the November 16, 2015 meeting
i. $1,575, for three bursaries at $500 each, plus a $25 administration fee per bursary

c. Requests are also expected for the annual Author Visit and a KLOMS PAC request for costs on a 3D printer for the Makers Program carts

6. Meeting adjourned at 8:50 p.m.

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