

Kildonan East Collegiate PAC

March 18, 2024 – 6.30pm

In Attendance

- Barb Bogen
- Deb Wilkinson
- Karolyn Karpins
- Charles Elemchukwu-Ohia

- Melissa Oertel
- Marjorie Millman
- Karen Blatz
- Olaide Yusuf

Approval of minutes of last meeting –

- Motioned by Deb Wilkinson
- Approved by Charles

New Business

The staff appreciation lunch has been slated for April 22nd 2024.

A budget of \$500 - \$600 has been proposed for the lunch and there have already been \$60 in donations sent in.

Questions about how to support or help with the Lunch can be sent to Barb Bogen at the PAC email.

Principal's Report

- Current student enrollment is approximately 1,384.
- Both KEC and Murdoch MacKay will be launching an experimental Carpentry Intensive curriculum.
- The Brandon Jazz Festival was attended by the KEC school jazz band where they put up a brilliant performance.

- The Turnaround Awards for students, hosted by Mrs. Millman was held at the end of January. This is to celebrate students who have "turned things around" both socially and academically.
- At the start of February, KEC welcomed MADD to our school to talk to students about the dangers of drinking/drugs and driving. This is usually done in grade 10 before the students start to drive.
- The choir students of KEC participated in a January concert where their singing enthralled guests and was described as beautiful.
- On February 21, KEC had an open house; the variety of programming that KEC has to offer was showcased; beyond its specialized vocational programs.
- On Friday, March 15th, the KEC Safe Grad Parent Committee hosted a fantastic bingo game.
- KEC's IDM (Interactive Digital Media) students spent 3 days over a
 weekend creating "playable masterpieces" (video games) in an annual
 weekend event known as the Winnipeg Game Jam.
- A couple of KEC culinary and pastry students competed for positions in Skills Manitoba on Saturday, March 16th, in the Culinary or Pastry Arts divisions.
- The season of basketball was a huge success as both boys' teams
 ultimately emerged as the KPAC [Kilcona Peguis Athletics Conference] Tier
 1 winners while the girls performed admirably as well.
- KEC's boys' hockey team were silver medalists in the Price Playoffs against Murdoch MacKay
- The curling team placed 3rd in the playoffs
- Badminton and indoor track are now in full swing.
- KEC's counseling department held a Bell Let's Talk Day event at the school. We encouraged students to come together to show support to each other and end the stigma often associated with mental health.
- Ookomis (grandmother) Lisa comes and visits the school every month in order to talk to students and share stories about indigenous life and culture.
- While the heating renovation is going on smoothly
- Unfortunately the challenges with the vandalization of the boys' bathroom doors continue to be a concern.

Staffing:

- Following her knee surgery, Ms. Joanne Zahaiko is presently on leave and in her place, Ms. Dana Sands will act as Vice-Principal until her expected return in late April or early May.
- In place of Ms. Natica Warmington, who is about to take maternity leave, a new hairstyling teacher has been hired for her.
- At the end of March, Ms. Vanessa Romans will depart to take a position as a divisional EAL support teacher for the RETSD. She is due back to KEC in the fall. The interview process for a resource teacher is underway.
- For two months, Ms. Janet Isaac-Martens will be on leave. A candidate to fill her role has almost been concluded.

Financial / Treasures Report

A total of \$118.40 is in the PAC account to put towards the staff appreciation lunch.

Next Meeting

Monday May 27th at 6:30pm is tentatively booked, but will be confirmed by May 1 if we deem it needed.

Meeting Adjourned

The meeting was adjourned by Barb and came to an end at 7:34pm