Seycove PAC Meeting Minutes

Date: Nov 14, 2023 Time Start: 7:00 pm Location: Library

Members in attendance: Cheri Townsend (Co-Chair), Lisa Stewart (Co-Chair), Carla Cove (Treasurer), Julia Wagner (DPAC Rep), Jen Eyton (Secretary), Sarah Best (Principal), Wendy Kennedy (Member at Large)

Regrets:

Agenda Item	Speaker	Discussion	Action Items
Acknowledgement & Announcements	Sarah		
Introductions	Lisa		Motion:
Approval of Agenda	Lisa and Cheri		
Approval of minutes:	Lisa and Kara		Motion:
Treasurer's Report	Carla Cove	RBC grant of \$2,000 issued to 2023 Seycove FOS Auction has been set up as Receivable. Funds are with the District and will be paid to Seycove PAC. Carla will contact the District to request a cheque. Proposed budget highlights: \$15,000 fundraising revenue (2024 Auction), \$10,000 annual scholarships, \$30,000 general spending (teacher wish lists and library upgrade). General spending budget of \$30,000 was approved at the Nov 14 2023 PAC meeting. BlueShore Financial requires a Letter of Direction signed in ink, so I will bring a copy to tonight's meeting for Jen to sign, then we will finally be set up with our new signatories at BlueShore.	

We need to review the constitution – maybe a committee needs to be formed?

\$10,000 auction proceeds that are specifically for scholarships need to be designated as such. Change the wording on the budget to something like "Scholarships – Auction Proceeds" to make it clear. If PAC were to decide to offer additional scholarships, it would be a separate line item on the budget.

Wish List from teachers was already discussed by the PAC. Upon approval of the budget, decisions can be finalized and the spending communicated to teachers and parents.

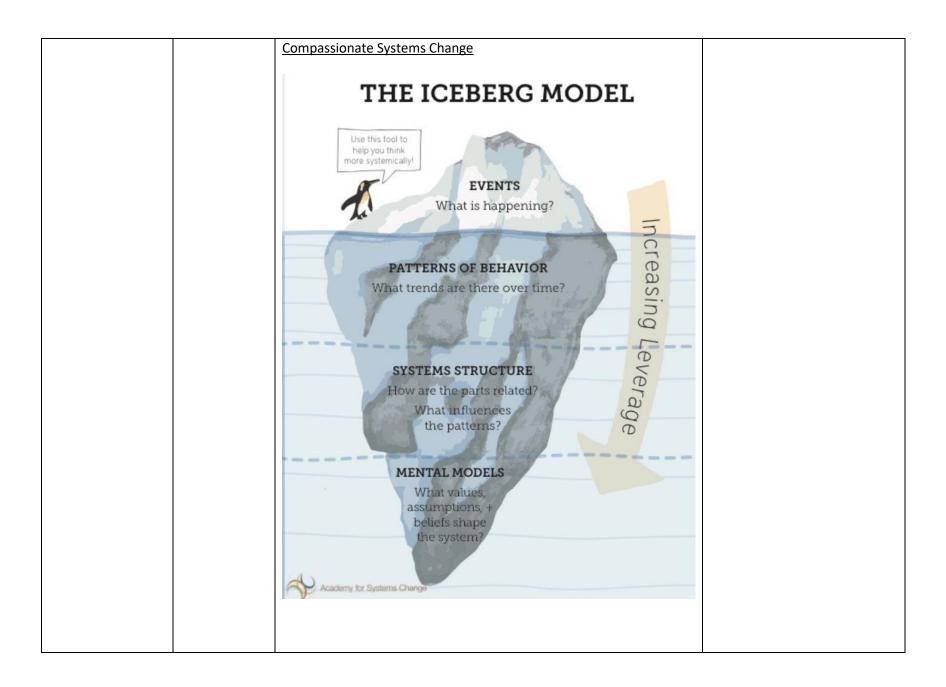
Dry Grad account – PAC would like to contribute the funds to a dry grad event, perhaps the upcoming boat cruise or a spring event. Then close the account, which has not had activity in years, except for \$3 monthly bank fees. Carla is checking with Lindsay to find out if there is a reason that the account cannot be closed. Lisa motioned to close the account and use the funds for an upcoming grad event, upon Lindsay's response.

