

Valley View PAC Meeting

Tuesday, October 21, 2025

In Attendance

Chair: Chelsey Newton

Vice Chair: Megan Norrish

Treasurer: Jonathan Kisiloski

Secretary: *vacant*

Fundraising Coordinator: Susie Gilson

DPAC Rep: *vacant*

Trustee: Janice Caton

Principal: Michelle Mowbray (absent)

Vice Principal: Yolanda Lehton

Others: Sumi Playfair, Lisa, Chantal Stagg, Erica Otto, Lisette Raposo, Pam Saccucci

MEETING NOTES

Meeting called to order at 6:31 pm

Gilakas'la

Welcome everyone. I would like to acknowledge that we are on the traditional territories of the K'ómoks First Nation. We would like to thank them for the privilege of living on the land and the gift of working with their children.

Gilakas'la

Introductions all around

Agenda to be approved as presented. Susie motion Jonathan Second

All in favour: PASSED

Minutes from September to be approved as amended. Susie motion Megan Second

All in favour: PASSED

School Admin Report: Yolanda Lehton

- Cross country - last race tomorrow (Oct 22nd)
- Volleyball starts this week
- Great shakeout last week went very well

- Photo retakes Oct 30th
- Halloween dance Oct 30th, parade Oct 31st
- Fun staff event planned for the assembly on Oct 31st
- Nov 10th remembrance day assembly, no school Nov 11th
- Nov 18-20th Scholastic Book Fair
- Nov 20th parent teacher conferences, 6 classes going to student lead conferences (30 min vs 10-15 min but more families at 1 time) presented like a paper portfolio. Note to parents that teachers are always available to meet with families if they are needing something, don't need to wait for a parent-teacher conference
- Some classes will switch part way through the year to student-lead conferences
- Staff announcement tomorrow: Michelle is on leave, Yolanda is acting principal, acting vice principal will be coming Monday, Tamara Langan from Lake Trail.
- Fri Nov 21st there will be a walk around the school grounds and neighbourhood to look at traffic and safety (done by a contracted company). Report should be done before the new year with work on improvements starting in 2026.

Trustee Report: Janice Caton

Ministry of Education amended the school act - each district must add a day of Indigenous learning for staff. Proposed as Fri before the long weekend in May, starting next year 2026. This will be a day for staff to learn and no school for students.

Incoming amendment, not yet passed - schools can be open before/after school for child care/daycare. Some schools are currently running this as a pilot program. This change is because currently schools can't be open for non-educational purposes. This gives support workers an opportunity to get full time hours if they're currently part time. There is currently no exact timeline for this to get approval.

Numbers are pretty strong across the district. Some schools are higher while others are lower and predictions weren't always accurate for every school. But we're in a good position overall.

CUPE and BCTF bargaining agreements this year. Nothing happening yet, waiting on BCGEU strike.

The district is starting the budget process earlier this year for more time for parents to provide feedback. 55/60 districts in the province are cutting, we're one of the few that aren't and this has provided us a bit of flexibility.

Chair's Report: Chelsey Newton

Nothing to report

Fundraising/Volunteer Report: Susie

Coupon Books now complete (just about), sold 162

Wreaths and swags started from a local company. All hand made.

Spiritwear order form ready to go.

Purdy's still going ahead despite the store in the mall.

Halloween dance coming Oct 30th. Pizza orders open at <https://valleyviewpac.square.site>

Winter market coming Nov 22nd - sold out of tables. Food sales, photo booth will be a part of this.

Snowball dance coming in Dec. Movie night in Jan.

Treasurer's Report: Jonathan Kisiloski

Account balances at end of September:

Non - gaming: \$17,966.87 one outstanding cheque \$296.94

Gaming: \$4,250.64 with one outstanding cheque of \$98

Received gaming grant of \$7220

Budgets

The budgets were posted online since Oct 1st for both gaming and non-gaming accounts.

Gaming budget - Megan motioned to approve the gaming budget as presented. All in favour. Approved.

Non-gaming budget - Megan motioned to approve non-gaming as presented. All in favour. Approved.

DPAC Report:

Nothing to report

Other business:

We are providing additional funding to the music program this year since it's something that involves every student in the school. We had Ms Raposo provide some insights to the group as to what this money will go towards - music themed carpet, gathering drums, carpet, xylophones, multi cultural hand puppets, self regulation tools (sound bowls, etc)

Some questions were answered on hot lunch (starting in Jan), parking, facebook page (anything needing to be posted should be messaged to the page), halloween dance (due to space limitations, we're limiting to students of the school and their parents), and chat about pac positions available.

!! We're looking for new people to join us! We have several open positions. If anyone is interested in getting more involved in the PAC on any level, please chat with us at a meeting or email valleyviewpac@gmail.com

Meeting adjourned 8:16 pm motion by Susie

Next Meeting November 18th, 2025 at 6:30pm