Present: Erica Wall, Diana Madden, Jill Azanza, Carly Howes, Ravina Gill, Melissa Crump, Megan Howarth, Christine Toews, Elyse Schroeder, Danica Neufeld, Jessica Robins, Jocelyn Radom, Grace Janzen, Krystal Wnuk

Motion to approve September minutes: M/S – Erica/Jill - carried

Principal's Report

Land Acknowledgement

School Activities

Oct.1-Nov.10 Grade 4s will be writing FSA in this time frame

Oct.3 Bulldog Assembly @2:15

Oct.5 World teacher's day

Oct.7 Picture Day (Class and school panoramic weather permitting)

Oct.8 Popcorn day & Cross Country 3:45-4:30

Oct.9 Fire Drill 2 of 6

Oct.10 Turkey Trot

Oct.13 Happy Thanksgiving (No school)

Oct.15 Soccer 3:45-4:30

Oct.16 Earthquake shakeout drill @ 10:15

Oct.17 Subway

Oct.20 Diwali Celebration & Afterschool Craft Club begins

Oct.21 Lockdown 1 of 2

Oct.22 Parent/Teacher Evening Interviews (Early Dismissal)

Oct.23 Parent/Teacher Interviews (Early Dismissal)

Oct.24 Non-Instructional Day

PAC Hallowe'en Party @ Bradner Hall

Oct.29 Soccer 3:45-4:30

Oct.30 Bulldog Awards @2:30

Oct.31 Hallowe'en dress up day & Treat Day

Office Updates

- New staff- Tobias Julien in for Anita Zabotel (ISW) until further notice, Nikhil Nikhil EA
- Intramurals- please ensure supervision of your children from 3:03-3:45 (Mrs. Baker needs time to wrap up her day and Mrs. Sidhu is on bus duty and needs time to wrap up as it is her teaching day). Students and siblings must be with a supervising adult at all times
- Enrollment- We are now at 100 students this school year
- Demographic forms- please complete these as soon as possible and return
- Code of conduct- please review with your child
- Noon Hour Supervision- if you are interested, please let the office know
- **Volunteer forms** reminder to all parents to complete the form. These are annual forms that must be completed if you would like to volunteer. A reminder that a criminal record check is also required for all volunteers.
- New playground- repaired by facilities
- School Plan: Looking for a parent reps
- Terry Fox- We raised over \$811.01 for the Terry Fox Run this year! Thank you

District/Community Updates

- -Dental Info being sent to families
- -fire safety prevention week is next week- there is a huge focus on lithium batteries, & open house at firehall

PAC Proposals/Special requests

n/a

Gratitude: Thank you for the treats for Terry Fox & cupcakes for students celebrating birthdays!

Treasurer's Report

Bank Balances: Chequing \$21,971 Gaming \$5,690 (expected gaming grant \$2,000)

September 2025 Expenses:
Teacher Funds \$3,000
Reading Prizes \$293 (Budget \$300)
Terry Fox/Emergency Kits \$153 (Budget \$100)
Welcome Back BBQ \$277 (Budget \$250)
Misc 1st Day Coffee \$44

September 2025 Fundraisers: Coupon Book Sales \$495, Cost \$247, Profit \$247 Ladies Flower Social \$625, Cost \$7, Profit \$618

DPAC Report

About 20,000 students in ASD, focus on quality recruitment for staff, 750 backpacks w supplies distributed. Tech being replaced over a rollout. 230 daycare spots added, 8 room expansion to Abby Sr. over 9 months.

Facilities did lots of cleaning over the summer. Transportation – 10% of student base access buses, 42 routes. Some questions around bus funding and choice schools, some students do not need to pay. Lots of discussion about devices (middle school and high) and issues that arise. Chromebooks being phased out. School board looking into mass discount from a single supplier.

90% literacy & numeracy. Trends that grades 4-7 need work, grade 10s stable. Around 10% of students do not graduate. Declining trend in numeracy in the last 5 years, but improving over the last 3 years.

Schools working to achieve a welcome and safe environment, with a sense of belonging. Huge emphasis on adult participation in caring about the students.

Child Youth & Mental Health – contract expired, so now liaisons are in place. There are 4 clinicians for the district.

