# REYNOLDS SECONDARY SCHOOL PAC MEETING MINUTES

## June 7, 2023 7:00 p.m. Library

**Attendees:** Maryse Neilson (Chair), Peter Tyrrell (Vice Chair), Laurel Hovey (Treasurer), Aaron Norris (Principal), Nette Brown, Hanne Smaadahl, Jessica Koski, Melody Burns, Alanna Kellar, Brendan Berbenuik

ITEM	INFORMATION
Welcome	Welcome, land acknowledgement, roundtable introductions and review of agenda
Minutes	April minutes approved with no objection (Melody, Jessica seconded)
Principal's Report (Aaron)	<ul> <li>2023/24 Calendar and daily schedule to circulate</li> <li>Proposal to set first PAC meeting of 2023 on Sept 21 right before Meet the Teacher night.</li> <li>2023/24 Fees (most fees to increase, new Athletics fee)</li> <li>Maryse proposes to set a default suggestion for PAC Staff Appreciation donation to \$25, which may be the minimum required for tax-credit charitable donation amount, and we can give receipts, though there is a process that has to go through the School Board to do that.</li> <li>Liaison officer board motion:         <ul> <li>That the Board of Education of School District No. 61 (Greater Victoria) direct the Superintendent to end the SPLO Program; AND FURTHER the Superintendent will ensure that protocols are established in relation to the following matters: school emergencies, lockdowns, critical incidents, Violent Threat Risk Assessments and ongoing District tracking of all student interactions with Police while in the care of the Board of Education; AND FURTHER the Superintendent will provide the Board of Education with a list of the services no longer provided by SPLOs and suggestions for service provision moving forward.</li> </ul> </li> <li>That the Board of Education of School District No. 61 (Greater Victoria) direct the Board Chair to write to the Minister of Education and Child Care and the Minister of Public Safety and Solicitor General urging them to immediately commission research into the impacts of SPLO programs on K-12 students in BC.</li> <li>That the Board of Education of School District No. 61 (Greater Victoria) direct the Board Chair to write to the Minister of Education and Child Care and the Premier requesting that the provincial government commit to adequate ongoing funding for civilian alternatives to SPLOs such as civilian coaches, youth and family counsellors, social workers, substance use educators, restorative justice initiatives, etc so that all school districts have adequate resources to deliver neces</li></ul>
	Cancer will no longer be possible. Police Camp may not be possible.

- Dance performance with Vic High a couple weeks ago. Great to see our students perform. Thank you to Grace Leigh who has done some incredible work with our dancers this year. She will be focusing on Vic High next year and will not be at Reynolds
- Drama June 20<sup>th</sup> One Act performance night
- Band/Choir Great to see our marching band out in the community in the different parades. Band/choir have been very busy the past couple of weeks with performances throughout the community. Blue band performance last week
- Athletics
  - Sr and Jr Girls soccer completed their seasons. Sr girls won Islands and top 4 at provincials
  - Golf, Tennis, Ultimate, Girls Rugby have all completed their seasons
  - Track and Field had a good showing at Islands. Many athletes competing at BCs next week
- Grad
  - Tape a Teacher fundraiser
  - Dinner/Dance this weekend
  - Recognition Ceremony the 23rd
- Grade 8 Transition
  - Welcomed over 200 grade 8s into the building on the Thursday before the long weekend in May
- Leadership
  - Minute to win challenge
  - Fun Day June 16th

Planning to spend much more time around Truth and Reconciliation next September. Have reached \$1 million in donations to Cops for Cancer, so that will not be so much a focus next year and following.

- Rob Basi, Heather Coey retirements
- Staff are looking forward to summer break

Courtyard garden (Heather Coey's legacy) can no longer be funded and supported by LifeCycles, which is in financial difficulty. Scrambling to find a way to irrigate, weed, harvest and keep the garden alive over the summer, and work out a plan for next year.

Melody: Does Reynolds have "programs of choice"? How are they funded re school fees? Aaron: Programs of choice (e.g. CSE) have their own separate fee schedule.

Melody: Does Reynolds participate in the Youth Development Index? (Grant funding) Aaron: Yes, CLE classes compete to find a cause to support.

