

École George Elliot Secondary School Parent Advisory Council (PAC) Minutes Monday, September 22nd 2025 at 6:30pm

In Person: Library

1.0 Call to Order 6:30pm

Attendance/Introductions: Jim L, Craig C, Ros H, Ian L, Bretta L, Mark H, Vick S, Brian Z, Michele P Regrets: Tanya L, Don F, Cynthia L

- **2.0** Agenda: Additions/Approval Approved: Ros, Seconded: Bretta
 - 2.1 Discuss BCCPAC Annual Fees
 - 2.2 The first Cash Raffle License for the Grad Committee
 - 2.3 Discussion on the decision by SD23 to exclude Art Walk from the school after 32 years!
 - **2.4** Tim Freshette has asked for a donation for senior boy's soccer team re: tournament in Kamloops September 23rd-24th (fast track if we can)
 - 2.5 Vaping issues in the washrooms; what can we do?
 - **2.6** Potential Hot Lunch Program spearheaded by GESS PAC for all of Lake Country, discussion on arranging a forum with 4 x PACs and Food Bank in Lake Country; agreed further discussion from last school year.
- 3.0 Minutes: Previous Meeting Minutes Additions/Approval Approved: Ros Seconded: Bretta
 - **3.1** BCCPAC budget wasn't passed! Could be a problem. BCC Summer Games in Kelowna 2026. Each PAC is asked for a \$75 fee. Agreed for us to hold on until we know what's happening, we have until December 2025. We will discuss next meeting.
 - 3.2 Michele & Jodi will have one in the upcoming fall. Motion from Ros Approved: Bretta, Seconded: Mark
 - **3.3** Not true! There was no insurance and so liability is an issue. Art Walk CAN book the school, but would need to pay liability insurance to cover the situation.
 - **3.4** \$1,000 \$1,500 asked; \$1,000 proposed by Craig, *Approved: Ian, Seconded: Ros*
 - 3.5 Jim declared that they are never locked due to vaping, only maintenance (vandalism/leaks etc)
 - **3.6** Ongoing discussion, there is a need! Craig will visit PACs for feedback and will report at the next meeting. HS Grenda PAC Sept 23rd.
- **4.0 Principal's Report**: Jim Laird See Accompanying Report

5.0 Reports:

- **5.1 President** Craig Catton: Nothing to report.
- **5.2 Treasurer** Ros Hazen: Tanya and Jodi will need to go to the bank to allow the signatures to be changed.

As Per : 09/22/25	Balance	Request	Funds Requested/ Pending	Funds Approved
Gaming	\$21,513.43	Oyama Zipline G12 (25/26)		\$3,685.50
		THIS WILL BE UPDATED WHEN BALANCES		
		ARE KNOWN AND REQUESTS SUBMITTED		
		AND APPROVED		
			TOTAL	\$3,685.50
General*	\$1,524.88		REMAINING	\$17,827.93

^{* =} not part of "REMAINING" balance

5.3 COPAC – Tanya & Ros: Great first meeting; John Rever new Superintendent, Linda Reeve Deputy Superintendent. No board meeting yet. E-scooter discussion 16 years, e-bikes 14 years, with throttle 16 years.

Hannah Beech, Oct 16th for understanding adolescence workshop.

6.0 Old Business:

6.1: Potential Hot Lunch Program spearheaded by GESS PAC for all of Lake Country (see minutes 3.2)

7.0 New Business:

- **7.1** Welcome to newcomers Vic, Brian and Michele. Always good to have "new blood" and we hope to see you again. We will also promote PAC at the upcoming Open Evening on October 16th.
- **7.2** Grenda suicide There was some discussion on the situation; Jim commented on what he knew, but that is limited. This was to see what GESS is doing to deal with the situation and what we could do to help with the situation. It's too early to comment. We will visit again next meeting.
- 8.0 Adjournment: 7:43 pm

Next meeting: October 20th 2025, Woodshop