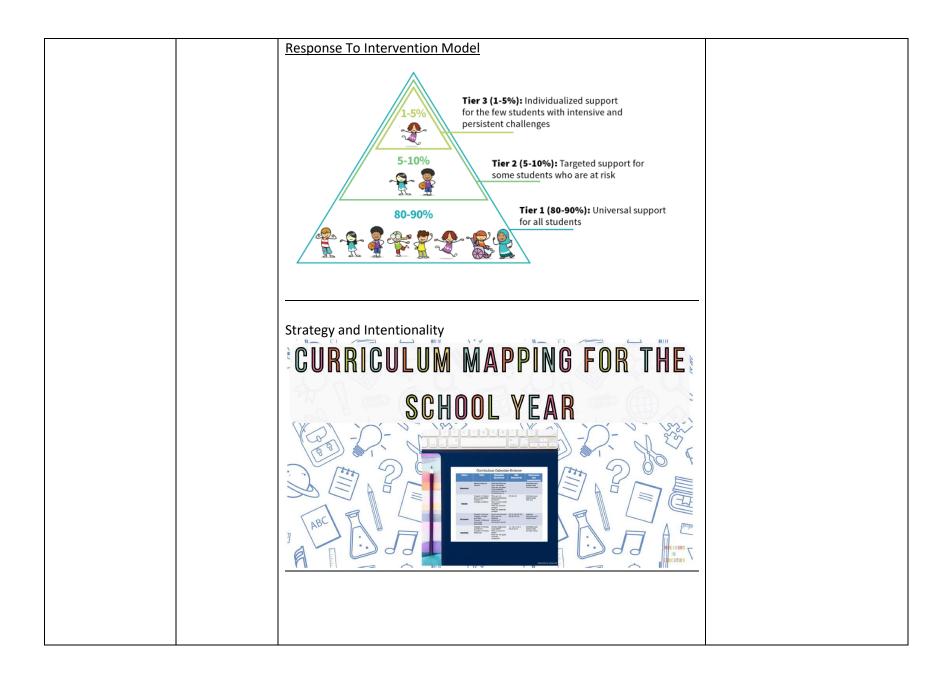
Discussion about the history of scholarship funds. Apparently, there were issues with transparency of funds from the auction designated for scholarships. This has already been researched, and there is no point in rehashing what happened in the past. We will ensure that moving forward, it is clear that the annual \$10k in auction scholarship money is from the auction.

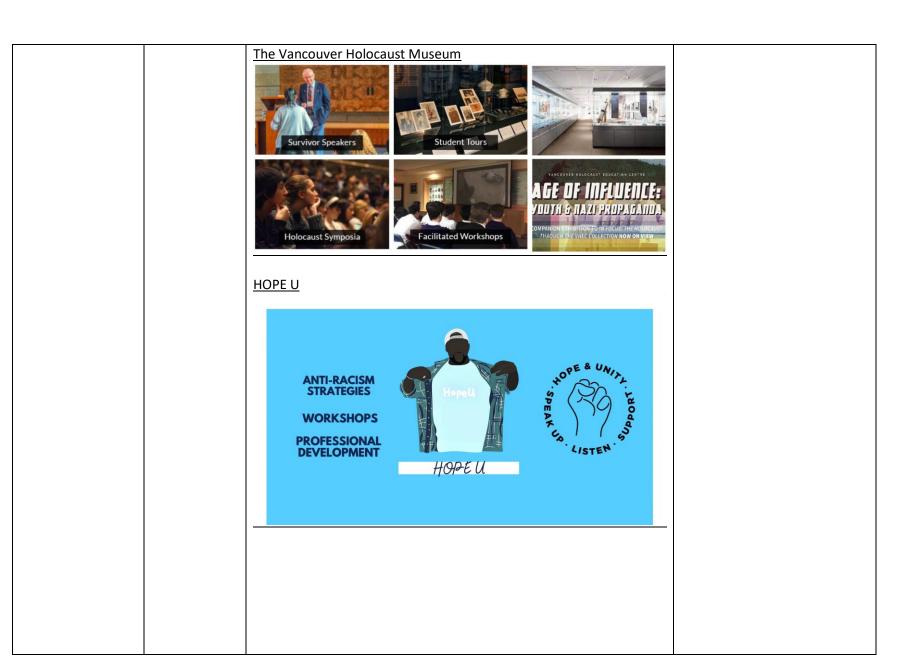
Carla wants to ensure that there is a trusting environment with regards to the Treasurer position.

