

Reynolds Secondary School – PAC Monthly Meeting

Date: October 6, 2016

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Attendees: Parents: Shellayne Vos (Chair), Kelly Acker, Mahia Frost, Derek Cockburn, Rebecca Veilleux, Rhonda Sylven, Roe Campbell, Grace Kerr, Rita Lord
Administration: Tom Aerts, Gillian Braun, Heather Brown

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Agenda and Minutes

Item Description	Information
Minutes	September 8, 2016 Reynolds PAC meeting minutes – Ruth Smith moved to approve the minutes. Rita Lord seconded. Motion passed.

General Meeting

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Principal's Report (T. Aerts)	<p>Staff Requests for PAC funding:</p> <p>Social Justice (new curriculum) – Julianne Cameron and Rachelle Tyrrell (teachers) - Support for initiatives (whole school or select classes), such as orange shirt day (residential school survivors), guest speakers for multiple classes on anti-violence project, PRIDE group (re: resources available in the community), and Coalition against Homelessness. \$300 for honouraria</p> <p>Debate Team – Rachelle Tyrrell and Julianne Cameron (teachers) – Debate Club – For a model UN and five other debate events. Reynolds has been very successful in past competitions. Students contributing to costs. \$1000 for event registration fees.</p> <p>Julianne Cameron (teacher) – Reynolds Success Committee – To recognize, celebrate and inspire. Awards (medals, pins, certificates, seals, etc.) for academics, volunteering, athletics. \$4400.</p> <p>Outdoor Club – Mr. Turcotte (teacher) – Wilderness first aid training for Mr. Turcotte (leader). Adequate first aid kit. Funds to make club more accessible for students, particularly for newcomer students who don't have gear. Have some second-hand already, but need more. Supplies and miscellaneous. \$1000</p> <p>Choir– Nathan Georgesen (Choir Director) – Choir has grown a lot (currently almost 100 students). Need a place to store the music binders. \$2561 (for specialized shelving unit)</p> <p>Band - Dave Fiello (Band Director) – Items for recognition (approx. 70 awards/yr). 238 students in the program. Approx. 75 performances per year. Students raise money for their own instruments, etc., as well as for the music program (e.g., for students who can't afford instruments, etc.). \$2500</p> <p>Spoken Word Poetry - Brad Cunningham (Teacher/Director) – To go to Hullabaloo competition and to bring poets into the school. Have been six times to Hullabaloo and have won three times. See Reynolds slam poetry YouTube page. Reynolds has become very well known for the spoken word poetry. \$2050</p> <p>Staff Requests Presented by Principal:</p> <p>Photography and art class – Studio lighting for photography, yearbook classes and media arts classes. Current equipment is old and breaking. \$400</p> <p>Grade 9 Initiative - Doug Mallory (Grade 9 Coordinator) – To connect them to the school. "House" competition with awards each term to winning "House". Will rent Silver City Theatre for the "House" students. \$2400</p> <p>Library - Claire Atkinson - Two Chrome Books for library. Computer labs are often all booked. To lend to students when all the computers are being used. \$600</p> <p>Athletics – Dave Ravenhill – School does not received funds from school district or government for</p>

