



QMS Parents Association

Minutes of AGM Meeting

September 14, 2020 8:30am

Via Zoom following the AGM

PA Executive:

Chair: Sherra Collett

Vice Chair: Rachel Munro (absent)

Treasurer: Kevin Westwick

Secretary: Laura Hagen

Community Welfare: Kirsty Grant

Past Chair: Alana Smith

QMS Staff: Hayley Picard, Director of Marketing & Communications
Heather Bartfai, Manager of Alumni & Community Relations
Kim Ludvigson, Executive Assistant to the Head of School

PA Members: Amanda Cairns
Ann Buttner-Danyliw
Mindy Swamy
Megan Lowery
Tyler Vanderputten
Cheryl Schultz
Darcy Lalonde
Rhiannon Kemmler
Naomi Singh
Nicole Bond

Called to Order at 9:03am

Welcome and Introductions

Sherra introduced the Executive quickly as a few members joined us for the meeting following the AGM. Those who arrived later introduced themselves.

Approval of the Minutes from March 2, 2020

Motion moved by Alana Smith, seconded by Ann Buttner-Danyliw.



Reports

Chair: Sherra reported that there wasn't any new business to report as there hasn't been a meeting since the school shut down during March Break. She did say she was looking forward to the new school year and supporting the school with whatever ways we can at the time being.

Vice Chair: Nothing to report

Secretary: Nothing to report

Treasurer: Nothing to report

Community Welfare: Nothing to report

For Discussion and Updates

Monthly Meetings: For next meeting it was decided that the meeting would run at 8:30am.

Year Long Event Planning: Because the pandemic makes it hard to run any large events, all ideas will be welcome from any of the QMS community.

Thrifty Smile Cards: This fundraiser runs all year long. We make 5% of the amount spent up to \$2000. The program goes forward every year so cards can be kept. Cards are kept upstairs with Kim Ludvigson at this point. So anyone can get a card, load up any amount and then spend them immediately at the cash.

Other Fundraising Ideas: Kirsty Grant asked us to consider supporting our local business community to create a fundraiser. It could possibly be an online platform and a page that goes home. It just would be nice to stay inside our community of the Cowichan Valley to support them as they have supported us in years past. We could come up with a list of wholesale opportunities of consumables or other items.

Unicycler: Sherra asked Heather Bartfai to speak about the changes in the Unicycler this year. Heather mentioned that at this point there is no room to fit the Unicycler clothing into the store. This year the school ran the Unicycler with volunteers before school started. Currently they can sell items on an appointment basis only. We are still trying to figure out if the school or the PA will run it. There was a change in the staffing at the school store as well. So discussion will be ongoing as to the future of the Unicycler.





Any Other Business

Nothing brought up but if parents want to support the school, parents are asked to email the QMS PA with COVID friendly ideas.

Sherra also wanted to wrap things up and mention that times are different and it won't be like this forever. And that the children and their families are so resilient even in these different times.

Meeting Adjourned at 9:17am.

Next Meeting: **October 5, 2020 at 8:30am** via Zoom

