



VEDDER MIDDLE SCHOOL

PAC Minutes

February 18, 2026 Called to order by, Allyson at 7:09pm

In Attendance

Allyson (Chair), Hayley (Secretary), Kristina (Treasurer), Kendy (DPAC), Sharon Bernard (Principal), Lisa Ego (Vice Principal), David Swankey (School Trustee), Julie

Approval of Agenda and Minutes

- Land Acknowledgement and Introductions
- Julie motions the adoption of the Agenda. Second by Kristina.
- Kendy motions the adoption of the January Meeting Minutes. Second by Kristina.

Treasurer's Report

- Gaming account balance on February 17, 2026 was \$21,284.83
- General account balance on February 17, 2026 was \$30,372.88

Principal's Report

For Black History Month this month we have had two fantastic assemblies. On February 4, we had an exciting assembly by Inspiration Republic that addressed racism and microaggressions in a very positive engaging way. They also highlighted Black Canadian History and some lesser-known historical Canadian Black individuals. We heard positive things from both staff and students.

February 18th, we had an amazing bilingual music concert put on by Missy D. a world renowned Black French-Canadian artist who has won Manie Musical. Staff and students were very engaged.

Last week our staff took part in a district staff meeting looking at accessibility, through the lens of students and staff who shared their personal stories. Vedder has five students who join Miss Ego in representing our school at a student voice group where this year's theme was accessibility and students have been doing a lot of learning about all accessibility challenges and being an advocate to bring awareness to the cause.

Last week was filled with a number of spirit-related activities including candy grams, a soc hop, and a variety of dress-up days.

Grade 8 students also had their course selection presentation and class tours from Sardis secondary this month. Course selection forms have already been submitted to Sardis. Students attending other district secondary schools were also provided with their school correct school course selection form, moving forward staff will work with Sardis staff to ensure smooth transition.

Grade seven and eight students have wrapped up their basketball season and we are currently in the middle of our grade six season which will wrap up at spring break.

Our drama club has been working very hard to put together their rendition of happily never after which will be performed February 24 and 25 doors open at 6 p.m.

Last week our grade 8 late French Immersion students had the exciting opportunity to spend a week in Quebec learning about culture. And practicing their writing. And practicing their French in real time. It was a very successful trip and students not only experienced French culture, but also Quebec cold.

Miss Ego has been diligently supporting our grade sevens as they work through the Ministry of Education and Child Care's student learning survey. The ministry has also asked that parents of grade 7 students also complete this survey. There is no code needed. Information was email directly to grade 7 guardians.

DPAC Report

Shane Tromp, Sales and Guest Experience Coordinator from the Chilliwack Chiefs gave a powerpoint presentation: The Chilliwack Chiefs Adopt-a-School Program gives local businesses the chance to give back to the community by purchasing Chiefs tickets and donating them to schools and youth programs. The tickets are then given to reward students and youth who excel in academics, athletics, and extracurricular activities. Is this something Vedder Middle is interested in?

Family Smart

February 19 at 6:30pm online: A Conversation About Eating Disorders

Check out their Instagram or website www.familysmart.ca for a list of upcoming events

Chilliwack School District Public Consultation: draft plan to balance enrolment and discuss proposals

For the South side: February 25 at 7:00 pm online presentation

Open house: March 5 at 6:00pm at G.W Graham

Online survey open February 17-March 10

January 17 school board meeting a question about the French Immersion budget was asked, we are waiting for Rohan Arul-Pragasam (Superintendent) to get back to us with the numbers.

New Business

Guest: David Swankey, School Trustee

"The board has to make hard decisions, there is not one decision that will make everyone happy."

-Submit all questions in advance to school board communication email before online meeting on February 25 to ensure questions are being discussed and answered.

Adjourned at 8:30pm

Next Meeting: April 15, 2026 at 7:00pm