

Clayburn Middle School Parent Advisory Council

Clayburn Middle Library Learning Commons
October 26, 2022

ATTENDEES –

Jen B., Corina R., Michelle W., Tanya K., Shannon R., Courtney S., Heather Reid. (Principal), Nicolas Cochrane. (Vice Principal)

CALL TO ORDER –

Jen, Chair, called the meeting to order at 7:05pm.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT –

We acknowledge that the Abbotsford School District is located on the traditional territory of the Stó:lō people, the Semá:th and Mathxwí First Nation. With this, we respect the long standing relationships that Indigenous Nations have to this land, as they are the original caretakers. We acknowledge historical and ongoing injustices that Indigenous Peoples endure in Canada, and we accept responsibility as a public educational institution to contribute toward revealing and correcting miseducation as well as respectful relationships with Indigenous communities through our teaching and community engagement.

APPROVAL OF SEPTEMBER 28, 2022 PAC MEETING MINUTES –

Motion to approve the PAC Meeting Minutes from September 28, 2022 as amended by Corina, seconded by Tanya. The motion is passed without opposition.

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT – Provided by Heather Reid

Informational Items:

- 1) If anyone has family members or friends that would be interested in crossing guard work for our School District (people who maybe aren't ready to fully retire yet or might be looking for meaningful part-time work). The hourly pay is \$17.81 plus 8% in lieu of benefits. Shifts are 1.5 hours in the morning and 1.5 hours in the afternoon, as needed. If you know someone that may be interested, please have them email their resume or questions to HRRecruitment@abbyschools.ca. **We will share this on the PAC Facebook page**
- 2) Can we get two parent volunteers to assist with Gr. 6 immunizations on November 8th? There are 219 Gr. 6 students so a few extra juice boxes and cookies would be great. There are approx. 190 juice boxes & 48 Dad's cookies left over from last year as well as some granola bars. It will be in the LLC from 9~11:40am (could be finished earlier). **Shannon & Corina will be the parent volunteers**
- 3) Full complement of staff - Ron Hyde has joined us, job sharing with Jen Cal & providing prep coverage to Mr. Long. We also have two student teachers Catherine & Jennifer from UFV enjoying their first practicum with Jas Piche & Kerri Parsons.
- 4) Spirit Wear is available for purchase (gray hoodies)
 - a) \$40.00 each, sample sizes are available
 - b) Please notify us if this is a gift
 - c) Order due by Nov. 6 to guarantee Christmas delivery
- 5) Thank you PAC for the World Teacher Day (Oct. 5) Gift Cards

School Activities:

- 1) Photo day was held Oct. 3 and retakes took place this morning, Oct. 26
- 2) Students in the Indigenous program visited Science World - "Sacred Journey"
- 3) We have begun our emergency preparedness drills including fire (6), earthquake, shelter in place and lockdown drills (2), and will continue to be practiced throughout the year. **October was safety month, we did 1 drill a week**
- 4) Turkey Trot was a huge success - students in both grades 6 & 8 had a great time
- 5) Spirit Week (by Cougar Crew) took over the building, Fall colours, Pod Pumpkin decorating were a couple of the fun activities culminating with a pep rally
- 6) Student voting was on Oct. 13
- 7) Parent teacher meeting held Wednesday, Oct. 19 (afternoon & evening) and Thursday, Oct. 20 (afternoon)
- 8) Teachers attended pro-d on Friday - learning about Indigenous materials to use in the classroom and the new grade book & report card systems
- 9) Grade 8 hoodies were ordered, there will be some extra sizes.

