



DPAC MEETING MINUTES FOR JANUARY 31ST, 2019

Held at the Chilliwack School District Office

Members Present:	Diane Braun Michelle McGrath Jessica Clarke Jamie Benton Meghan Reid Christine Goodman	DPAC Chair DPAC Vice Chair & Acting Secretary DPAC Treasurer DPAC BCCPAC Rep DPAC Member at Large DPAC Member at Large & CSSS DPAC Rep
	Karen Layte Mallory Tomlinson Trina Venier Sharon Proulx	DPAC Rep Tyson Elementary DPAC Rep Robertson Elementary DPAC Rep GW Graham DPAC Rep Central EI & Chilliwack Middle
Trustee Liaison:	David Swankey	School District 33
SD 33 Staff:	Rohan Arul-pragasam	SD33 Acting Superintendent

- **CALL TO ORDER – School District Office**

- **1.1 Called to Order**

- Diane Braun, Chair, welcomed those present and called the meeting to order.
 - Quorum of 5 voting members met with 6 DPAC Representatives Present. Majority will be 4 votes.
 - Called to order 7:03 PM

- **1.2 Adoption of the Agenda**

- That the agenda be adopted as circulated

- **MOVED** by Sharon that the agenda be adopted as circulated. 2nd Christine. **CARRIED**

- **1.3 Approval of the Minutes**

- That the minutes of the November 29th 2018 meeting be approved as circulated

- **MOVED** by Karen that the minutes be approved as circulated. 2nd Sharon. **CARRIED**

- **2.0 SPECIAL PRESENTATION – Rohan Arul-pragasam, Acting Superintendent, presented the Safe and Caring Schools Presentation.**

- Chilliwack has been an inclusive school district for many years, we joined the SOGi Network in 2017.
 - Inclusive Education provides a mirror for students and families to see themselves reflected and a window for all students to see the diversity that exists in society.
 - Presentation was constructed with input from DPAC, CUPE, CTA and SD33 Staff.

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- The intent of having this presentation was to educate administrators so they are equipped to present this at the school level to parents. Parents should be able to have interactive conversations with their school principals surrounding this.
- If parents have concerns about what is being taught in their Childs' classroom the best course of action is a conversation with the teacher. Teachers have autonomy to choose their resources. They are given guidelines and suggested resources but ultimately can use their professional judgement. The new BC Curriculum gives teachers a lot more flexibility in their choice of resource.
- Many people are confused thinking this is a separate curriculum or piece. This is not a curricular course but resource that can be used by teachers. SOGI is a resource recommended by the Ministry of Education. There is no separate and distinct SOGI program or curriculum.
- 59 of 60 Schools districts are supporting the SOGI Resource. (SOGIeducation.org)
- The board released a new statement of support at the January 15th meeting.
- Schools all have Safe and inclusive school "leads". Next meeting of these leads in February 11th.

Below is an impactful quote from the presentation. Full presentation can be found using the following link:

<https://sd33.bc.ca/sites/sd33.bc.ca/files/2018-06/Safe%20and%20Caring%20Schools%20-%202018.pptx .pdf>



Real students, every school, daily

"Schools are supposed to be about supporting kids, ALL kids, and giving them a safe environment. Schools need to know how to help kids like me. They need to have the tools and knowledge about what it means to be LGBTQ. YOU can help them. You won't believe the impact it has on kids like me, just to feel accepted. To feel loved."

*Tru Wilson
Gr 8 Student, Delta, B.C.*



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3.0 REPORTS

3.1 Trustee Report

- Transportation Advisory Committee Update #1 – Two issues in regards to school and playground zones. There was discussion surrounding the speed limit hours in the school zones and whether or not those hours should be extended. At this time there will be no change. If you have specific concerns please contact Samantha Piper at the City of Chilliwack.
- Transportation Advisory Committee Update #2 – City is having an increasing issue with Red Light Runners. This is at the detriment of student safety. The Motor Vehicle Act requires drivers to stop when meeting a school bus with red lights flashing. Cameras have been installed on a number of the school busses and SD33 continues to work with Gatekeeper Systems Inc. to purchase additional cameras as not all busses have been outfitted with cameras. The School District is also working together with the RCMP Traffic Section in an attempt to record violators. The School District is working with ICBC to coordinate a public awareness campaign. Please bring this back to your PAC meeting as parents are often included in those not stopping for school busses. The RCMP and ICBC are starting to crack down on this.
- Trustee Swankey was asked what the selection process will look like for parent involvement for planning of new school. David will follow up and hopefully have more news to forward to Diane in the coming weeks.