Supportive Housing – proposed location near Abby Traditional School.

Execs met 3 times over summer, lots of networking with PACs & DPACs over the summer. Thank you to PACs that sent in voting.

PAC insight – shared learning and parent night series – survey coming regarding presentation topics.

DPAC – Facebook groups, one for networking/asking questions, one for information – news only.

Inflatables at school planned events – double check that insurance is enough, additional insurance needed from school.

Square Payments – funds need to go to one person and has tax implications. (*Bradner has registered as a non-profit organization on Square, Bradner PAC account information is attached to the square account.)

School Board By-Election - Voting for a new school trustee. Abbotsford School District By-election | City of Abbotsford

Advance Voting:

Wednesday, October 1, 2025, and Saturday, October 4, 2025 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. at Legacy Sports Centre (Abbotsford Exhibition Park, 3270 Trethewey Street)

General Voting Day:

Saturday, October 11, 2025, from 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. at the following locations:

- Eugene Reimer Middle School (3433 Firhill Drive)
- Yale Secondary School (34620 Old Yale Road)
- Aberdeen Elementary School (2975 Bradner Road)
- Semá:th Elementary School (36321 Vye Road)

Next DPAC meeting October 3, 2025.

Voting & New Business

- Bottle Drive Fundraiser
 - Christine will plan and make flyer submit date(s) to Ms. Sidhu, after long wknd is ideal
- 2. Coffee Fundraiser
 - Jocelyn will plan for December, online ordering

Other Business

- Ladies Flower Night Recap
 - Great weather and a very fun night! Huge thank you to Melissa, Vanessa, Roelien and Jenna.
- 2. Coupon Book Recap
 - Lots of schools sell this book, but we still made a profit. Suggestion to do it exclusively as a grad event fundraiser. Make available online school cash or Munch and advertise on social media.
- 3. Hot Lunch & Munch-a-Lunch Update
 - Thank you to Ravina for setting up Munch-a-Lunch! Mostly easy to use. Will put Halloween dance tickets on Munch as well.
 - Subway slightly complicated, but process will be smoother as we use the system.

- 4. Halloween Dance Oct 24
 - Some bumps surrounding location, party will take place at Bradner Hall, not school gym.
 - Party ends at 10, people **must** leave or help with clean up.
 - Need parent volunteer to supervise children @ school playground or? during set up
 - Decorating on Wednesday and Thursday
 - Due to location change, tickets, pizza and dessert will all remain the same as last year
 - DJ price went up slightly
 - Ticket taker/ sales night of Melissa Crump
 - Info going out Monday, October 6, 2025
- 5. Spirit Wear/Grad Wear Update Melissa
 - 2 week turn around, orders in by end of Oct
 - Looked into branded croc jibbits, will keep looking. Could connect with Rick Hansen design school/class.
 - Toques & hats \$15 each, min order 8 of each, any colour. Sports day tie in for t-shirts house colours: Red, Yellow, Black, White or Light Grey
 - Other ideas: vinyl sticker.
 - Kindergarten t-shirts need to be replaced (15)
 - T-shirts, hats/toques, hoodie, sweats with pockets, shorts
 - Grad sweaters ASAP; Melissa will get designs to Kam for students to decide
 - Melissa will select colour options will make up notice for approval/feedback
- 6. Turkey Trot
 - Vanessa Hunt has sent out notice for donations and will organize on the day
- 7. Neufeld Farms Fundraiser
 - Order window: Oct 17 Nov 5; Order pick up Nov 14 @ 2:30
 - Online ordering, Christine will organize/send out information
- 8. Clubs Update
 - Craft club notice to go home Monday, October 6, 2025
 - Jocelyn will talk to Kam about music club

Round Table

- 1. Santa Pancake Breakfast/Christmas
 - Danica has spoken to our Santa man already
 - Potential Date: Dec 5
 - Christmas concert likely December 17 or 18; last day of school Dec 19
- 2. Remembrance Day
 - Assembly Nov 7; Jocelyn willing to teach each class a song
 - Tea/coffee & cookies after assembly, in the gym

Next Meetings: November 3 @ 1:15; December 12 or 15, time TBD