

**Barriere Secondary School
PAC Minutes
December 8, 2025**

Attendance

Jen Crosman, Elizabeth Ekins, Ronda Kershaw, Angie Farrow, Colleen Tremblay, Ugochi Akanogoziri, Mr. Markides

Financials

General	\$1488.38	
Gaming	\$6151.71	
Bursary	\$4243.53	There are 5 Bursaries still pending from last year and 3 due to expire January 1 st 2026
Sign	\$1432.91	

Principals Report

There has been a lot of talk about the bathroom doors being removed. We went and looked and there is no risk of a breach of privacy. Some mirrors have been removed to ensure full privacy. The only issue is there is no where to change cloths so the change rooms will be unlocked to allow the kids to change before and after sports or gym.

There are 5 Grant applications for the LNTCF grant

\$2500 - couches, chairs, non rolling tables to make the library a more inviting place

\$2000 - supplies for the kiln in the art room

\$3744.61 - vices for welding and metal work in the shop

\$2500 - a potential volley ball camp this summer

\$2500 - game balls for all levels in volleyball and basketball

\$2000 - new picnic table for out side. PAC will purchase a second picnic table principal will find out costs

The student attendance records show that we currently have a 25% to 29% absent rate. (The provincial average is 22%) The absentees are mostly excused absences but also a number of consistent absentees. Studies show that 18 days absent can affect learning outcomes. The school is currently looking into ways to have kids want to come to school. Kids have been asked for feedback on this topic. The school is hoping to build a better school culture with things like theme days, teacher student games, etc. The goal is to create a safe place they want to be. Some parent feedback has revealed kids are bored, miss academic awards, and want lessons to be taught even if there are only a few kids that show up to class.

Annual Student Christmas Luncheon will be December 17th

Basketball

Sr girls placed 3rd in Barriere

Sr boys placed 3rd in Armstrong

Jr girls placed 3rd in Williams Lake

Trusties Report

There is a new superintendent. He comes from a large district and is very experienced. There is a new secretary treasurer as well.

DPAC

School Cash online has refunded some of the fees they had charged

Next meeting will be the 3rd week in January

Old Business

Youth In Trades Bursary has been postponed until we have a bursary committee

No update on fence art

We still need the receipt for the paint on the score keeping table.

The PAC is selling discount cards as a fundraiser. There are two different cards, one for golf and one for restaurants. Each card gives discounts at a few restaurants or golf courses depending on the card. They can be used 4 times at each participating restaurant or golf course. They are \$30 each and we make \$10 each

New Business

The kids would like a net on the outside basketball hoops. Mr. Markides will look into if the hoops take nets and the cost involved in getting chain nets as they are best for outdoor hoops

The Life Touches have been doing our grad photos for many years but the grad photos have not been very good the last few years. The question was asked if there is another option for these photos. There are other options available but the principal will start by talking to Life Touches about our concerns and see if they can do something about it.

Next Meeting

January 19, 2026