

REYNOLDS SECONDARY SCHOOL

PAC MEETING MINUTES

December 7, 2022
7:00 p.m. Library

Attendees: Maryse Neilson (Chair), Peter Tyrell (Vice Chair), Laurel Hovey (Treasurer), Willow Minaker (Secretary), Aaron Norris (Principal), Netta Brown

ITEM	INFORMATION
Welcome	Welcome, land acknowledgement, roundtable introductions and review of agenda
Minutes	November minutes approved with no objection
Principal's Report (Aaron)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Basketball starting up for fall sports, as is curling. Senior boys won the provincial soccer banner. Christmas concert coming up. Tomorrow night is the first grad winter formal in a few years (150 students).• Starting to look at space for next year and how to accommodate additional students. Portables are not an ideal option (extremely expensive) so look at what storage spaces could be transitioned to classrooms.• The Minority Club event was a real success - food from around 8 different countries and lots of students attended and sampled the food.• There is an e-sport (competitive video games) league starting up on the spring for the first time. Starting to figure out equipment needs.• Had assemblies with grades 9-11 on the new indigenous grad requirements. Hoping to get a better understanding of what students are interested in, in order to look at the offerings and how to support students during course selection in the spring.• Staff-wise, Jason Johnson is a new VP here at the school and has started.• Looking forward to semestre 2 courses starting up and will be implementing the new proficiency scale for all grades. Grades 10-12 will still continue to get % grades.• In R-block, all students wrote a goal, which showed up in their first report card. It is a work in progress. Students will also start including self-reflection on one of the core competencies. From a principal perspective, it was nice to see the student voice in every report card. They are really trying to separate the work habits from the learning.• Next week they have their December staff meeting and will have a celebration of what has been achieved this year, including the success of Cops for Cancer. This will include a discussion of is there more or different they could do with those energies (not instead of but in addition to). They will engage the students in the conversation after this initial discussion with teachers.
Chair's Report (Maryse)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Copied on an email to the school and district regarding a mask policy.• Offer from a parent, specifically around event and equipment coordination. He is unable to attend regular PAC meetings but is available for events if needed.• Parent education night confirmed: Wednesday, January 18 7-9pm. Maryse met with the speaker yesterday; she will start her talk with a bit about climate and anxiety around this, then focus the rest of the evening on what people can do in response and how to focus on a hopeful future. Maryse has a one page promotion sheet with zoom link, which will be distributed to all the feeder schools of both Vic High and Reynolds.
Treasurer's Report (Laurel)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Current Gaming Account Balance is \$23,458.07. Expenses include a \$1.95 service charge and \$83.62 reimbursement for Classroom 109 Field Trip to the Museum. I have

	<p>received receipts for \$140.00 from the Minority Club - have cheques ready to go. That will leave them with an available balance of \$397.79.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Operating Account Balance is \$622.68 which includes monthly service charge of \$1.95.Bank ● \$250.00 Cheque for the Parent Education Grant was be deposited to the Operating Account on Dec.6th ● As of November 24th the total Cash on-line donations are up by \$140.00 for a total of \$1890.00 ● Copies of the approved Budget were sent to Aaron and Hollie as well as the letters to teachers. ● I have sent Aaron the Gaming Budget Request form for the Spring Ask with a submission date of January 31, 2023. <p>Other:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● There was a discussion at the PAC meeting that for clubs who received funding for a certain activity that don't spend all of the funds, whether there is general agreement that they could spend the remaining funds on additional activities providing they are in line with the original approved activity. All agreed in principle. The process would be that the teacher would reach out to the Treasurer (Laurel) to discuss and propose the additional activity. Laurel can approve in concept on behalf of the PAC (within original approval and funding framework); if the activity will take place later than January 31, they need to have a plan with budget so that PAC knows how much money will be available for the proposal intake.
<p>VCPAC update</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Topics discussed: safety (toilets), space for students at lunch, for physical exercise, custodians (are there enough?), ventilation (particularly post-COVID) ● 3 new member at large appointments ● Donations to Coopersmith music library/instrument library -capacity to support 1000 students ● District parent education ideas ● Month in Review: Presidents Report; SD61 Board Meetings Report; committee reports ● Hot Topics (30 min) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Graduation dates -- graduate in early June but still need to attend classes... doesn't seem fair. Is there a graduation coordinator that schedules these? b. Letter to the Ministry of Education about land sale? No response as of yet c. School District Budget - Tracy to attend, but doesn't look like any opportunity for speaking, just an orientation; Reading Recovery, SLP programs, mental health d. Review non-agenda items from October meeting ● See the VCPAC website for meeting notes: VCPAC meeting notes. ● If parents are interested in receiving updates, they can sign up to receive the SNIPS newsletter on the VCPAC website.
<p>New / Other Business</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Pre-holiday teacher appreciation on Thursday, December 15. Communications have been going out weekly asking for volunteers to bake. It has been a slow trickle of volunteers but a few more each week (including one student)! One parent is the owner of Roxy's Chocolates and is donating 100 sample-size chocolates. Looks like there will be a good selection of goodies. Netta and Laurel are waiting to see what parents are bringing and they will fill in any gaps. Aaron will put a big urn of coffee that morning then will send out an email to all staff to let them know there are goodies that will be there all day.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Willow motions to approve up to \$200 to supplement any goodies for the event. Peter seconds the motion.
Adjourned	Meeting adjourned at 7:55 pm

Note: Minutes considered draft until formally approved at the next PAC meeting

Next Scheduled Meeting: January 4, 2023