

RBSS PAC Meeting Minutes
Wednesday November 8, 2023
Prepared by Tanya P, Member at Large

Attendance: Kristy B, Tanya P, Lance M, Sarah K, Avon, Tracy L, Pam P

Start : 7:02Pm

Indigenous Land Acknowledgment: Kristy B

Motion to approve October 2023 meeting Minutes: Kristy B, **2nd:** Tracy L non opposed

Principals report: Lance McDonald

- Staff challenges, 2 positions are not filled. Sheldon Weinkoff has returned from retirement to teach Science 9/10 and Science Honors
- Other position is for Math / careers, still in search
- Halloween Night at RBSS was October 30, 2023. Hosted by leadership. Was a great success, 300 in attendance.
- October 31, 2023 admin handed out full size chocolate bars to all students. This is one example of what student activity fees are used towards
- Remembrance day assemblies are tomorrow, performances are student led, will have indigenous dancer, band and the dance team
- Basketball is starting
- Both Junior / Senior Football teams won valleys and are heading to provincials, two fan buses and drumline were in attendance
- Cross country: 8 students in total, won a banner
- Swimming: 6 students will be going to provincials
- Girls Volleyball: last game last week
- Fun Facts: SD34 reporting policy is ahead of the curve, with flex block for the last 8-9 years and is working very well
- This year ministry requirement have required personalized reporting making report cards longer

Questions: Pam P Why was halloween decor only offered night before and not the day of Halloween? **A:** Safety from fire Marshall

Sarah K Is Abbotsford moving towards hiring non certified teachers like other districts due to shortage? **A:** Was brought up at principals meeting, at the moment no as needs sorting with ATU

Pam P There is cross country and swimming this year... any track? **A:** there is no formal team, however some kids (6-8 last year) have participated on behalf of RBSS and are part of Valley Royal track

Treasurer report : Tanya P on behalf of Mike B

- Not much change in accounts, no gaming funds received as of yet gaming summary report was filed on time, however no confirmation number was received. Mike tried the entire month of August to contact someone at BC gaming, the office was closed. In September , was informed summary was not received and had to submit summary again with supporting documentation. Has been tryin to rech someone from mid Septemeber and in the last week of October was informed that our application for gaming funds will not be reviewed until late February / March. Tanya P drafted letter to inform staff of the complications with our sincere apologies and Lance will send our to teachers. At this point, it is out of anyone but BC Gaming offices control

DPAC Report: Tracy L

- A few events that were / are being hosted ,
 1. October 18, 2023 Middle & High School sex trafficking
 2. November 15, 2023 Youth Substance hosted at WJ Mouat 7-9pm
 3. Boundary Catchment changes November 20, 2023 at district office

New Business:

- Tanya P created new Pac FB page locked out of old, communication will be sent to parents about the change
- Staff appreciation for winter will be on Dec 7, 2023 , Tanya P organizing. Sent catering requests and will send donation requests via school cash online
- GEM (Gender equity movement) presentation to PAC execs and to some DPAC execs was held November 6, 2023, seemed to be well rec'vd and will be presented to district at some point and hoping DPAC will cohost. Tanya C former RBSS PAC chair has been involved with this project since precovid, to bring to attention equity for our female students , and women in the world.
- Events this week,

Remembrance Day assembly's Novemebr 9, 2023

Pro Day November 10, 2023

November 13 - non instructional day in lieu of November 11

Motion to Adjourn: Sarah K, **2nd** : Pam P 8:00 pm

Next meeting is January 17, 2023 no meeting in December due to Winter break