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	<p>athletics. Have 70 teams involving all grades/students. Funds for merit play (Island and Provincial tournaments) and uniforms. Students also contribute. \$16,200</p> <p>Musical theatre – Guys and Dolls performance. Approx. 120 students involved. Students do fundraising also. \$800</p> <p>Student Services - Heather Benson</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pink Shirt Day - Guest speaker for an assembly and for pink pledges in front foyer. \$450 • Ski and Snowboard Team - Race cowbells. \$30 • PRIDE Club – gay-straight alliance - Guest speakers and new banner for pride parade. \$440 <p>Requests by Parents:</p> <p>Rhonda Sylven – Current school sign on Borden Avenue needs to be replaced. Dangerous to go up to replace letters. Need seed money for fundraising strategy. Good timing given 50th year celebration. Many other high schools have electronic signs. To communicate with and advertise events to the community. Would benefit all students, staff and community. Sign costs \$32,000-35,000. Funds to be raised from individual, corporate donations and grants. Sign to be erected in 2018. \$5000 (seed funding) split over three years (\$2016, \$2017, \$967)</p> <p>Kelly Edwards – Ann Auld to speak to students about study skills and being successful in school. To be held on one of the collaboration afternoons. Being successful in school. \$75</p> <p>Budget Committee formed to review funding requests – will meet October 27th - Ruth Smith, Grace Kerr, Roe Campbell, Derek Cockburn, Shellayne Vos, Mahia Frost</p> <p>Happenings at School</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • October 6th - Head shave. Cops for Cancer riders arrive October 7th in the gym. Parents and families welcome to join. • October 13th - Parent/teacher interviews. Signup was very successful. • October 11th – Grade 9 Immunizations • October 24th - Photos retake • October 12th - Grad assembly– on Grad Facebook page • October 25th - Grad evening 7:00 for parents and students. • 3-d printer arrived. Looking for place to put it so everyone can see but is also accessible. Classes now using it. • Seismic upgrade – During upgrades, schools often get enhancements to the building. School administration has discussed a larger library (Reynolds is smallest in the school district), adding a student lounge/meeting area, and a turf field.
<p>Chair's Report (S. Vos/K. Acker)</p>	<p>Call for PAC Secretary – The Secretary position on the PAC Executive is vacant. A Secretary is very much needed, as PAC Executive members are doing double duty. If you are interested in this position, please let Kelly or Shellayne know (see contact emails at bottom of minutes).</p> <p>Reynolds PAC Constitution and Bylaws – Grace Kerr moved to accept the Constitution and Bylaws as amended. Rita Lord accepted. Accepted unanimously. Motion passed.</p> <p>Parent Education Fund (for speakers or events for parent education):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Currently working on possible speakers: Allison Reese (kids & stress, January); study skills (November); nutrition • Other ideas: Career planning; gender variant and LGBTQ; athletic and other types of scholarships; Internet safety? • Other ideas? Please send to Shellayne or Kelly (contacts below) <p>Victoria Confederation of Parent Advisory Councils (VCPAC) - Audrey Smith (President) – VCPAC is a non-partisan body that represents School District 61 PACs (schools) to the School District, BC Confederation of Parent Advisory Councils and the Government of BC. It operates in “the best interests of the students” only. VCPAC is a forum in which schools can connect with each other, share common concerns and solutions, determine what matters to parents, form a collective voice to speak at board or committee meetings, or to government, and for individual schools to bring concerns and get help from other schools.</p>
<p>Treasurer's</p>	<p>Budget is posted on PAC webpage (reynolds.sd61.bc.ca/parent-info/pac-minutes/).</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Gaming Grant – received \$22,420 for 2016/17

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Report (D. Cockburn)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Gaming Grant Audit for last year – do not anticipate any issues 50/50 raffle at UVic at Vikes Basketball Game - \$203 made for Cops for Cancer
Things that Matter to Us	<p>Victoria Confederation of Parent Advisory Councils (VCPAC):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Next meeting October 25, 2016 – all parents welcome. Location: Central Middle School See vcpac.ca for information on issues <p>Please remember: Returnable/Recyclable Bottles</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> If you return your bottles to the recycle depots, please give your receipts to the Reynolds' School Office. The school with the most receipts will win funds for the school's low-incidence program
Parent Group Reps	<p>Parent Group Representatives</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Music: November 2nd at 7:00 p.m. – “Blow out the Dust” Theatre: February 27th-March 4th – “Guys and Dolls” Soccer: Grade 9 Centre for Soccer Excellence students went to Seattle. They were great ambassadors for the school. Flex: No report French : No report Athletics: No report
New Business	<p>Lunch space for eating – New schools have limited communal areas but not cafeteria areaa for eating. Reynolds has often looked at the issue over the years. No room other than benches in some halls. Would need funding for benches.</p> <p>New tech system – All classrooms that do not already have one will get a tech package. Installation scheduled for over winter break, so will have it in January, but may be late.</p> <p>Attendance system process clarification – Period 1 is actually before school. So first block is actually called period 2 in the absence notification a parent receives.</p>

Next Scheduled Meeting: Thursday, November 3, 2016, at 7:00, Room 205

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