



Abbotsford Senior Secondary School

Parent Advisory Council Meeting Minutes

Date Thursday January 11, 2024

Time 7:00 – 8:30 PM

Location Online Zoom

Attendees:

Executives in Attendance:

President:	Winsome Rauch
Vice President:	
Treasurer:	Brigette Wimmer
Secretary:	Kiran Harry
DPAC Rep:	Marc Vella
Grade 9/10 Parent Rep:	Barbara Landa McAuliffe
Grade 11/12 Parent Rep:	Stacey Parson, Duan Hu

School Staff in Attendance:

Principal:	Carla Campbell
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Parents and Guests in Attendance:

Rajiv Mittal, Haydee, Jujhar Aujla, Hafsat Oloriegbe, Marianna Hinnek, Stephanie Ward

The Zoom attendance sheet is attached at the end.

1. Welcome and Introductions – Winsome Rauch

1.1 Winsome called the meeting to order at 7:05 pm

2. Principal's report – Carla Campbell

2.1 Principal Ms. Carla Campbell mentioned that the Christmas season was smooth and joyful, there are 3 weeks left for the semester to end

2.2 Basketball season is going well:

- The Snowball tournament, the biggest basketball tournament in BC, is coming to our school again.
- The first game is between Abby and Bateman on Wed 17th January.
- School is hosting team from New York.

2.3 Important Dates:

- Jan 18th – Fine Arts night at Abby Arts Center
- Jan 26th – Last day of Semester
- Jan 29th – New Semester begins.
- Feb 8th – Open House for Grade 8 families at 5:30 pm. There will be an IB information table, a soccer information table, and the band will play in the rotunda.
- Feb 16th – Dry Grad Mardi Gras celebration 6-11 pm
- Feb 16th - Learning day for teachers, educators and support staff

3. Questions & Discussion

3.1 Parent Question: How can we apply for scholarships or bursaries?

Carla Campbell (Principal) mentioned that the students can contact their school counsellors, and Ms. Stephanie Doan. Students and parents can make appointments and ask questions.

3.2 Parent Question: Why are the test scores of students going down as per PISA?

Carla Campbell (Principal) replied about Programme for International Students Assessments (PISA) scores, provincial numeracy results are down a bit, and this was discussed at the district meeting. At the District Admin meeting its also discussed that what is trending and what are the results for those assessments.

4. Approval of November Minutes – Karen Corr / Kiran Harry

4.1 Previous minutes were presented. It was moved by Mark Vella and Seconded by Barbara. No one opposed.

5. Treasurer's Report– Brigette Wimmer

5.1 General account balance: \$2804.57

Gaming account Balance: \$26575.76

School Fundraising Balance: \$1730.00

There is also money owed to Barbara for the staff appreciation cookies.

6. DPAC Report – Marc Vella

6.1 Marc Vella presented the DPAC meeting report. Deputy Superintendent Nathan Ngieng and Trustee Rupi Kanda-Rajwan were present. The Deputy Superintendent made a presentation on Equity and Diversity. He also talked about Truth and Reconciliation, the Welcome Project, The Paddle Project, cultural engagement, and Inclusivity of Indigenous activities.

7. President's Report – Winsome Rauch

- 7.1 Abbotsford Bingo AGM Dec 9th2023 - Winsome presented the report She attended the Abbotsford Bingo on Dec 09th and from which we received \$723.63, which goes to the General account. These funds can be used for Staff appreciation etc.
- 7.2 IB Pre – Diploma letter sent - Last PAC meeting, the IB pre-diploma admissions letter was sent to Superintendent Sean Nosek. Sean acknowledged that the letter was received. Winsome said they also asked if you could include parents in the meetings, but didn't hear anything yet.
- 7.3 Abby Senior took off the previous minutes from the website as it's kept only for 2 years but District PAC minutes are kept for 5 years.

8. New Business

8.1 Relocation of Funds for Pop-Up Canopy

8.1.1 Notify Carla, Ryan - Winsome

8.1.2 Motion moved by , seconded by , approved:

Motion to reallocate the \$500 originally allocated from the general account for the purchase of a pop-up canopy. The current recipient, Terina, will be replaced by Ryan McWhinney, our Athletic Director, who is the new requester for this expense.

8.2 Laminator

8.2.1 Notify Alison that it is approved - Winsome

8.2.2 Update budget – Brigitte/Winsome

8.2.3 Motion moved by , seconded by , approved

Motion for allocation of \$150 from the PAC general account for the purchase of a laminator and laminating pages, intended for creating signs throughout the school.

8.3 Next PAC notice - Winsome

8.3.1 Grade 9/10 parent rep position open

8.3.2 Invite to join PAC meeting 7 pm after the open house February 8 5:30 pm

8.4 Annual Joint Partnership Meeting – Mon, Feb 5 |6:30 PM

8.4.1 Marc will attend

8.4.2 Send reminder to invite one more executive - Winsome

8.5 Staff Appreciation

8.5.1 Carla suggested end of semester Janu 22-26 Wed, Thu, Fri could be a good week; Beginning of next semester January 29 also possible

8.5.2 PAC decided first lunch event during week of March; 120 staff

8.5.3 Samosas – Kiran

8.5.4 Check date and numbers with Carla – Winsome

8.5.5 Pop and a snack – Barbara

8.5.6 Cobb's and coffee planned for a morning later in spring

8.6 Cleanliness of school grounds

8.6.1 Write letter to Carla to share some feedback we've received from a concerned

- parent regarding the cleanliness of our school grounds. - Winsome
- Instances of needles on the premises, causing some safety worries among parents.
- lack of convenient needle disposal options.
- reports of dog feces near the front door

8.7 Action Items:

- Get zoom attendance list for Kiran – Winsome
- Post PreDP letters- Winsome

9. Meeting Adjourned:

- Meeting Adjourned at 8:07pm

Next meeting: Thursday February 8, 2024 at 7:00 PM

Minutes Submitted By– Kiran Harry

ZOOM Attendees List

Name (Original Name)

Winsome Rauch# Abby Sr PAC Chair (SD34 DPAC
Zoom #1)

Carla Campbell

Duan Hu

Rajiv Mittal

Brigette Wimmer's iPhone

Stacey Parson

Marc Vella- Abby Sr

Kiran Harry

Bárbara Landa McAuliffe

Marianna Hinnek

Zoom user

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Stephanie ward

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Haydee's iPhone