

Royal Oak Middle School

PAC Meeting Minutes

Wed Oct 13, 2021, 7:00 pm

Present: President: Luanne Richardson, Vice- President: Jennifer Furtado, Treasurer: Don Mellings, Grants: Jill Shaw, COPACS Rep: Julia Roemer, Co- Secretary: Jen Snow (Communications) & Jenny Eastman, Member at Large-Lunch Program: Jen Furtado & Tynke Landsmeer, Grade 8 Liaison: Kirsty Hooker, ROMS Family members: Lisa Jones, Heidi Low, Megan Mbaio, Tanna Mellings, Ashley Jones, 14 ROMS families were represented.

Territorial Acknowledgement: We acknowledge and thank the W̱SÁNEĆ people on whose traditional territory we live, learn, and teach. The W̱SÁNEĆ people have lived and worked on this land since time immemorial.

1. ROMS Counselling Team Presentation on counselling services

We have three councillors at ROMS: Aoy Broome, Patrick Cannon, Karen Romell. There are three ways in which to be referred- students self-refer, parent referral, and teacher referral.

Parents and students can access: Saanich School District Website- Mental Health and Wellness Snapshots, Comprehensive School Health Resources, Family Smart-Together Centered for Child and Youth Mental Health, and Human Nature Counselling and Consulting

2. Administration Report (Karen MacEwan, Sara Postlewaite)- The school district 2022-2027strategic plan is in process and parents are encouraged to give feedback (sd63.bc.ca).

The ROMS Parent Weekly Update is sent out on Fridays. Announcements can be accessed on the ROMS school page.

The Grade 4 and 7 FSA tests- if parents have concerns regarding this test, their feedback could be shared with the school district.

3. Approval of Agenda and call for additional items- Motion to approve agenda-Jill Shaw seconded by: Julia Roemer CARRIED

4. Approval of Minutes: Motion to approve minutes: Jennifer Snow seconded: Julia Roemer CARRIED

5. Presidents Report

Volunteers for Grade 6 immunizations have been organized.

Earthquake supplies- Supertankers were to be purchased. This could be part of the spring teacher requests

Lunch program was funded previously through the CG Gift cards. There is a greater need this year due to additional students and the PAC has been asked to help fund. Staff appreciation- the cost was double last year as we were not permitted to ask for donations. This year we should be able to proceed with asking for potluck items from parents

6. Review of Teachers Funding Requests

Grade 8 year end-\$250

Families in need- \$500

Azim -Eyeballs- \$477.60

Ravenhill- Recess PE Equipment- \$2,064

Rayner-Learning Commons Refresh- \$5000

Johnson/Llyod-Home Ec Supplies-\$1000

Kardash et al- Kiln- \$5000

PISE programming for teachers-\$1,760

Karen will request a closer number for the price of the kiln. Can the difference be covered by the district?

PISE program for teachers- 16 divisions which include a series of lessons for students and teachers would benefit as well. It is partially funded by the district.

Question as to whether the PAC should be paying for teacher training? Karen will address and pass on concern.

7. Treasurer's Report- 2021/22 Budget Approval

Motion forward to approve budget- Don Mellings seconded by: Jill Shaw

8. Confederation of Parent Advisory Council in Saanich (COPACS) Update

The meeting is tomorrow. The strategic plan will be discussed. A parent ed session is planned with Allison Reese.

9. Speaker and Fundraising Ideas- none at this time

10. Grade 8 Liaisons- Kirsty Hooker Kirsty could use another volunteer. We will need to see what can occur in the future.

11. Lunch Program- Sign Up Genius will be used by parents to donate baked goods or hot items. Pizza Fridays does supply food as well.

12. Additional discussion items

Motion to adjourn at 8:30 pm: Don Mellings Secounded by: Julia Roemer

Ongoing Fundraising

- **Peninsula Coop Number: (58597)** Put this number in your phone and don't forget to use it when you pay at the gas station or grocer.

- **Country Grocer receipts:** Save your receipts as PAC can earn gift cards to Country Grocer. The collection envelope is hanging by the PAC Bulletin Board at school.
- **COBS bread:** PAC participates in the COBS bread fundraising program. Mention Royal Oak when you go in and 5% will go back to our school with every purchase.

Next PAC General Meetings:

- Wednesday, November 17, 7pm – mark in your calendar!