

# ÉCOLE ROYAL BAY SECONDARY SCHOOL

PAC MINUTES

November 6, 2024

- 1. Welcome / Call to Order at 6:35
- 2. Motion to Approve Agenda by Caroline, seconded by Shay and Melissa
- 3. Motion to Approve Minutes from October, seconded by Mary Anne and Candice
- 4. Reports:

## President / Chair

- no 50/50 licence for lacrosse as it's not a PAC initiative
- BCCPAC nominations are open and close Dec 2. Positions available.
- Nov 13 is Strategic Planning meeting for SD62. Let Caroline know if interested in attending and she can send you a link. Mary-Anne interested.
- No December PAC meeting bc 10,000 Tonight is the same night.

### **Vice President**

#### Treasurer

- Gaming Balance \$36,392.79
- Chequing Balance \$1036.16 (includes deposits for BBB)
- Motion to approve Proposed 2024-2025 budget as presented Sahye and Candice Approve
- link to approved budget: <u>https://drive.google.com/file/d/1HihV\_lQr0fYwaV9Lxw7apFeRGCdduym3/</u> view?usp=sharing

## Secretary

#### Communications

#### SPEAC

• missed meeting, link to Draft minutes of October SPEAC meeting: October 2024 Draft Minutes SPEAC

## Principal / Administration

- Tragedy with recent graduate, school community hit hard. Our District has a system- CERT: Critical Emergency Response Team- District people come in and help with the school, set protocol of how they handle things. Informing all the people who need it. This is quiet, respectful and dignified way to approach. Students accessing the quiet room and counsellors.
- Halloween Dance 150-200 kids came, lots of fun a success
- RB offers something for everyone with all the clubs etc.
- Student Learning Survey says overwhelmingly that kids feel welcome and safe and sense of belonging is big
- Sports we've had a good run. Volleyball, soccer really well coached. Track and Field has students going to provincials. Great girl's Lacrosse coach has come back to school, very happy with this.
- Assessments this week, gr 10 and 12. Check with your gr 12's to make sure they did this they MUST do assessments to graduate. Nov, Jan, Apr are assessment times they will set you up in June if they have to. Grade 10's do numeracy and gr 12's do English. Universities use the assessments- if don't do well, you need to take an english course. Technically they are optional and some kids find this out and think they can skip it.
- BC Education planner is the most important thing these kids learn this year. It's a one stop with info on all Post Secondary Institutes. You can apply to schools here and there is career help. District PAC puts on a tutorial about this valuable tool.

- MYST- Missing Youth & Sexually Exploited Teens will be coming to speak to students. Victoria is a hub for sex trafficking. A lot of activity coming from Vancouver and Mia Golding and Gord Magee are the people involved and will do assemblies in november and January. Parent communication will go home, some kids will be excused due to parent concerns and that is okay, but vast majority will be exposed to this information. All grades, though assemblies will be separated by grades. Not mandatory.
- Planning for 10,000 Tonight
- Winter Formal takes place at the school (keep costs at reasonable level)
- want to start doing territorial acknowledgement more often so it's more normal and not just special occasions. So it will be read out each Monday by a student on announcements
- Hall Passes not perfect, but working really well. There are some kids caught with counterfeit passes. Keeps halls much more quiet, better for everyone.
- November 21 will be Student Learning conferences 1-3pm and 4-6pm. Still working out details -Royal Bay teachers think this is important to have parents involved, even though not mandatory according to Province. Sign up goes out next week.
- New School Based team meeting, discuss students with issues. We have approximately 400 students on IEP's. The standard group meets- counsellors, case managers of students with IEPs and any teachers who would like to bring up concerns. Used as supportive group to make sure students have what they need. They have tried to formalize it by having tiers, helps get teachers involved. Tier 1- general teacher concerns, not solved goes to Tier 2- all teachers and supports give feedback, possible further assessments etc. If unsolved, goes to Tier 3 which is extended team, which goes to IES team at the Board. It's more formalized process to make sure we are supporting our students.
- Reporting dates nov 12 comments entered, nov 14 Mike goes through them, nov 15 published to parents. Important to have reports before student learning conferences.
- Copernican days Jan 15 & 16 for provincial assessments
- Jan 27 -28 'I' days
- School plan- a legal document that the school has to do. It's like a road map for what you want to do as a school. Need Quantifiable, achievable goals. Data collection done through learning surveys. Students don't always take it seriously, so can't always rely on it, so need to talk to students. Last years goals are: Sense of Belonging; Positive School Culture; Managing growth in a positive way; student voice. Been working on first 2 since 2015 and Mike is confident we're doing well with these. Authentic student voice is important. For next year, (we want parents buy in here) focus on transition to post high school. Doesn't necessarily mean post secondary schooling, but more that they have a plan. Something they have focussed on and researched. BC education planner is super helpful here. Literacy is great in our district, but numeracy is weak throughout the province, so how to improve numeracy. Get over fear of numbers.
- There's a rumour that gr 9 marks don't count THEY DO!
- Parents at meeting suggested a tutoring department. School can't recommend tutors be they don't know them. Peer tutoring we offer it, but there are challenges
- Another goal is look at student attendance, create a student council with grade reps
- RBSS Values:
- -Transition to post high school
- Academic rigour numeracy and literacy
- -attendance
- -Student council
- -Sense of Belonging

-Student Engagement and Student Voice

The Educated Citizen - thoughtful, capable and critical thinkers, capable of making independent decisions- productive, principled and respectful and aware of rights within school, families, community and the world.

Mike would like to flesh out one of our goals at each meeting, if we agree with the values. Mike wants parents involved.

- 5. Bursary/ Fundraising
  - 25 tickets sold so far for Burger and Beverage night for Bursary (1/2 of what we need to sell) Melissa will put it on Facebook. Need more advertising. Final numbers needed by Nov 28. Have table at student learning conferences.

Sahye will look at beer and cider order. Want 2 kinds of beer (light and dark) and 1 cider option. We will have quantities closer to the time. A ticket gets you one drink, second is \$5. Likely looking at 75-80 beer and 25 ciders (based on 50 tickets sold). Want real numbers by Nov 21.

- Marita has connected with Glen Whitney and his band is good to play 2 sets. Recorded music during break? Just Spotify. We need to feed the band.
- Set up: purple plastic table cloths, centre pieces left over from prom a few years ago. We have the oval tables, but Caroline will order rectangular tables and chairs from the district. Better seating for this event.
- We should arrive by 5 at latest for set up
- Nov 27 6:30pm meeting at school to make final arrangements
- Have some hosts to show people in.
- All parents will help with take down

Meeting Adjourned 8:35

Next meeting will be held January 8,2025 @ 6:30pm