Principal's report	Sarah Best	<u>Upcoming Dates</u>	
		Community Clean-Up (Nov. 16)	
		Deep Cove Winter Market (Nov. 18)	
		Formal Written Update of Learning (mid-term) (Nov. 20)	
		Grad Spirit Week (Nov. 20)	
		Parent Info Night on Reporting Order (Nov. 21)	
		Grad Friendship Photos (Nov. 24)	
		• School-Based Pro-D (Nov. 27)	
		District Pro-D Day (Dec. 4)	
		• Flip the Script and Safe Dates (Dec. 5-6)	
		Grad Boat Cruise (Dec. 6)	
		• Grad Photos (Dec. 10-11)	
		Grad Update	
		Winter Semi-Formal/Boat Cruise (December 6)	
		Tickets on School Cash Online	
		SFAF support available	
		Grad Photos (Group @ Seycove) (November 24)	
		Sign-Up NOW or will be cancelled	
		https://artona.com/schools/SEYC/programs/graduation_group	
		Grad Photos (Individual @ Artona) (December 10-11)	
		https://artona.com/schools/book	
		Grad Ceremony (June 18)	
		• Grad Banquet (June 25)	
		Curriculum Implementation Day (Dec. 4)	
		Ray Natraro- Land Acknowledgement	
		David Chalk- Technology	
		Nikki Sanchez- Land & Environment	
		Tannia Fiero (Olympian & Coach) - Self and Others	
		Using a "compassionate systems" framework for building a	
		cognitive and affective foundation for global citizenship:	
		From the devastating effects of climate change to	

increasing cross- boundary migration flows and	
displacement to epidemics of substance abuse,	
social and political divisions and civic	
disintegration, the challenges that we currently	
face are parts of interconnected, interdependent,	
global systems. As we seek solutions to these	
worldwide issues, we must also find ways to help	
young people to cope with their complexity. This	
involves teaching them how to reflect on, deeply	
understand, and respond mindfully and	
compassionately to systemic challenges in their	
own lives and beyond, their connections to one	
another and their impact on us as individuals and	
on our communities.	
-Peter Senge	