Discussion Items:

- 1) Affordability Funds discussion (presentation from Heather - summary contents attached at the end of the minutes)
 - a) Heather purchases food items every 2 weeks
 - b) A few other ideas: \$100 gift card to No Frills, Hamper Program for Indigenous families to receive at Xmas, Starfish Backpack Program for kids that need food for the weekend, etc.
- 2) PAC Meeting Dates - conflict with Bateman? ***Bateman PAC had changed their schedule, no more conflict***

TREASURER'S REPORT – (provided by Tracey Lamoureux)

→ General Account:

- ◆ Opening balance on Sept. 26, 2022 was \$2,974.02
- ◆ Account activities includes the following:
 - A cheque of \$54.67 was written out to Alexa L. (Teacher Budget)
 - A cheque of \$280.00 was written out to Corina R. (World Teacher Day)
(outstanding)
- ◆ Closing balance on Oct. 26, 2022 was \$2,539.35

→ Gaming Account:

- ◆ Opening balance on Sept. 26, 2022 was \$7,818.78
- ◆ Received and deposited \$14,580.00 from BC Gaming Contribution (\$20/student)
- ◆ Closing balance as of Oct. 26, 2022 was \$22,398.78

NEW BUSINESS –

→ Toy & Food Drive:

- ◆ Toy Drive (led by Leslie B. and her POD) will take place first week of December
- ◆ Food Drive (by Cougar Crew) will take place in the last week of November. More information still to come in the next week
- ◆ PAC support - will be advertising these events on the PAC FB Page

→ School-wide Ice Skating Days:

- ◆ PAC is funding \$1,000 towards skate rentals (previously budgeted)
- ◆ No other support needed from PAC

→ Musical Treat:

- ◆ There will not be a musical treat before Christmas break; however, there will be a “Winter Celebration” in late January 2023.
- Grade 6 Immunization:
 - ◆ Still looking for two parent volunteers (Shannon & Corina)
 - ◆ PAC to purchase juice boxes & cookies for 219 students (Corina & Tracey)
 - ◆ PAC had previously budgeted \$350 towards the purchase of juice boxes & cookies
- POD 6C teacher reached out to PAC and requested \$100 for pumpkin carving - will ask teacher to reach out to Heather as it deals with affordability issues.

OLD BUSINESS –

- Grade 8 Hoodies updates:
 - ◆ Hoodies have been ordered
 - ◆ PAC will be funding \$2,000 towards the purchase (previously budgeted)
- Emergency Kit Supply Restocking (complete)
- Set Deadline for Teacher Requests:
 - ◆ Deadline is set on Nov. 15
 - ◆ Jen will send updated email to extend deadline
- World Teacher Day (Oct. 5):
 - ◆ Thank you Corina for the gift cards!

NOMINATIONS / ELECTION OF VACANT PAC POSITION –

- Social Media Liaison Coordinator: If you or know someone that is interested in this position, please contact the PAC @ clayburnpac@gmail.com

ADJOURNMENT –

There being no further questions or discussions, the PAC meeting was adjourned at 8:16pm. Motion to adjourn by Jen B., seconded by Michelle W., the motion is passed and the meeting is adjourned.

The next PAC Meeting will take place on November 23, 2022 @ 7:00pm in the Library Learning Commons (LLC).

All future PAC Meeting dates can be found on the school’s website under Parent Advisory Council (PAC).

Affordability Funds Presentation (provided by Heather)

Summary

The Ministry of Education and Child Care announced that it would be allocating \$60 million in one-time funding to school districts to increase food security for students and their families, and to support students, parents, and guardians with affordability concerns during the 2022/2023 school year.

The Abbotsford School District has received \$1.9 million in one-time funding to make the return to school more affordable for students and families.

Consultation Process

In early September 2022, the Abbotsford School District consulted with leadership teams, schools, Indigenous communities and its District Parent Advisory Council (DPAC) to determine how this money can best support the specific needs of families in the community.

950 Participants / 609 Thoughts / 13,996 Ratings

Key Areas of Support

Through our consultation processes, these top priorities were identified:

Meals and Food Security
School Supplies
School Fees
Clothing for School

Our School Allocation

Funding has been distributed based on the Social Service Index for each school.

*For the 2022-23 school year, we will receive **\$24,569** to support families' need for meals and food security, school supplies, fee waivers, or school clothing.*

Accessing Funding

Connect with your school Principal to inquire about access to the Affordability Fund.

All inquiries will be kept private and confidential.