



CARIBOO HILL SECONDARY SCHOOL ÉCOLE SECONDAIRE CARIBOO HILL

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PAC Meeting Minutes

October 6th, 2025

7:00 pm – Cariboo Library

1. Welcome and introductions (Special Thank You)
 - a. Ross conducted introductions
2. Approval of agenda
 - a. Approved
3. Approval of May 2025 minutes
 - a. Approved – motion by Ross, seconded by Jeff
4. Principal's report: Chris Sandor
 - a. Introduction of staff including counsellors, vice principals, etc. There are a lot of new teaching staff this year with a lot of teachers returning as they used to teach at Cariboo before
 - b. Enrollment numbers: There are currently 994 students in the school: 918 being primary students and 75 being international students
 - c. Only at Cariboo you will find unique programs: 4 Academies (including volleyball), Technology courses (including DigiPen), and 2 Youth Training and Trades Programs (Carpentry and Automotive). Carpentry is now offered as a semester program, occupying Semester 1 of the school year. Caribo also offers Specialty Programs such as Engineering, French and AP. The AP course was developed in Ontario and Cariboo is one of two schools in Canada who offer this program.
 - d. School goals for 2026 include Literacy & Mental Health Literacy
 - e. September Updates:
 - i. CLC (Career Life Course for grade 11s and 12s) assembly Sept 10th
 - ii. Welcome Back BBQ Sept 12th
 - iii. Grade 12 group photo Sept 16th
 - iv. Core Competencies Information Sept 17th
 - v. Photo Day Sept 18th
 - vi. Meet the Teacher Night Sept 18th
 - vii. Scholarship Presentation Sept 18th
 - viii. Grade 12 Scholarship Presentation Sept 24th
 - ix. Terry Fox Run Sept 25th
 - x. Staff vs Grads Dodgeball game Sept 26th
 - xi. Truth & Reconciliation Day Sept 29th
 - xii. Grade 8 Welcome Event Oct 6th

- f. Photos were shared of the Welcome BBQ, Scholarship Presentation, Terry Fox Run, Dodgeball Event and the Grade 12 Grad Pic.
 - g. Upcoming Events:
 - i. University of Alberta visiting Cariboo Oct 10th. All students, regardless of grade, are encouraged to stop by and ask questions
 - ii. Photo Retakes Oct 14th
 - iii. The Great Shakedown Oct 16th
 - iv. Core Competencies Goal Setting Oct 21st
 - v. Clubs Expo Oct 23rd
 - vi. Interim Reports will be posted Oct 23rd. These are not grades but comments on the student's progress for the year.
 - vii. Provincial Pro D Day Oct 24th
 - viii. Grad Halloween breakfast/Halloween Show Oct 31st
 - ix. Literacy Assessment (grade 12s) Nov 3rd – Nov 7th
 - 1. provincial exams don't exist anymore. Instead, students complete 3 assessments in high school which include Literacy 10, Numeracy 10, and Literacy 12. Students may still do exams as required by their individual courses. The Provincial assessments do not count towards a student's letter grade for the year. The data is collected and used to evaluate how the school offers its courses.
 - h. Bell schedule: the 2025/2026 bell schedule has shifted this year. No longer is there Flex Time each morning. Instead, classes start each day at 8:40 am and Flex Time (now called FITT) is offered on Wednesdays between 9:55 am – 10:55 am.
5. Dry Grad Parent Report: Lisa Young
- a. The Dry Grad meeting was held on September 23rd. The Dry Grad is a party or event that is held for the Grade 12s after their dinner dance, which is being held at the Pinnacle Hotel in Downtown Vancouver. The students will vote for what event they wish to have for Dry Grad, and the Dry Grad council will be bringing it forward to this PAC requesting funding. Dry Grad is typically funded by fundraising. The major fundraisers are the clothing drive, bottle drive, and Purdy's chocolate sales. Parents from all grades are able to volunteer for fundraising events, as well as chaperoning the actual Dry Grad event. The PAC Chair, Ross Brown, has created a What's App chat for parents interested in signing up to volunteer for various Dry Grad events including the Dry Grad event itself, decorating, picking up food, etc. The What's App link can be found here: *insert link*. Alternatively, you can email the Dry Grad Committee at drygrad.cariboo@gmail.com
6. Treasurer's Report: Julia Wang
- a. We just received the gaming grant for \$18,200. The school's wish list will be ready for the next PAC meeting and we will allocate funds at that time
7. Report from Chair: Ross Brown
- a. BCCPAC

- i. Nothing to report
- 8. New Business
 - a. Appointment to DPAC
 - i. Seeking a new DPAC rep – email Ross Brown if you are interested
rosssimonbrown@gmail.com
 - b. Ideas for the PAC, School, and Education for Parents
 - i. Suggestion made to sell school merch for fundraising purposes ie pink shirt day, orange shirt day, etc.
- 9. Good and Welfare (round table for any parent) – *covered under new business*
- 10. Adjourn
 - a. Next meeting is November 3rd
 - b. Meeting adjourned at 8:21 pm