

March 2, 2021

**Mount Baker  
Secondary  
School**



**MBSS PAC Meeting Minutes**

**March 2, 2021 7:00 pm via zoom**

- **In Attendance:** Liz, Lies, Christina, John, April, Kelly, Dave H., Jill C., Kaley W., Chris J and others
- **School Board Trustee report – Chris Johns**
  - Over 500 responses to the survey regarding the replacement or renovation of Baker – results will be published at a later date as the survey only just closed.
  - District Student Council has been re-established
  - SD5 is petitioning the PHO and MoH to get vaccinations for school staff expedited
  - Audit of special needs students in the district last year resulted in a funding loss – \$1.8M of district funds are needed to help support these kids – district is writing to get more funding
  - Report on apprenticeship programs in our district is being undertaken
  - Information on district policies and advocacy available on the SD5 website
- **Principal's report – Dave Hill**
  - Valentine's Day chocolates were a big hit at Baker – thanks DPAC!
  - Basketball has started – drills and skills by cohort groups afterschool
  - Grad – still looking at a drive thru commencement – also looking at doing the lawn signs recognizing the Class of 2021
  - Course selection in progress for grade 10's and 11's
  - Grade 9 students getting prepped for Baker – course selection and meeting with counsellors coming up
  - Scholarship applications are now open for graduating students
  - Report cards coming out this week for Quarter 3
- **DPAC Report – Lies Salvador**
  - Great turn out at last DPAC meeting – 13 schools represented
  - Several online/virtual events happening in the district for students – Quantum LEAPS for girls interested in STEM starts March 8<sup>th</sup>. See SD5 website for more.

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- **Treasurer's report – Christina Hall**
  - We have \$4200 left in gaming funds – still have a \$2000 computer bill to pay
- **New Business – Scholarships** – PAC has already approved \$8000 to go towards scholarships – review is underway to make sure we are providing awards to a broad range of students and targeting subject areas that do not receive funding from other outside sources. The scholarship committee makes the decision as to who receives each award with input from teachers and coaches.
- **MBSS 70<sup>th</sup> Birthday Celebration** – on April 6<sup>th</sup>, MBSS will be 70 years old. Ideas for a celebration – find some alumni from the first grad class, have treats for students, make the week a “community or spirit week” ....this is also Green Day commemorating the Humboldt Broncos and raising awareness for organ donation. Liz will discuss ideas with Dave, Chris, Jill and Kaley.
- **Traffic and Speeding issues** – the stretch of road between WFP and KES/Baker is becoming dangerous with speeding vehicles including city busses. It is a designated park and school zone with a limit of 30km/h. Lies has talked to Const. Katie and there has been an increased police presence. Lies will write a letter to the SD5 requesting speed signs. Kaley also suggested getting some of the leadership students to wear orange vests and stand by the crosswalk as a visual reminder for vehicles to slow down.

**Next Meeting Date – May 4<sup>th</sup> at 7pm, email reminder and zoom link will be emailed to all parents**