Nov 17, 2025 6:30 PM

Ecole W.L. Seaton Secondary School Seaton PAC Meeting Minutes

Attendance:

Gus Busenius, Elizabeth Brown, Danielle Smith, Tasha Gagne, Camillia Courts, Jason Gozjolko, Sean Ling-Allen

Meeting called to order at 6:32pm.

Tasha acknowledged that we are grateful to live, work and play on the traditional, ancestral and unceded territories of the Syilx peoples of the Okanagan Nation.

Approval of Agenda: Tasha motioned to approve the meeting agenda. Danielle approved. Camillia seconded.

Adoption of minutes: Camillia motioned to adopt the minutes, Jason seconded.

Administration Report/Athletics Report: Gus Busenius

- 1. Cross-country made provincials with 16 students moving on. One male doing the 5km in 16 minutes!
- 2. Senior girls volleyball made provincials, and they are held in Vernon this year, so no travel needed.
- 3. Senior boys won the best of 2 zones.
- 4. Volleyball is now over, and tryouts are open for basketball.
- 5. DELF exams have started this week.
- 6. Over 4,000 comments were reviewed for report cards this last week. Grade 8's coming out in December, and everyone else in the new year.
- 7. Gus Busenius shared the Seaton budget for 2025/2026. Compared to last year. Mentioning items such as the Food fund of \$35,000 for breakfast program, lunches and snacks for the kids. The Hardship Fund was cancelled this year due to funding, which led to a private funder locally donating to all the schools giving \$11,500 to Seaton for items such as grad fees, bussing, school fees, athletic fees, and families under hard times.

- 8. A new department is being put into place, "Mental Health Wellness". A new department head will be chosen. Helping children and their families with high anxiety, etc. Creating a new committee to come up with ways they can help support.
- 9. A new learning series "Attendance Matters" bringing children and their families together to discuss ways to support kids' mental health and attendance in school.

DPAC Report: Sean Ling-Allen

- 1. The school board has mentioned that 2,500 are using the bussing system, which is an increase from last year.
- 2. School populations have increased, leading to an increase in money.
- 3. A lack of EA's within the school is leading to a concern, the current QP report shows that the union is bargaining for an agreement on the concern with the lack of EA's.
- 4. Alexis Park has had to turn away new applications due to being at capacity.

Treasurer's Report: Danielle Smith

BCCPAC membership fees have been completed and paid.

An available balance of \$32,926.82 for the 2025/2026 school year.

Grad 2025 left a legacy amount of \$3,764.62, and a new balance for this year of \$2,630.68, totaling \$6395.30.

2025/2026 PAC Requests:

- 1. Pam Taylor requested support for the sewing club at \$600. Approved by all.
- 2. Amy Messner requested \$1,700 for school spirits supplies, and support for the Random Acts of Kindness club. \$1,000 was approved by all.
- 3. Craig Howard requested funding for the Robotics club at \$7,994. \$5,000 was approved by all.
- 4. Matt Munro requested \$3,000 in the 2024/2025 school year for the Mountain Bike Club, but the money was never used. He has re-requested. Approved by all.
- 5. Simon Challen has requested \$780 for a cricut machine for the Art Club. Approved by all.

- 6. Tris White has requested \$6,810 for the Photography Club. \$5,000 was approved by all.
- 7. Charlene Lau has requested support for the Counselling Program, of \$300. Approved by all.
- 8. Lana O'Brien has requested \$720 for the Drama Club, approved by all.
- 9. Judy Comrie requested \$1,000 of PAC funding for the ELL program. Approved by all.
- 10. M. Ovington requested for Athletics \$7,000 for Provincials + a Seaton canopy. \$4,000 approved by all.
- 11. Gus Busenius requested \$4,000 for games, activities, certificates, awards, and hardship funds. Approved by all.
- 12. Grad 2026 has requested \$2,500 for grad festivities. Approved by all.

TOTAL APPROVED REQUESTS + FEES: 28,000 (including the \$100 BCCPAC fees). Leaving a balance of almost \$5,000 for the rest of the school year necessities.

Vote to adjourn the meeting. All in favour.

The next PAC meeting is January 19, 2026 at 6:30pm.

Meeting Adjourned: 8:04pm.