

AGM MINUTES



DPAC

DISTRICT PARENT
ADVISORY COUNCIL
ABBOTSFORD SCHOOL DISTRICT

Date: May 22, 2025

Time: 7:45 PM

Location: Abbotsford School Board Office

Executives in Attendance: Shannon Rose, Chair
Michelle Bastien, Vice Chair
Winsome Rauch, Secretary
Tracey Lamoureux, Treasurer
Kara Dickson, Director
Amy MacKenzie, Director

Voting Members in Attendance:

Abbotsford Middle	Angela Minetti
Abbotsford School of Integrated Arts (ASIA) Sumas Mountain	Eruke Omorogieva (DPAC Rep)
Abbotsford Senior Secondary	Winsome Rauch (DPAC Rep)
Abbotsford Traditional School	Rani Prakesh (DPAC Rep)
Aberdeen Elementary	Michelle Duffels (DPAC Rep)
BlueJay Elementary	Parampreet Kaur Grewal (DPAC Rep)
Bradner Elementary	Elva Lottenbach
Chief Dan George Middle	Becky Williams Spruit (DPAC Rep)
Clayburn Middle	Shannon Rose (DPAC Rep)
Dr. Thomas A. Swift Elementary	Amy MacKenzie (DPAC Rep)
École Centennial Park Elementary	Amanda Degenhardt (DPAC Rep)
Eugene Reimer Middle	Parampreet Kaur Grewal (DPAC Rep)
Harry Sayers Elementary	Jen Shieh
Irene Kelleher Toti:Itawtxw	Amy Wiese (DPAC Rep)
King Traditional Elementary	Gurpinder Kaur (DPAC Rep)
Margaret Stenersen Elementary	Emily Kasper
Mt. Lehman Elementary	Melissa Markle
Prince Charles Elementary	Shannon Rose (DPAC Rep)
Robert Bateman Secondary	Tracey Lamoureux (DPAC Rep)
South Poplar Elementary	Pinkey Bhatti (DPAC Rep)
W.J.Mouat Secondary	Josephine Leonard (DPAC Rep)
William A. Fraser Middle	Eruke Omorogieva (DPAC Rep)
Yale Secondary	Michelle Bastien (DPAC Rep)

Non-Voting Members in Attendance: Aman Brar (South Pop), Stacey Parson (Abby Sr), Rehan Siddiqui (Abby Sr), Jocelyn Radom (Bradner)

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1 Call to Order

Chair Shannon Rose called the meeting to order at 8:07 PM. A quorum was met with 23 voting members.

2 Welcome & Introductions

Acknowledgement of Local Indigenous Community

3 Acceptance of Minutes from the Annual General Meeting of May 23, 2024

Chair Shannon Rose noted that the minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on May 23, 2024, were reviewed and approved at the September 2024 meeting to ensure timely approval.

4 Annual Reports

Chair Shannon Rose and Secretary Winsome Rauch presented their annual reports.

5 2024/25 Elections of the Abbotsford District Parent Advisory Council

Chair Shannon Rose opened the elections and oversaw the voting.

5.1 Motion to vote by secret ballot

It was MOVED by Gurbinder Kaur (King) and SECONDED by Rani Prakash (ATS) THAT a secret ballot be conducted for the purposes of electing executives. CARRIED

5.2 Scrutineers for secret ballot

Vice Chair Michelle Bastien called for two non-candidate volunteers to act as scrutineers for the secret ballot. Rani Prakash (ATS) and Emily Kasper (Margaret Stenersen) volunteered and were appointed as scrutineers.

Before the secret ballot, Eruke Omorogieva (ASIA Sumas and Fraser) left the meeting, reducing attendance to 21 members. Quorum was maintained, and the ballot proceeded.

5.3 Elections for Chair

Chair Shannon Rose opened the election by reading the executive eligibility criteria from the bylaws. She then proceeded with the written nominations, while some members called out nominations from the floor and were ruled out of order.

