



## SARDIS SECONDARY SCHOOL

### PAC Minutes

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*January 20, 2025 Called to order by Laura Plant , Chair at 7:01 pm*

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#### In Attendance

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Laura Plant (Chair), Julie Veer (Vice Chair), Allyson Hockin (Secretary), Andrea Lees (Treasurer) Erin Enns (DPAC), Amy Brosinski, Tai Weatherhead, Andrea Bleasdale and Lynnet Schramm (Principal)

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#### Approval of Agenda and Minutes

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- Land Acknowledgement and Introduction of parents present
  - Tai motions to adopt agenda with additional agenda item added, seconded by Erin
  - Tai motions to adopt minutes of October meeting, second by Andrea B
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#### Treasurer's Report

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- **Gaming Account** Balance at \$39,196.62 Gaming Approvals \$ (38,996.11) Balance Available \$172.89
  - **General Account** Balance on January 20, 2005 \$12,024.66 Funds Available \$10,024.66 (After \$2000 Student Initiative Approvals
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#### Principal's Report

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##### PROVINCIAL NUMERACY ASSESSMENT

Gr. 10 students will be completing the Graduation Numeracy Assessment (GNA) during this week's assessment session from Jan 20 – 23<sup>rd</sup> 2025

- The GNA is a provincially mandated assessment.
- It's a grad requirement - students **must** complete assessment to graduate.
- The assessment score will be on the official transcript.
- Kevin Sigaty has been doing review with Sc 10 classes to prepare them!

##### COURSE PLANNING & REGISTRATION FOR 2025/26:

Registration at Sardis Secondary for the 2025/26 school year is available via the Chilliwack School District on-line registration process.

- Thursday, January 23 – Grade 8 school visits for Stitos and MSMS
- Monday, April 14 – Grade 8 school visits for VMS and CMS
- Feb 5: Course planning presentations during Career Day, Course planning in last period (HR); Grads come for Capstone (signup via MyFlex)

- Feb 12: Students absent on Feb 5 to attend session in Theatre during Focus to do course selections
- Reverse Verifications Students Feb 25, Staff Mar 3-7
- Remind teachers to talk to students about recommendations for next courses/course selections (if currently in Sc 10, what would your recommendation be for their Science 11?)
- New courses – see the calendar online

#### CHANGE TO FOCUS for semester 2

- Going back to student selection – Using MyFlex App

CLASSROOM LIGHTS CHANGING TO LED- classes impacted will relocate to the library

#### Report Cards

- Posted Jan 31 and distributed Feb 3

#### CELLPHONE POLICY REMINDER AND TWEAK

Other:

Attendance Procedure

Link Nominations out and application soon

Parent Question: Do any of the trades programs at Sardis end with certification at Graduation?

Answer: No, They are usually the equivalent of the first year of a trades program. Needs continuing Education

Parent Question: When a teacher is on leave, how do we reach out to the replacement?

Answer: Try Emailing the regular teacher to see if there is an auto reply. If not, reach out to Admin

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#### DPAC Report (Reported by Tai)

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- Guest speaker named Ricky. He runs a Garrison bike bus taking Watson elementary students from their homes in Garrison to Watson elementary in the mornings. They pick up students along the way. They have a designated path they travel. The more kids who go on bikes the better. There is power in numbers. No one wants to run over 40 kids but they would run over 1 cyclist! There is safety in numbers. More schools and PACs should participate!
- There will be a broader survey going out about the strategic plan.
- Resignation of Erin Enns from the BCCPAC rep. She can no longer do this role. A new DPAC rep will be appointed to this BCCPAC rep position. If anyone is interested let Katie Bartel know.
- Trustee Teri presented the trustee report. Strategic planning is underway. There will be board elections. Trustee Recheilt will be stepping down as Chair. Every year they have elections. Willow is stepping down as Chair, not as a trustee.

- BCCPAC report Deirdre reported. Normally November is for DPAC executives only. Good knowledge is passed on. It is opened up for any parent now. Reach out to Deirdre or Katie if interested. All info is on the BCCPAC website.
- BCCPAC board has 4 or more open seats. If you want to serve at the provincial level.
- There will be a DPAC logo committee.
- Bullying and racism. We want the district to take it more seriously. We are going to ask the district to create an action plan. DPAC is going to write a letter. They would like PACs to add their school names to it. They would like the district to have a plan. For example, how to deal with bullying. They have decided to put a hold on the letter writing because some DPAC reps wanted to bring it to their school PACs first. Is it okay with Vedder Middle PAC to sign our name on the letter to the district? ANSWER: We would like to see the letter first before signing our name to it.
- Is there any feedback about new buses? Someone said the seats are too small for some students.

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## New Business

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- Student Initiative Fund Update: 5 Applications- 1 did not meet criteria, 4 applications approved for \$500 each. Spring Student Hamper- Sardis Bible Study, Grad's Castle Fun Park Day, Sardis Medicine Club Spring Dance, Sardis Secondary Black History Month. Each application was well researched and presented.
- Erin is looking for a DPAC REP Alternate. Tai will be the new DPAC REP Alternate
- Julie motions to put a poll on Facebook PAC Page and Sardis Parent page to poll families regarding the PAC donation on SSS Student Pay. Poll will highlight options and how funds are used. Second by Andrea L. All in Favor

Adjourned at 8:10pm

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## Next Meeting

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**February 24, 2025 at 7PM in the Library**