

Robert Bateman
PAC General Meeting Minutes
February 21, 2024

Attendance: Kristy B., Pam. P., Kim E., Andrea P., Sarah K., Tiffany B., Corina R., Tanya, Lance M.

Welcome and Introductions at 7:05 pm

Indigenous Acknowledgment: Kristy B.

Motion to approve January 24, 2024 General Meeting Minutes. 1st – Sarah K., 2nd – Kim E.

Principal's Report – Lance McDonald

- Second semester is going well
- Staffing has been a challenge – some positions are now filled
- Uncertified TTOC's are now being used in Abbotsford – 24 hired, 75 applied
 - need to have an undergraduate degree
 - Interested in working with kids and teaching
 - contract until June
 - pd. on a 4 year scale (not 5 or more as a certified teacher)
 - can only be in for a day, temporary, no extended positions
- Timetable
 - having assemblies to go through with students
 - visiting Clayburn this week
- School Culture
 - spirit week
 - basketball teams – Sr. Girls ranked quite high this year, will arrange for a fan bus to go watch
 - CLUE drama production Feb. 29, Mar. 1 and 2 (Clayburn will be coming to watch the production). 2 casts this year so that more students are involved.
- District Joint Partner Meeting
 - administration, PAC Chair, etc. invited
 - 3 students from 3 schools invited
 - a very authentic meeting!

- Elementary School shared coding
- Chief Dan George – a parent that is new to our country (from Syria) shared her experience and sang the praises of our schools and the opportunities here
- Robert Bateman – a student shared along Lance that had had some challenges during his time in High School (when you start to believe in the system, you can be successful)
 - Lance shared about the awesome ways that educators can be a part of someone's story/journey and be of impact/change that can alter their life trajectory
 - Connections build trust

Treasurer's Report- Mike B. away today

Abbotsford Community Foundation Scholarship Fund

- No scholarship this year over a miscommunication between PAC and the organization
- Tabling funds for next year

Evolution of Inclusion – DPAC Event

- Dr. Shelley Moore
- Teachers and some students attended from our school
- Making education work for everyone

Questions for Mr. McDonald:

1. Is sexual health taught in our schools still?
 - Yes, in grade 11 and 12
 - Often covered by PE curriculum, although not sure what depth
2. Rugby
 - Costs very high this year?
 - Lots of variables for costs
 - In general, all costs going up
 - If needing assistance of any kind, do not hesitate to reach out to the school

Meeting Adjourned: 8:10 pm.

Upcoming meeting dates:

- April 10
- May 15
- June 12 AGM