

DPAC Meeting Minutes January 25th, 2018

Members Present: Justine Hodge DPAC Chair

Diane Braun DPAC Vice Chair Jessica Clarke DPAC Secretary

Michelle McGrath

DPAC Treasurer & Vedder Middle Rep

Kerry Jones

DPAC BCCPAC Rep & Robertson Elem Rep

Christine Goodman

DPAC Member at Large & Chilliwack Sec Rep

Stacy Wiebe DPAC Rep, Tyson Elementary

Cheri Bojcic DPAC Rep, FG Leary Fine Arts Elementary

Jamie Benton DPAC Rep, Cheam Elementary

Francesca Shannahan DPAC Rep, Promontory Heights Elementary

Sukaina Rehmtulla DPAC Rep, Sardis Secondary

Roop Virk DPAC Rep, Little Mountain Elementary

Jason Hugh
Chad Bruneski
DPAC Rep, Evans Elementary
DPAC Rep, Sardis Elementary
Mohamed Rehmtulla
Parent, Sardis Secondary
Mallory Tomlinson
Parent, Robertson Elementary
Bonnie Pankratz
Parent, Greendale Elementary

Colleen Wilson Parent, FVDES
Gail Tremeer Parent, FVDES

Guests:

1. CALL TO ORDER – Neighbourhood Learning Centre, Room 1012

1.1 Call to Order

Justine Hodge, Chair, welcomed those present as well as introductions of the room. Quorum of 5 voting members met with 11 DPAC representatives present. The meeting was called to order at 6:37pm at the Neighbourhood Learning Centre.

1.2 Adoption of the Agenda

MOTION

Moved by Jamie Seconded by Christine

THAT the agenda be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED

1.3 Approval of the Minutes

MOTION

Moved by Kerry Seconded by Jamie

THAT the minutes of the October 26 2017 meeting be approved as circulated.

CARRIED



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2. REPORTS

2.1 Trustee Report

No trustees were present to give a report.

2.2 Committee Reports

Reconfiguration-Implementation Advisory Committee – Diane Braun and Jessica Clarke Diane presented the report to the membership:

- Dates for Parent Evenings at each middle school will be posted on each school's website
- \$300,000 in funding for playground equipment for middle schools was announced
- The district has settled hiring dates with CTA staff and is currently negotiating with CUPE staff
- Distance Education will be restructured as enrollment is down. No other details released
- More information is available on the School District website at http://www.sd33.bc.ca/reconfiguration-0
- Any parents who have concerns they want brought to the committee should contact Diane or Jessica

Child and Youth Committee – Christine Goodman

Christine presented the report to the membership:

- There is a desperate need for foster homes in Chilliwack. There used to be 75 foster homes but now there are only 35. Younger foster parents are also needed. Without foster homes, children cannot be brought into care or will be sent to foster homes outside of the community. More information can be found at https://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/family-social-supports/fostering
- A Middle Years forum is being held on February 7 from 8:30am-4:15pm at the Chilliwack Cultural Centre that focuses on children ages 7-12.

2.3 BCCPAC Report – Kerry Jones

Kerry presented the report to the membership:

- Resolutions for the AGM are due February 10
- Nominations for BCCPAC Executive positions are due February 28
- AGM is May 4-6 in Richmond
- Schools that are BCCPAC members can send their votes in by proxy with DPAC if no one attends the AGM

2.4 Treasurer's Report - Michelle McGrath

Michelle presented the report to the membership:

- As of December 31, 2017:
 - o Gaming Account Balance, after commitments: \$3326.81
 - General Account Balance, after commitments: \$1046.60
- The student who won the 2016/2017 bursary has not cashed the bursary cheque and cannot be contacted



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2.5 Chair's Report - Justine Hodge

Justine presented the report to the membership:

- A SOGI 123 Timeline was released by DPAC for informational purposes to assist parents and DPAC Reps at their PAC meetings when questions come up.
- The School District had planned on doing parent information sessions regarding SOGI 123
 with DPAC and the CTA prior to the vote of non-confidence from the CTA. There has been no
 communication between the organizations since then.
- Mission DPAC is holding a SOGI 123 information session February 21 at 7pm in Mission
- Parents should talk to their children's teachers regarding the SOGI 123 resource as it is the teacher who decides what available resources to use or not to use.

3. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

3.1 Electronic Meeting

MOTION

Moved by Roop Seconded by Jamie

THAT the minutes of the October 26 2017 meeting be approved as circulated.

CARRIED

4. NEW BUSINESS

4.1 BCCPAC Presentation in February

 BCCPAC will be presenting an advocacy workshop on February 22 in place of the regular DPAC meeting. Jen Mezei (BCCPAC President) and John Gaiptman (BCCPAC Executive Director) will facilitate this workshop

4.2 Fraser Valley Distance Education – Gail Tremeer, FVDES PAC Chair

Gail gave a brief history of FVDES and spoke regarding the future of FVDES

- The PAC has been told that the program is being redesigned and that the School District will meet on February 2 with the PAC
- The PAC does not have contact information for most parents who attend FVDES due to the nature of the school, so they went to the media to inform parents of the upcoming changes to the program.
- Many students enrolled in brick and mortar schools in the district take courses through FVDES so the changes may affect many families.

4.3 Did You Know?!

Did you know the proposed school calendar for 2018/19 is available to view and give feedback on?

Calendar:

https://www.sd33.bc.ca/sites/default/files/2018-19%20Calendar.xlsx.pdf

Survey (open until February 13 at 4:00 pm):

https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/HJKTPC3



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4.4 New Ideas or Concerns

- PAC Constitution and Bylaws
 - Justine will ask the School District to remove their sample from their website and will send out the DPAC sample to any PACs who want it.
- Interest of PACs to donate to sponsor DPAC presentations for parents
 - Gaming funds cannot be used for refreshments at presentations and they cost approximately \$150 per presentation
 - o Any PACs who are interested can contact Michelle for more information
- Future Workshops
 - Discussion took place regarding ideas for future workshops. BCCPAC will have many resources available regarding workshops at the annual conference in May.

5. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting is scheduled for March 15, 2018, at 6:30pm in room 1012 at the Neighbourhood Learning Centre.

6. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 9:05pm.

DPAC Secretary

Jessica Clarke

Minutes Temporarily Approved by: Justine Hodge DPAC Chair