**Grad 2025 Meeting MINUTES**

**April 2, 2025**

**MSS GRAD – Shared by Tina Etchart for Dave Andersen**

Reminder that grad fees are due by May 16th. $225 plus any outstanding fees (student and sports) must be paid before students’ robes and hats are picked up for the ceremonies. Please contact Angela Russell at 250-315-1121 if you require additional information. Payments can be made by etransfer to mssaccounts@365.sd58.bc.ca

If you have any questions regarding school grad activities and graduation in general, please feel free to reach out to the school and they will be happy to assist.

Reminder of upcoming dates:

* Grad Fees due May 16th
* June 4th Indigenous Grad (by invite)
* June 16th – Award Ceremony
* June 18th – Grad Rehearsal
* June 19th – Grad Ceremonies
* June 21st – Prom / Parade

**GRAD EXECUTIVE – Tina Etchart, President**

**Food Committee – Maria Thuveson, Chair**

Please reach out to Maria Thuveson (contact information below) if you would like to assist with the food Committee. They will be having their first organizational meeting next week.

**Fundraising – Jacqueline Klassen, Chair**

A carwash fundraiser is in the works for May 25th. Please save the date so you can come out and assist.

**Dry Grad – Gurdeep Khangura, Chair**

At least 60 intend to participate, most likely more.

The planned schedule is to leave after school on Friday, May 30th and go to Kelowna Go Karting for dinner and activities. We will overnight in the Best Western Kelowna. Saturday morning, breakfast is included at the hotel, then we will be visiting Myra Canyon for climbing activities. A picnic lunch is planned, followed by a visit to the indoor H20 Waterpark and then head home.

We will be asking for a formal intent to participate, a behavior expectation agreement and a deposit. The idea of this is to show the students’ intentions to participate and discourage students not showing up. If they don’t show they will lose the deposit (unless there is a good reason that can be discussed), participants that show up will have their deposit returned to them. If there is a barrier to the deposit, please contact one of the Grad Executive members below.

We are still looking for male chaperones for this trip, May 30-31. Please contact Gurdeep Khangura at the contact information provided below.

**Prom and Parade – Tina Etchart for Danielle Ortiz and Laura Sware**

We are receiving preliminary numbers for participation at the moment so we can proceed with planning.

**Business Photos – Jocelyn Mathias**

At this time a lot of work is going into approaching business for permission to display our photos.

Very soon, we will be sending an email to everyone, as we need formalized consent to have pictures up in public.

We also have a lot of names that have not requested a preferred business. Please tell your friends to reach out to Jocelyn at the contact below. We are going to try very hard to accommodate where everyone wishes to be displayed.

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