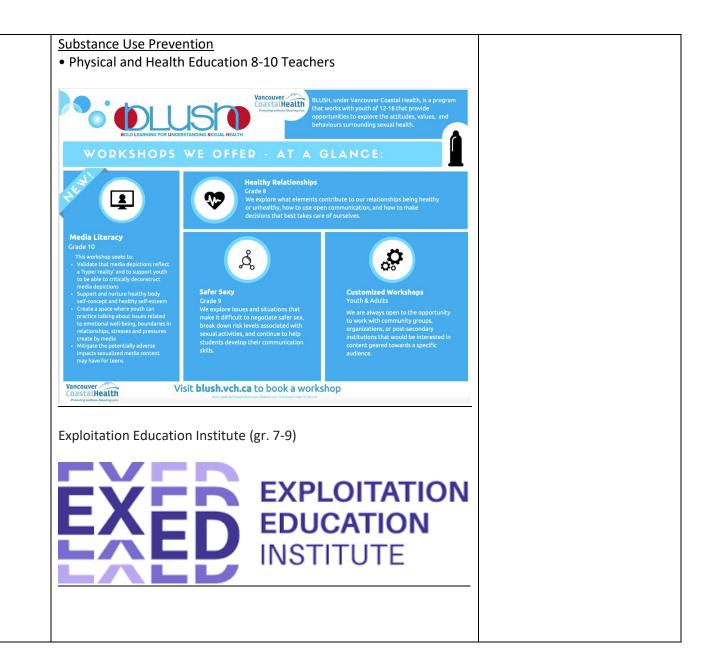




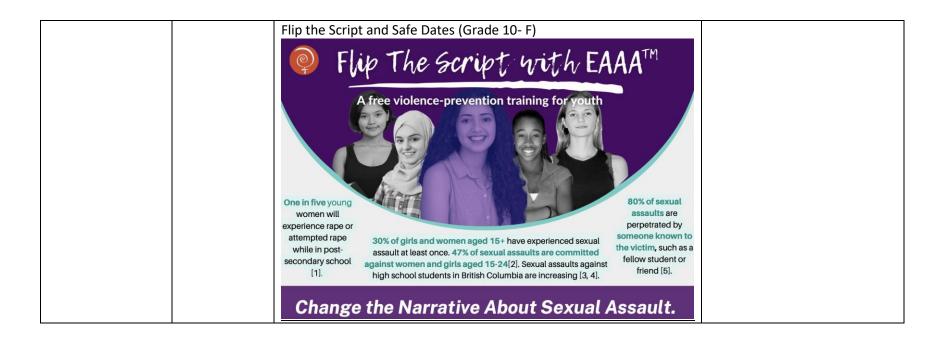
RCMP Liaison Presentations

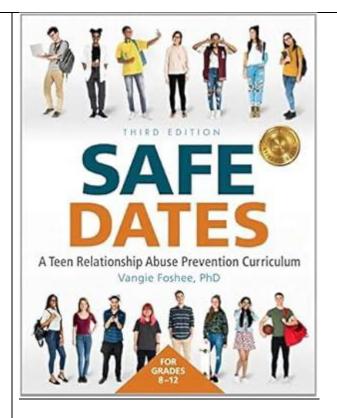
- Cpl Paulo Arreaga
- Cst Daniel An
- Cst Madelyn Bams
- Cst John Yamashita





Safeteen (grade 9) - Level 1 safeteen hold your power. speak your truth. come from love. Transforming the youth culture of emotional survival and fear, into a culture of empowerment and safety in all schools and communities across the globe.





Safe Teen (Grade 10- M)

MALE-IDENTIFIED - LEVEL 2

The Power of Choice

Building on the skills and content of Level 1, this workshop has a specific focus on healthy sexual boundaries.

- · Identifying, building and respecting boundaries
- · Healthy intimate relationships
- · Breaking abusive patterns
- · Identifying rape culture and victim blaming
- · Online safety
- · Impact of Pornography
- · Realities and legalities of sexting and online harassment
- · Internal and external self-harm

YDI and MDI Surveys

• Middle Years

Development

Instrument

(grade 8)

Youth

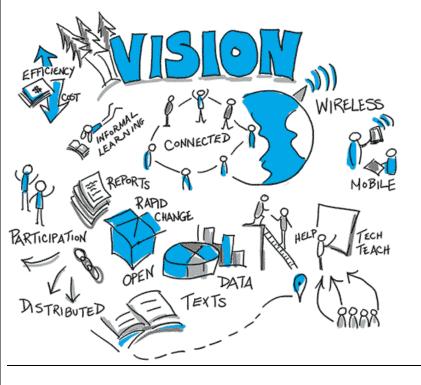
Development

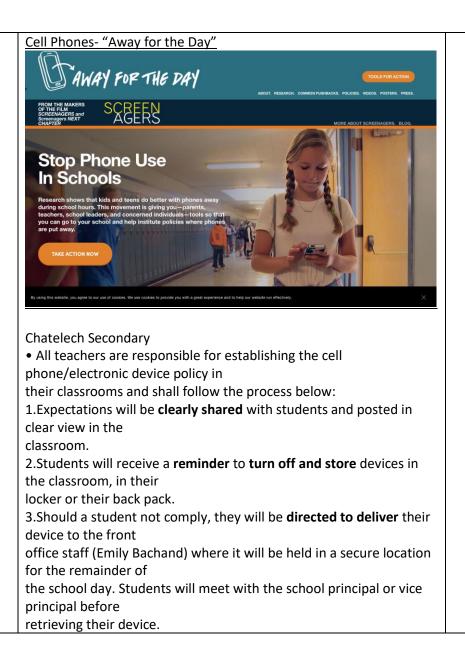
Instrument

(grade 11)

School Tech-Plan for Teaching and Learning

- Bring your own device model
- Easy access to technology for classrooms
- Laptops
- I-pads
- "Tech tubs"
- myBlueprint
- Open Parachute
- Inclusive Ed





4. The school principal or vice principal will contact parents/caregivers when a student is struggling to follow the cell phone/electronic device policy 5.In the event a student is consistently struggling to follow the school wide cell phone/electronic device policy, parents/caregivers will be contacted to arrange a pickup for that student and/or device, AND the device will remain home until further notice. Seycove Secondary 1. Phones switched to off/silent. 2. Phones in lockers, backpacks or pocket organizers, or otherwise invited to be used by the teacher. 3. Teachers will give reminder at the start of each class. 4. Students who need multiple reminders will be referred to administration for a discussion and parent communication. 5. Multiple or ongoing office referrals- students must speak with administration, hand in their phone to be locked in a secure location-pick up their phone form the office at lunch or after school. **Topics of Ongoing Discussion** • Grade 8s vs grade 12, Semester 2? • Screen "Smart" vs Screen "Free" • Teaching self-regulation and acceptable/safe use • Tech and Nature-finding a balance • Mindfulness, grounding onself • Family support

