

Spectrum Parent Advisory Council (PAC)

MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday, September 09, 2025 @ 6:30PM

Meeting called to order at 6:27 pm

Attendees: Aaron Norris, Kindree Draper, Christine Surridge, Janice Mangano, Serena Samra, Nicole, Kristina, Netta, Brandeen, Vania, Lauren, Alison

1. Introductions

2. Review and Approve June Meeting Minutes and September Agenda

- Motion to approve June 11, 2025 meeting minutes by Janice; seconded by Christine
- Motion to approve September 9, 2025 meeting agenda by Janice; seconded by Christine

3. Welcome to Spectrum PAC overview

- Overview, intent and expectations provided
 - Inclusive meetings where parents/caregivers can share thoughts and hear information about the activities of the school, focus on creating a respectful environment and ultimately, enhancing the educational experience of our students
 - Spectrum PAC's main purpose is to bring coordination between school and parent community
 - Some of this is achieved through the Spectrum app, but it's helpful to have parents and caregivers join the [Spectrum PAC Facebook](#) page so that we can get quick input and share information broadly – [guidelines](#) provide parameters for information shared on the page
 - Second main role is to allocate Gaming Grant funding to teachers and clubs through a decision-making process that includes parent community input and voting – [see last year's allocations](#)

4. Principal / Admin Report

- Welcome Back BBQ and first week
 - Grade 9 welcome first day; Grades 10-12 on Wednesday
 - Welcome back BBQ with hot dogs
- School Start up
 - Busy but a good start up
 - Feedback on Parent Connect/Student Connect for student schedules
- Meet the Teacher
 - Less turnout than previous years; looking for feedback on how to improve timing
- Athletics
 - Football have started up; first home game is coming up!
 - Volleyball and Soccer tryouts taking place
 - Cross Country, Swimming are starting up
 - Clubs are starting up
 - Musical meeting took place; Band has started up
- Enrolment
 - Full school with 1,200 students in the school; 135 are international students (total for semester 1 and 2); Spectrum is full for this year
- Communication
 - App/Newsletter/Weekly Newsletter are the avenues used to communicate to families
- Family Connection Topics
 - First Friday of every month
 - Requesting feedback on topics: Assessments
- Facilities
 - Foods room was renovated
 - Flood took place before reno – luckily

5. Grad Update

- Grad Spirit days – started off with tight and bright on picture day, along with a number of other spirit days lined up
- Pinnies handed out to Grad students
- Winter formal + Grad dinner / dance details
- Grad photos will take place late November

6. Financial Update

- Account Balances:
 - General Account: \$1,134.88
 - Gaming Account: \$3,066.29
 - Two withdrawals of \$25.01 each (July and August) by grad 50/50 fundraising company (set up by the 2024/25 grad committee). Investigation in progress to determine why account continues to be debited monthly
 - Applied for Gaming Grant and waiting to hear back, submitted final report for the 2024/25 fiscal year ending June 30, 2025

7. VCPAC

- Next General Meeting is September 18
- New executive have been elected
- Purpose of the VCPAC is to provide parent input and engagement to the school board which is fed up through the school level PACs like Spectrum

8. Questions / Comments

- Discussion of PAC funds and how funds are allocated and distributed

9. Meeting Adjourned

- Meeting Adjourned at 7:17PM
- Next Meeting: Budget Meeting October 14 @ 6:30PM