Melody: Food distribution warehouse center may be able to help with courtyard garden.

### Chair's Report (Maryse)

#### Correspondence

- VCPAC and BCPAC announcements/AGM (see VCPAC update)
- Survey from Need 2 sent to Hollie for App
- Cultural and Linguistic Exchange Program (opportunity for September)

### **Staff Appreciation**

 Tuesday June 13 – 2 pm donut wall (108 donuts) and coffee in staff room for meeting (Maryse)

- Wednesday June 14 lunch-time ice cream cones for staff (made with ice cream machine by students) (Laurel)
- Thursday June 15 fruit and cheese trays at lunch in staff room (Netta)

Maryse proposes to approve \$1500 instead of \$1000 for total staff appreciation budget, because costs are more than anticipated. Peter motions to approve, Nette seconds.

#### PAC Meeting Dates 23/24

- Propose Thursday September 21, 2023 6pm for first meeting (e.g. just prior to Meet the Teacher night)
- October 4, 2023
- November 1, 2023
- December 6, 2023
- January 3, 2024
- February 7, 2024
- March 6, 2024
- April 3, 2024
- May 1, 2024
- June 5, 2024

#### Other (Summer)

- Constitution and by-law review over summer 2023
- Committee structure
- PAC orientation package
- Streamline and organize fundraising direct asks with school fees at start of year
- Streamline and instruction package for Gaming grant applications
- Communications Strategy and platforms

Brandon and Alaina are taking on the Doncaster Facebook page, and ask what the focus of any Reynolds Facebook page might be.

Hanne proposes a summertime brainstorm session for improving communications strategy, including social media platforms. Maryse will send out an invite to all.

Aaron: Reynolds app has a PAC channel. General surprise.

# Treasurer's Report (Laurel)

#### **Reynolds PAC Treasurer Report**

June 7, 2023

#### **Operating Account:**

May Bank Statement balance is 584.75 the only activity being a 1.95 service charge. There are no outstanding cheques.

#### **Gaming Account:**

May Bank Statement balance is 12,210.22. There is an outstanding cheque payable to the school for 7711.75 which brings the total available to 4,498.47. The balance outstanding for the Grade 9 Reynolds scarves purchased last year is included in the outstanding cheque. The final invoices from the Success Committee, Intramurals and the Grade 9 Coordinator have yet to come in. They should total no more than 3,200.00 which will leave a balance of approx. 1,300.00 in the Gaming Account.

## **PAC School Account:** No changes but the recently returned Accounts Clerk has a copy of this budget and is aware that she will be receiving invoices that will need to be paid for out of this account. **Gaming Grant Application** for next year was submitted on May 11th. Laurel will finish off the year with the Accounts clerk because we have no incoming treasurer yet. Did not attend. **VCPAC** Minutes will be posted here: update https://vcpac.ca/vcpac-documents/minutes-and-reports/general-minutes/2022-2023 (Jason) Brad Cunningham and student Pippa came to say thanks from Spoken Word club. Pippa New / described how she enjoyed Hullaballoo (competitive poetry) in Vancouver, and thanked the Other PAC for partially funding their trip. Two teams, eight students attended, joined by some alumni. Business Opportunity to be mentored by well-known Canadian poets. Teams took first and second place. Question from Peter: Why aren't GPA awards included in this year's Awards Ceremony? Answer from Aaron: We have been talking about issues regarding GPA/Honour roll at PAC for the past couple of school years. Earlier this year, we discussed how the way Reynolds has calculated GPA/Honour roll is not accurate and we need to shift how this is done. GPA will be calculated after final grades have been submitted and courses completed. Unfortunately, the timeline with our awards ceremony and the completion of courses do not align. Certificates for grade 12s will be given with the graduation diplomas which will be received later in the summer. For students in grade 9, 10 and 11, we will distribute certificates in September. Questions asked about incoming new proficiency (non-grade) scale: not all parents understand why it's being implemented, and whether it's a top-down order or a welcome change. Aaron suggests it's a continuum: some are welcoming of it, others are not.

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

Next Scheduled Meeting: September 21, 2023

**Adjourned** 

Meeting adjourned at 8:15 pm