

Rutland Senior Secondary School Parent Advisory Council (PAC)

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TUESDAY February 21st, 2023 @7pm in Library at RSS

Meeting MINUTES

2022/23 RSS PAC Executive

President: Marie Howell
Vice-President: Angela Trush
Treasurer: Jodi Schmitke
Secretary: Angela Scheming
COPAC Representative: Mike Figurski
Back Up COPAC Representative: Jammie Paterson

Administrators

Principal: Hugh Alexander

Vice Principals:

Mr. Jarret Atkins..... Last names A - F
Ms. Rani Gandham..... Last names G - N
Ms. Michelle Johnston..... Last names O – Z

PAC Meetings

No March meeting.
Tuesday April 11th, 2023

Annual General Meeting

Tuesday May 16th, 2023

**ALL Executive Positions will
require NEW parents.**

1. Welcome, Attendance & Introductions-- Marie Howell, Jodi Schmitke, Angela Scheming, Angela Trush, Sofia Simeonidis, Jarret Atkins, Jammie Paterson, Bonnie-Lee Gorda, Mike Figurski, Teresa Banka, Tamara Ebl, Feyza, Maria Elena Montoya Ayala
2. Adoption of Agenda, additions, or deletions---- Sofia motioned to adopt the amended agenda, Marie 2nd it.
3. Adoption January 2023 Minutes –Jodie motioned to accept, Angela Trush 2nd it.
4. **Administrators Report**—Jarret presented the Administrators report today. Course selection is currently in progress and will wrap up this week. Parent Teacher conferences will happen on March 9th and they will be by Zoom. More information will follow about these. Basketball is wrapping up and the Junior Boys, Gr 9 Boys and the Senior Boys have had an amazing season with the senior boys fighting for a provincial spot starting tonight. Lindsay Reynoldson and Jackie Groat will be putting on a small mini leadership conference next month. This will be a small practice one as RSS will be hosting the Horizons Leadership Conference next fall and that one will run Friday, Saturday, and Sunday. Hockey Fees for the hockey academy have gone up. The last increase was in 2014. Due to the increase in Ice Rental and inflation, these fees are increasing to \$1170/semester/student. The PAC is required to vote on whether these fees can go up. Marie put a motion to accept the increase of the Hockey Fees for the Hockey Academy from \$1000 to \$1170 per semester, Jodi 2nd it – (please note that PAC is not in any way responsible for this increase, nor does the PAC pay for any of these fees) All in Favour

5. **COPAC Representative Report**—Jammie brought the report –They are looking for feedback on the spending and the budget. Check out the district website to see more. We still need the numbers from the province about how much money will be given and then they can finalize the numbers- this should happen early March. Sexual Health ends in Grade 10 and it was brought up that this is still important for grade 11-12. Further discussion about single use bathrooms was had – this is a capital cost so this needs to come from the district. Depending on the age of the school and the financial cost – this isn't happening as quickly as we would like but is slowly coming into all schools. These bathrooms are for the use of any child who does not feel comfortable using the multi stall bathrooms.
6. **Financial Reports**
 - 6.1 Treasurer Report – All invoices that were received prior to Christmas have been paid out. All the bursary checks have now been sent out. Jodi is working on getting an online CRA account set up. The Learning space that Mr. Friesen had requested –has been delayed due to the school district not having their work done. There may be remaining money for this, and we should know by the Spring Requests. We have not heard from the football team regarding uniforms. Jodi motioned to accept the treasurers report, Angela Trush 2nd it.
7. **Presidents Report**
 - 7.1 PAC COBSS – Bursary and 4 other bursaries. -When COBSS comes to us with the applicants, PAC executive who don't have grads will review the bursary applicants. COBSS has a rating system that helps choose the candidates however RSS PAC Executive still has discretion over the choices.
 - 7.2 Big Brother Big Sister Fundraiser – how this will be dispersed will be further discussed at the funding meeting in April. The Music department has taken ownership of this and is doing all the leg work.
Advertising to the school population and parents – Dry Grad was a non sanctioned school event – now that it has been amalgamated and it is now just called Prom – which is school sanctioned, the school can advertise for it. Other groups in the school also do fundraisers however if your child is not in that class or group, the rest of the school is not aware of the fundraiser. How can we let the whole school/parents know about fundraisers happening in the school? Jarret and Hugh will discuss this further and let Marie know what can be done.
8. **Grad Parent Committee** – About \$14,000 has been raised but it's the same parents, and their funds. The Grad Parent Committee only has a very small number of emails of the grad parents – not enough parents are aware of the events and aren't participating. The parents of all the grade 12s need to know about events. Finding a way to get the information out to all the parents will be discussed and the information will be given to the Grad Parent Committee.
9. Additional Items- No additional items.
10. Adjournment – 7:57
No March Meeting
April 11-- Meeting in person only– Financial meeting at 7pm.
Annual General Meeting will be in May

Appendix A – Treasurer’s Report