Parent Resources

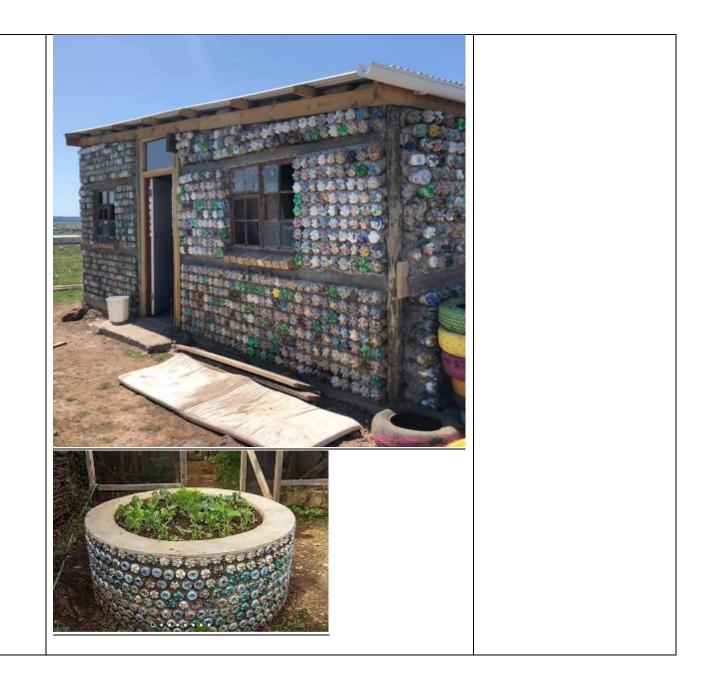
- Parental Controls on iphone
- https://support.apple.com/en-us/HT201304
- Screen Time and Children
- https://www.mayoclinic.org/healthy-lifestyle/childrens-health/indepth/screen-time/art-20047952
- Common Sense Education
- https://www.commonsense.org/education/toolkit/family-engagement-resources
- Screen Strong.Org
- https://screenstrong.org/about
- Better Screen Time.Com
- https://www.betterscreentime.com
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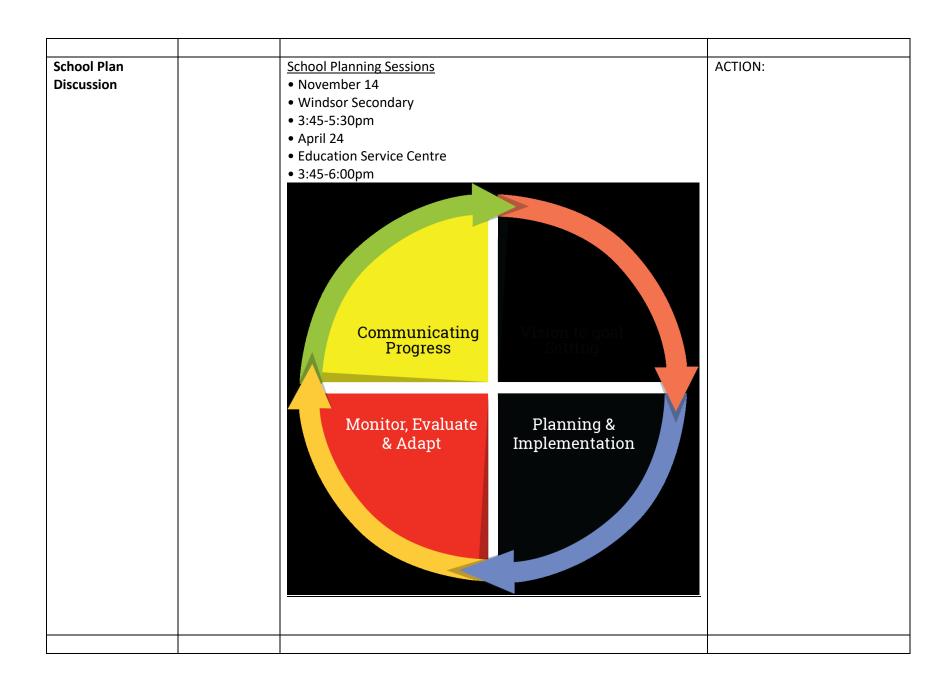
School and SEYSA (Green Club) Initiatives