Nomination: Michelle Bastien

Nominated by Vice-Chair Michelle Bastien, Seconded by Chair Shannon Rose

Michelle Bastien accepted her nomination.

Nomination: Winsome Rauch

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Nominated by Gurpinder Kaur (King),

Chair Shannon Rose noted that, under Bylaw Section IV(3), Winsome Rauch was ineligible for an executive position as she was not the designated DPAC representative for her school at the time.

Chair Shannon Rose was informed by Secretary Winsome Rauch that the Abbotsford Senior Secondary PAC had held an online pre-meeting in which the previous DPAC representative resigned, and the remaining executive appointed Ms. Rauch as the new DPAC representative. Chair Rose noted this may not comply with Division 2, Subsection 8(6) of the School Act, which requires DPAC representatives to be elected by secret ballot and open to all PAC members.

Some members expressed support for Ms. Rauch's nomination and did not view the identifying issues as disqualifying. After consulting with Vice Chair Michelle Bastien, Chair Rose allowed the nomination to proceed, noting that the accountability of compliance and filling a vacancy rest with the school's PAC.

Seconded by Michelle Duffels (Aberdeen)

Winsome Rauch accepted her nomination.

After three calls with no further nominations, the nominations were closed.

The secret ballot was conducted, and Winsome Rauch was elected as Chair for the 2025/26 school year by majority vote.

5.4 Vice Chair

Before the call for nominations for Vice Chair were announced, two additional members left the meeting reducing attendance to 19 members. Quorum was maintained, and the nominations proceeded.

Nomination: Amy MacKenzie and Kara Dickson to share the role

Nominated by Secretary Winsome Rauch, Seconded by Pinkey Bhatti (South Pop)

Amy MacKenzie and Kara Dickson accepted their joint nomination. After three calls with no further nominations, the nominations were closed, and Amy MacKenzie and Kara Dickson were declared Co-Vice Chairs for the 2025/26 school year by acclamation.

5.5 Secretary

After three calls with no nominations, the nominations were closed, and the position was declared vacant.

5.6 Treasurer

Nomination: Michelle Bastien

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Nominated by Michelle Bastien (Yale), Seconded by Shannon Rose (Prince Charles)

Michelle Bastien accepted her nomination. After two additional calls with no further nominations, the nominations were closed, and Michelle Bastien was declared Treasurer for the 2025/26 school year by acclamation.

5.7 Special Education Representative

Prior to calling for nominations for the remaining positions, Chair Shannon Rose stated there is no language in the bylaws around eligibility for internal committee representatives, therefore every parent and/or legal guardian of a student registered in the Abbotsford School District is eligible to run for the remaining positions.

After three calls for Special Education Representative with no nominations, the nominations were closed, and the position was declared vacant.

Stacey Parson expressed interest in joining the committee.

5.8 Inclusion Representative

After three calls with no nominations, the nominations were closed, and the position was declared vacant.

5.9 Indigenous Representative

After three calls with no nominations, the nominations were closed, and the position was declared vacant.

5.10 Director Positions

Nomination: Stacey Parson

Nominated by Stacey Parson (Abby Sr), Seconded by Michelle Bastien (Vice Chair)

Nomination: Pinkey Bhatti

Nominated by Pinkey Bhatti (South Pop), Seconded by Amanda Degenhardt (Centennial)

After one additional call with no further nominations, the nominations were closed and Stacey Parson and Pinkey Bhatti were declared Directors for the 2025/26 school year by acclamation.

6 Signing Officers for DPAC Gaming Account and General Account

The signing officers for the DPAC Gaming Account and General Account will be updated as follows:

- Shannon Rose and Tracey Lamoureux will be removed as signing officers.
- Winsome Rauch (Chair), Kara Dickson (Vice Chair), and Amy MacKenzie (Vice Chair) will be added as signing officers.

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- Michelle Bastien (Treasurer) remains as a signing officer.

7 Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 9:10 PM

8 Next AGM

May 28, 2026 at the School Board Office