The Central Okanagan Parent Advisory Council

General Meeting Minutes
Date: June 1, 2026 at 7:00pm
Location: Zoom

The Central Okanagan Parent Advisory Council acknowledges that this meeting is being held on the unceded, Traditional Territory of the Okanagan People

Attendance

COPAC Executive

Name	Role	Present	Name	Role	Present
Nicola Baker	President	Present	Roslyn Hazen	Incoming Treasurer	Present
Leslie Atwell	Vice President, Incoming President	Present	Deannie Zahara	Member at Large	Regrets
Jeannette Watson	Treasurer	Present	Kristina Grant	Incoming Member at Large	Present
Nathan Hind	Member at Large, Incoming Secretary	Present	Lisa Schechtel	Incoming Member at Large	Present

Voting Members

Name	Member PAC(s)	Name	Member PAC(s)
Brytann Y.	GRE	Maria B.	NGE
Camila B.	KSS	Monica B.	DWE
Claire L.	CTE (Incoming)	Nicola B.	CLE, CMS
Diana M.	RMS	Rae C.	BCE
Jeannette W.	OKM	Roslyn H.	GESS
Jenny L.	BME	Shannon T.	CTE
Kristina G.	AME	Timothy L.	PGE
Leslie A.	WRE	Tristian G.	HMS
Lisa S.	RLE		

Partners

Organization	Representative
SD23	Jon Rever, Superintendent of Schools/CEO
SD23 Board of Education	Amy Geistlinger, Trustee
COTA	Susan Bauhart, President
CUPE	Regrets
DSC	Regrets

1. Call to Order & Land Acknowledgement

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM. Nicola Baker acknowledged that the meeting was held on the traditional, ancestral, and unceded territory of the Syilx people.

2. Guest Speakers

None.

3. Establish Quorum

Quorum was established with at least 10 voting members present.

4. Agenda Amendment/Approval

Motion: To accept the June 1, 2026, COPAC General Meeting Agenda as circulated.
Moved by: Shannon Tartaglia
Seconded by: Leslie Atwell
Carried.

5. Minutes Amendment/Approval

Motion: To accept the May 4, 2026, COPAC Annual General Meeting (AGM) minutes as circulated.
Moved by: Roslyn Hazen
Seconded by: Jeannette Watson
Carried.

6. SD23 Reports

Trustee Update

Amy Geistlinger reported on recent Board of Education actions, including a vote on trustee indemnity and a letter to the Minister of Education requesting increased funding. She noted a comprehensive transportation review is underway and cautioned that high school schedule changes were embedded within that survey, which may have caused confusion for parents.

Superintendent Updates

Jon Rever provided updates on the end-of-year activities and graduation celebrations. He addressed the transportation survey, noting over 1,100 responses were received. Preliminary findings will be presented at the next board meeting. He also noted that the 98-page School Community Learning report is available for review.

Partner Updates

Susan Bauhart (COTA) expressed gratitude for the collaborative relationship with COPAC and acknowledged the hard work of teachers and staff as the school year concludes.
Nicola relayed that PACs have file storage available from SD23 via their PAC President accounts that can be useful for Bylaws or other important files.
Microsoft Teams access was discussed, and it's expected that Troy White (SD23 District Principal, Learning Technology Services) will discuss with Leslie the creation of Teams channels PACs can use.

7. PAC 360

- Camila Biffard celebrated the "Sing Out Kelowna" mass choir performance.
- Shannon Tartaglia highlighted the success of the "Expo of Awesome" at UBCO.
- Nicola Baker noted the success of the SumoBot competition.
- Discussion occurred regarding the need for better Wi-Fi access for PACs in schools; Jon Rever indicated this is a solvable issue and will be discussed with IT.

8. COPAC 360

- **Treasurer's Report:** Jeannette Watson presented the financial report for May 31, 2026.
  Motion: To accept the May 2026 Treasurer's Report as presented.
  Moved by: Camila Biffard
  Seconded by: Roslyn Hazen
  Carried.
- **Budget:**
  Motion: To adopt the 2026-27 COPAC budget as presented at the May 2026 AGM.
  Moved by: Roslyn Hazen
  Seconded by: Shannon Tartaglia
  Carried.
- **Events:** Feedback was requested on the Hannah Beach presentation. The executive will look into booking speakers for the 2026-27 year.
- **Social:** A year-end social is scheduled for Monday, June 8, at 6:30 PM at the Train Station Pub.

9. New Business

- **BCCPAC:** Nicola Baker discussed her transition to the BCCPAC board and requested input on how BCCPAC can better support DPACs and PACs.
- **E-Scooter/E-Bike Safety:** Discussion regarding the legal requirements for e-scooters and e-bikes. Parents are encouraged to educate themselves on local bylaws, as enforcement is increasing.

10. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 8:37 PM.

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