

PAC Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, February 21/23 held virtually via ZOOM

Attendees

Donna Thomas, Linda Pollastretti, Lorie Jensen, Josephine Leonard, Wendy Nelson, Colleen Bertrand, Melissa Goddard, Parminder Moundhi

Meeting called to order at 7:01 pm by Donna Thomas

Adoption of previous meeting minutes

- Proposed by Donna Thomas
- Seconded by Josephine Leonard

Principal's report given by Linda Pollastretti

1. Updates: From Staff: thank you for the staff luncheon it was very much appreciated
Basketball & Wrestling are participating in the provincials.
2. School Activities: Diversity week at school this week & Pink shirt day wednesday.
3. Discussions: - Parents were asked how the deeper learning week went for their kids. The feedback was that the classes were long with no breaks, some classes gave exams and added large projects to the end of the semester. Mrs. Pollastretti is deciding if June will have the same 2 weeks at the end of this semester.
-An update was given on our Honour Roll certificates. This practice was eliminated from the school 4 years ago when they removed honour classes (Although the 2 are not related). Some other schools in our district still print and hand out certificates.
-A parent brought forward that the School Messenger App is having problems. Another parent commented that it often has glitches. This info will be given to the district tech department.
-Parents are encouraged to do the district survey for the proposed 2023/24 calendar. It would be great for the parent teacher conferences for high school to be later in the semester (April).

Treasurer Report by Donna Thomas

Main account \$5,245.23 (available to spend)

Gaming account \$24,650.08

We are asking the staff to have their requests for reimbursements handed in by May 5th. An email will be sent to the teachers that have not submitted their receipts.

DPAC/BCCPAC Report by Josephine Leonard

- Assistant superintendent Nathan Ngieng & Trustee Stan Petersen gave an overview of the district career program. See <http://careers.abbyschools.ca/programs> for a list of all the career programs. Abbotsford offers a variety of opportunities to students in grade 10-12. Any student in the district can apply.
- Questions were asked about the bussing problems. No there will be no reimbursement of funds. They are looking at hiring more drivers & retired bus drivers. If you know of someone interested in applying please pass the information to them.
- The DPAC has been providing parent presentations throughout the year. Information has been shared on our facebook page.
- The district is holding a joint partners meeting with principals & pac representatives next monday.
- Next DPAC meeting is this Thursday. Let Josephine know if you have any questions. She'd be happy to ask them for us.

Other Business

- Comments were given about dry grad. Parents would like some information to be collected from this year to pass to next year. What kids liked, disliked, what food was a hit & how much etc. Would be great if parents involved & the kids were surveyed.
- Staff Appreciation – will be coffee & treats on Friday, May 12th @8am this is the last SLO day. ***We need raffle door prizes for this day.
- **Current Fundraisers:**
 - Purdy's: www.fundraising.purdys.com (click join a campaign)
our campaign is #62477
 - **Green Bins:** the clothing donation bin found in our parking lot. We can accept soft items (clothes, shoes, purses, stuffed animals, linens etc.) everything has to be in good clean condition.
 - Return-It Express:** Label # 956-682-8722 (WJMOUATPAC) labels available in the school office
 - Cobs Bread:** Mention your child attends Mouat

Meeting adjourned @ 7:48pm

Next meeting is April 17th @ 7pm * Over Zoom**