



ÉCOLE ROYAL BAY SECONDARY SCHOOL

PAC MINUTES

March 4, 2026 6:30pm

1. Welcome / Call to Order / Territorial Acknowledgement 6:30pm
2. Motion to approve Agenda by Kristen, seconded by Nevada
3. Motion to approve Minutes from February 2026 - Amendment made to state February 2026 and NOT March 2025 as written on the Agenda. Motion made by Kristen and seconded by Melissa.
4. Reports:

President - Nothing to add

Vice President - Nothing to add

Treasurer

-Balance in our gaming account is \$20,261.57, but amount available to spend is \$20,450, so slightly higher, and \$61. That is the \$189 we got back from last year, so for the rest of this year we're always going to have that little discrepancy. But we do have 20,450 to spend.

Balance of checking account is \$2,916, but a \$1,200 check has just been written to Dry Grad - this money came to us erroneously from the Legion, so at the end of the day, once all this is settled, we'll have \$1716.66. \$1156 is marked for Bursaries (roughly \$350 shy of a third bursary) and \$500 marked for General.

Secretary - Nothing to add

SPEAC

-Last meeting was February 18th.

- They went over hiring in the district. They've hired this year since September, 54 EAs and 68 teachers. That's not a net positive because there's some attrition and stuff like that, but lots of people, the active employees in the district have gone up significantly in the last couple years, so right now they have over 2400 versus 3.5 years ago they had 1800.
- There's a proposed fee increase to academies, as costs of running them and costs to maintain the programs are increasing.
- It's an election year for the trustees and there was just a comment that the board meetings continue to be challenging because there's some infighting amongst the trustees.
- Some comments on a resolution proposed by the Vancouver School Board for a review of their district pac and pac roles by the ministry. It's a long-standing issue between them. Not a lot of information was talked about, but just like an FYI.
- Budget presentation to the school board trustees occurred the day before the Speac meeting, so February 17th, where speak advocated for a lot of things, and we'll continue to follow the budget process as it progresses along.
- Gaming licenses are moving to their own agency. There's some changes for getting gaming licenses that will take effect on April 13th.
- No March meeting for speac because of spring break. Next meeting is April 15th.

Principal

- March 3 there is a Dream it, Be it Conference for students that identify as female for all grades. The Career Department has noticed a bit of a decline in interest this year. Not really sure why, but that's something for us to be aware of and maybe promote a bit more next year or talk to some students and ask, how come you're not interested? The careers team is feeling that a lot of kids don't want to leave. As in they don't want to go on a field trip and go somewhere else. They'd rather do activities at the school. Just something to know about.
- March 5 Coffee with a Cop at 8am. Our current RCMP liaison, Justina Webb, has reached the end of her term, so she'll be here, and she'll bring the new liaison Ryan, just to help introduce him to some people. So we have a card and a bit of a gift for Justina with some Royal Bay merch and things.
- March 5 we have a music performance at 7pm

- March 6 is grad bowling trip in the evening
- March 12 is online voting for valedictorian (from short list) The kids made videos.
- March 16 to 27 is spring break.
- March 30 Prom forms go out
- Student Learning Survey (SLS) March 9-April 15 - all students and families will receive an email and are encouraged to respond.
- District Equity Survey going out, great to look at because kids can write comments, and I have found that kids have really amazing comments in that equity survey. We're going attach that to the student learning survey to try to get high numbers. Also the Canadian student alcohol and drugs survey is going out May 4-8. We have been luckily selected as one of the high schools in Canada to do this survey. Information went out, if families want to opt out the can do so, but otherwise, everybody's in. So if anybody does not want to do it, that's totally fine.
- School Plan updates, we've been doing some student focus groups, we've bought them pizza and just gone through the school plan to get some feedback from them. It's been going well. We will bring the school plan and some of the things that we've been hearing to pac in April to share that with everybody.
- In February course requests went really well, so the kids did a great job. We're sitting at 1744 so far for next year, and my guess is still 1,800 students for September.
- There was a Lahal tournament at Spectrum on February 19th, that went really well. It's so positive for them, and it's a really great day and lots of fun.
- April 21st, we have 2 amazing teachers doing cookie capers. Any pac members who would like to be guest judges can reach out to Nevada. Kids get \$20 to spend on baking supplies (these are virtual dollars to spend in a virtual store set up by the teachers. Get to choose what ingredients they want for cookies - basic ones like flour and eggs etc, and options for add ins like chocolate chips etc, but also things like cayenne pepper or chilli powder. Different categories like most delicious, most disgusting, cleanest workspace. There are posters all over the school with QR codes to sign up.
- We're going to host a spring barbeque this year. On April 30th, there'll be an extended lunchtime and then shortened blocks that day. And it'll be a simple offering of hamburgers, just keep it simple this year, and just see how it can

work, and then maybe next year, ramp it up a little bit more. If any parents/pac members would like to help out, let me know.

-May 28th is our 10 year celebration day. We have some prizes, we'll have some giveaways for students and staff. And then after school, we'll have the open house from 4 to 5:30. So the leadership teachers are going to make posters with a QR code so people can give us their grad year if they want. And then that will help us kind of see what the numbers are looking like too. And then we're thinking coffee, tea, cookies. If Pac wants to serve the coffee tea cookies, we could just donate those items to pac, and then you could collect a donation, or however you want to do that.

-A parent reached out regarding students vaping in the bathrooms. This remains an ongoing problem, difficult to deal with. We've looked at smoke alarms that would alert the office, but at this point staff are just doing their best to patrol the bathrooms. We contact parents when students are found vaping, and they are suspended.

5. New Business:

-Spring Bake Sale Friday Mar 6. Mr Mackleroy with Volleyball reached out and would be happy to take any leftover baked goods and sell during the volleyball tournament this weekend, would give us the money. Pac suggested that since the money earned would be going to the leadership committee, they could keep it for that instead of giving it to pac.

6. Bursary Fundraising

-Pacific FC Fundraiser. In speaking with the organization with regards to dry grad, they offered to let us sell tickets for games, and we would get to keep a cut. It would just be a link that we share with our families and they would have to use the link to purchase tickets, we would get \$5/ticket. Very minimal effort on our part. Games would be in April and May. Feeling around the table is that we should go for it, little effort, may be small returns, but it's free money that could go towards funding a bursary.

-We need a bursary committee to go through applications and pick our winners. Hoping for 3 bursaries to hand out, but we'll see how that goes. We had several volunteers for this, they will arrange a sub committee time and date for this once we have the applications.

-Discussion regarding further bake sales. We can sell the cookies at the open house, discussed selling cookies at the barbecue, it was suggested we sell freezies instead, might be a better fit with the occasion. Sahye will check with her contact at Cisco. We would need coolers, pac feels they could provide those, possibly school could help us out with walk in freezers.

7. Other

-Dry Grad Update. We have 264 students on the Instagram account at this point. We are collecting donations for the event

8. Motion to adjourn at 7:27pm put forth by Melissa, Kristen seconds.

Next meeting will be held April 1, 2026 @ 6:30pm in Learning Commons