



West Boundary Elementary School
Regular Meeting of the Parent Advisory Council (PAC)
WBES Library, Rock Creek, BC
Wednesday, November 26, 2025 at 4:30pm
MINUTES

The President called the meeting to order at 4:17pm

Present:

Tanya R.	President / Co-Treasurer
Tessa S.	Vice President / Co-Treasurer
Nick B.	Principal / Member at Large
Mark D.	Trustee
Pattie K.	Member at Large
Ashley A.	Member at Large

Acknowledgement of the Indigenous peoples and ancestors.

Call for New Business

Adoption of Agenda

MOVED/SECONDED

"That the Agenda for 26-Nov-2025 be adopted as circulated."

CARRIED

Adoption of Minutes

MOVED/SECONDED

"That the 15-Oct-2025 Regular PAC Meeting minutes be adopted as circulated."

CARRIED

Adoption of Treasurer's Report

MOVED/SECONDED

"That the 26-Nov-2025 Treasurer's Report be adopted as circulated."

CARRIED

Principal's Report

See Attached Report

DPAC Report

- N/A – DPAC Rep absent.

Trustee's Report

- Spoke a little about how things have changed over the years regarding how children play in the snow and what is acceptable at schools now vs. the rough and tough play of the past. Reminiscenced about some playground games that are no longer allowed at schools today.
- Secretary/Treasurer, Miranda Burdock, has taken a position with the School District in Osoyoos and will be leaving SD51 in March. Ann Cooper, who has been hired to assist the Board of Trustees with the recruitment of a new Super Intendent will also be helping with the recruiting process of a new Secretary/Treasurer.
- January 20th is the deadline for having a short list of candidates for the Super Intendent position.
- Feb. 3rd will see interviews occurring for the Super Intendent position.
- SD51 has been dealing with some imbalances between school registrations in both the West and the East. Hutton Elementary saw a significant increase in students this year while Perley Elementary had a significant decrease. This affects staffing, as positions and contracts are secured earlier in the year. Hutton is short staffed this year, while Perley is over staffed because of his registration shift. The district has also noticed this happening on a smaller scale in the West between GES and WBES.
- Registration imbalances brought up the topic of catchment areas. SD51 used to have catchments but did away with them years ago, opening up the opportunity for families to register at the school of their choosing.
- Board of Trustees passed a motion to leave the current catchment situation as is for now.

Correspondence

- Shilo from the paint fundraiser emailed to let us know she can rent the Westbridge Hall, but it is \$300, which is too expensive for her to pay without increasing her fees to us. Tanya responded that we already have enough fundraisers happening this Fall/Winter, but we could discuss the possibility of a paint night in the Spring.

Old Business

- Bank accounts in Osoyoos have been closed and member shares deposited to Steller Vista.
- Bookfair was a huge success with over \$3100 in sales and \$950 of Scholastic credits to purchase new books for each classroom and the school library. Huge thanks to all the volunteers who helped set up, take down and run the bookfair.
- Teacher bookfair sneak peak and taco lunch was a hit. Thanks Tanya and Tessa for preparing the lunch and doing the cleanup.
- Grade 7 Grad hoodies – Nick & Tessa – No update. Nick will work on contacting BC Sportswear and getting the grad signatures.

MOTION:

"That the PAC cover the cost, in full, for the Grade 7 Grad hoodies. Funds to be withdrawn from the Gaming Account."

CARRIED

New Business

- Nick B. proposed that PAC look at purchasing folding/portable bleachers for the school to use for sports and events. He has cleared the purchase and use with our district Director of Operations, Dave Reid. Average cost is approximately \$3000 plus tax and shipping. Will look into this in the New Year.
- Grade 7 year books – Ms. Turanski will organize the content and ordering of the books with her grade 7 students if PAC will cover the cost.

MOTION:

"That PAC cover the costs, in full, for the Grade 7 graduating class of 2026 year books. Funds to be withdrawn primarily from the Gaming Account, and General Account if necessary."

CARRIED

- Skating field trips – Ice rental and bussing fees.

MOTION:

"That PAC cover the costs, in full, for ice rental and bussing costs for three field trips to the Boundary Expo Recreation Centre in Midway. Funds to be withdrawn from the Gaming Account."

CARRIED

Fundraisers

- Purdy's – Closed – Delivery scheduled for first week of December. Will need volunteers to sort orders when they arrive.
- Coffee – Active – Orders due Nov.27. Pickup week of Dec.8-11. Will need volunteers to sort and label coffee orders when they arrive.
- 50/50 – Active – Nov.25 to Dec.17. Draw at the Christmas Concert on the 17th.
- Easter Pie Fundraiser – Yes, we would like to do this – Tanya will connect with Tia about ordering.
- Hot Dog Hot Lunch Fundraiser – Need to get pricing on hot dogs and buns from McMynn's Family Foods to set a selling price. Do we also offer a side ie: fruit or veggie? Tanya will consult with McMynn's Family Foods and work to start some hot lunch days in the New Year.
- Spirit Wear – Active – Orders due Dec.11. Delivery in the New Year.

Upcoming Dates

See School Calendar

School Christmas Concert – Dec.17 – Sell any remaining 50/50 tickets at concert.

Future Agenda Items

- Bylaw Update Review – would like to pass updated Constitution and Bylaws at the next meeting. Tanya will send out the draft pdf for a final review.

Upcoming Meeting(s)

Next Regular Meeting:

Wednesday January 14, 2026 @ 4:15pm

Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 5:40pm.

Principal's Report – November 2025

Dear Families,

We have been thrust into winter, and we can now turn our attention to all the fun activities it brings. While it may not be everyone's favourite season, kids have a way of making the most of it!

Since the last report, our soccer season wrapped up at Hutton with some inspired play and our volleyball season has continued with several great games. Our team is excited to play this Thursday at the wrap-up tournament at BCSS.

WBES took Halloween to another level with a phenomenal Haunted House, Halloween Dance and the annual Pumpkin Run. Thank you to our amazing staff (and student helpers) for putting this together. If only every year we could have Halloween on a Friday!

The Remembrance Day Ceremony at BCSS was well done. Our school sang 'We Remember' beautifully - well done.

Our visits to Boundary Expo Recreation Centre for skating have been a lot of fun! Thank you to all those who helped tie skates and several new skaters learn how. We love our days there.

After-school Pickleball and Art Club continue with some great skill development and artistic expression, respectively.

We are pleased to welcome back Mrs. Brouwer and thank Ms. P for her time here. We will continue to see Ms. P as teacher-on-call. We also welcome several Grade 12 students who have come to help in the classrooms.

Lastly, I am proud to report that our annual FSA results have come back with excellent results. These annual assessments for literacy and numeracy are used to help support our professional learning direction and give us a sense of how we are doing year-to-year. The students were promised a pizza party if they 'did their best' and they certainly did! Pizza will be served on Thursday, December 11th for those who wrote. Thank you Grade 4s and Grade 7s for your awesome efforts. Also, thank you staff for making WBES a great place to learn!

Looking forward to seeing you at the Christmas Concert on Wednesday, December 17th! The last school week of 2025 is shaping up to be a great one.

Yours in education,

Nick