(the land, environment, and reconciliation)

- BC Fruit and Vegetable Program
- Monthly Community Clean-ups
- November
- Fireworks and soft plastics to create eco-bricks
- Facilitate a District wide eco-brick challenge
- Permaculture- Seycove Garden of Native Plants
- Watering systems, pollinator bees, etc
- Clothing Swap
- Grade 9 Ocean Micro-fibres project
- Other: Weh-ah-Wichen invasive species, Turtle Island, school entrance







DPAC Report	Julia Wagner	DPAC UPDATES NOVEMBER 2023	
		NVPAC -NVAPC Newsletter: NVPAC Updates November 2023 (mailchi.mp)	
		-NVPAC Meet & Greet Oct/23: representatives from all NVSD key programs introduced themselves and their roles, includingSuperintendent Pius RyanAssistant Superintendents Chris Atkinson & Arlene MartinDirectors of Learning ServicesInclusive Education, Artists For Kids, Cheakamus and Outdoor Learning, IT, Safe and Healthy Schools (SEL and mental health), Healthy Futures (food program and physical literacy and substance abuse prevention)	
		Also time for conversation among Family of Schools PAC reps (can circulate list of suggested discussion topics), however Seycove was only school attending from our FoS. Some other FoS PAC execs have regular meetings: would this be beneficial for Seycove FoS PACS to consider?	
		-NVPAC committees for 2023-24, meeting dates and links for more information and registration in NVPAC Newsletter. Should we have a representative from Seycove join each of these committees?	
		Anti-Racism Advisory Committee Registration *looking for members The NVPAC Anti-Racism Advisory Committee (ARAC) would like to invite you to our 2nd meeting of the year. Racism in our schools is an ongoing concern and it is important for us to work together to help create mindful school communities where everyone feels safe and welcome.	

	We strongly encourage that you, or another member of your PAC, attend our upcoming meeting via ZOOM on November 16, 2023 at 7pm. Our committee would like to hear from your PAC about what your school is doing to promote anti-racism awareness and how they are creating an inclusive culture. We hope that we can share ideas and work together to ensure our school communities are more aware, inclusive and working towards creating a place of belonging for all students. We encourage both BIPOC and non-BIPOC caregivers to attend so that we may all share and learn from one another. Julia mentioned that there are various committees that Seycove parents could join to represent the school, and asked if anyone at the meeting was interested / willing to volunteer. Carla will attend.	
New Business	Math New Business was postponed / TBD.	ACTION:
	TruEarth fundraiser has earned \$160 so far. They currently have a holiday sale. The graphics and link are to be sent to Sarah to include	
	in the Seycove newsletter.	
	Fundscrip – info for this was recently posted to the FB group.	
	Cheri asked if anyone would volunteer to head up a fundraising committee, but there were no volunteers.	
	Social media – Lisa to get in touch with Tiffany, who may have the Instagram login information.	
	Auction – slated for March 9 th . Save the Date info to be sent out, and shared with the elementary schools.	

Tansy is starting junior rugby, and she asked if she could use the FB group to post info to. She was told she could. Patricia Houlihan had a handout regarding a potential motivational speaker opportunity, but she had left the meeting before it came up, so it was mentioned but no further action taken. PAC's ability to send emails – parents who signed up for PAC communications went through the website. This, in turn, is linked to the PAC MailChimp. However, no one so far has used it this year to send out communications directly to the parents who have signed up. Julia asked if we could put out a request for volunteers to the general parent community. PAC Newsletters – they have not been done for a while. It was suggested to see if Rachel would start doing them. Market volunteers are needed. There are lots of student volunteers. but they still need parents. Sarah to send out the Signup.com link to parents. **Adjourned** Approx: 8:55pm Next PAC Meeting: Dec 12, 2023 at 7pm Library

Attendees:

Sarah Best

Lisa Stewart

Cheri Townsend

Julia Wagner

Carla Cove

Wendy Kennedy

Maria Wentzel

Jen Russell

Jen O'Carrall

Kara Guedes

Tansy Sverre

Jeanette Schisler

Kim Tattrie

Patricia Houlihan

Ailidh Carpendale