3.2 Committee Report – CYC Committee

- Trustee Willow Reichelt spoke of New School.
- David Manual spoke about graduation rates and where we have made strides in the district over the past 10-15 years.
- New flexible approach being used to reach at risk students through a branch of the district resource team, a team that is unique to our district. Alyson King is the coordinator of this program.
- Fraser Health received a grant for Healthy Schools BC specific to promoting mental health work.
- YMCA Opening February 18th. DRY Opening as there is a delay in the opening of the pool due to a burst pipe. The pool is scheduled to open later in March.

3.2 Committee Report – Special Needs Advisory Committee

Special Education Audit

- This was a funding compliance audit for students with designation to ensure money was being used where it should.
- Some districts were hit pretty hard, one losing \$357,800 of funding. We only lost \$9,800 which they already knew to be a data entry error of some kind.



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Partial Day Data Collection

- In order to better understand why students miss school, and eventually improve attendance for students with challenges in this area, the school administrators started this month collecting data. A form will be used to list reasons why a student is absent, what educational program the student will be taking home, and a review date will be set to follow up on students.

SBT Best Practice Document

- This was on the agenda but we ran out of time so it will be on the agenda for the next meeting in March.
- Following the meeting a hard copy was provided to Christine as it was fresh of the press, should anyone want to take a look at it.
- Student Services has been building knowledge and excitement with all the RT, LAT, counsellors, P/VPs, and in-servicing will be started in February to all school-based team members.

3.2 Committee Report – CHC Committee

- OCAT is looking to start SD33 Parent nights as we are having increased rates of drug overdose in Chilliwack. OCAT = The Chilliwack Overdose Community Action Team.
- Chilliwack overdoses are up 30% where other communities are seeing decreases.

3.2 Committee Report – Primary Prevention

- Primary Prevention has been given a delegation to speak to City Council regarding “age verification” and protecting our children from accessing porn on March 5th. This is great because it ties in with “Sexual Exploitation Awareness Week”.

3.3 Treasurers Report

- Gaming Balance: \$6,156.49 (as at December 31st, 2018)
- General Balance: \$1,322.92 (as at December 31st, 2018)

Budget Committee – Purchased 5 new portables this year, 5 new next year at a cost of 135,000 each.

3.4 BCCPAC Report

- AGM is coming up May 5th & 6th, 2018.



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- Pink Shirt Day is February 27th
- BCCPAC Awards nominations due dates are coming up. Please refer to the BCCPAC website for additional details.
<https://www.bccpac.bc.ca/index.php/members/awards>
- Board nominations submissions are being accepted right now.
- Resolutions submissions are due February 28th, 2019.

3.5 CHAIRS Report – Diane Braun

- PAC 101 – This was not as well attended as we hoped but feedback from parents was very good. DPAC Plans to make this an annual event.
- We have set a date for PAC / DPAC Recognition dinner with the board. This is an EXCELLENT Event, please try and have someone attend. Watch in your school's mailboxes for your invitation.

4 UNFINISHED BUSINESS

4.1 Code of Ethics

- One DPAC Rep who was in attendance had yet to sign the Code of Ethics.

4.2 Parents Concerns Regarding CTA Contract.

- Diane asked if there were any further discussion to be brought forward as a result of DPAC Reps discussing the CTA contracts at their PAC meetings. Diane has a meeting scheduled to discuss these issues with CTA before bringing anything forward to the bargaining committee on behalf of parents.

5 NEW BUSINESS

5.1 White Hatter Presentation – March 5th, 2019 at 6:30-8:30 PM at Sardis Secondary Theatre. This is a Cyber Safety Presentation. Admission is FREE. Please advertise at your schools.

5.2 Selfless – Tuesday February 12th 7:00-10:00 PM Clarke Foundation Theatre Mission. This is a documentary that opens the conversation to the ever-growing epidemic with selfies, social media, and technology. **MOTION:** That DPAC approve an expense of \$80 to send two parents to the screening of Selfless on February 12. Motion by Mallory, Second by Trina. **CARRIED**

5.3 New Ideas of Concerns – Roundtable on how do you see the PAC as a partner in education? What are some barriers to being effective partners? What can DPAC do to strengthen PACs and meaningful engagement/involvement? What kind of training can be offered to strengthen our volunteers?



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- **What stops parents from being partners in education?** Time commitments, we get complacent and rely too much on teachers. Parents should be invited to participate in creation of school growth plans. This should be brought up at September PAC meetings.
- **What discourages parents from partaking in PACs?** Fundraising, not enough volunteers so parents get worn out, time commitments, sports and other activities, unwelcoming environment.
- **What can PACs or DPACs do to strengthen meaningful engagement/involvement?** PAC101, better communication, agendas in advance and more descriptive, minutes emailed out to all parents not just attendees so parents don't have to search on the websites for minutes as they are more likely to read if they come via email.

6 **DATE OF NEXT MEETING: February 28th, 2019 AT 7:00 PM AT THE BOARD OFFICE**

7 **AJOURNMENT: 9:25**

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THE WHITE HATTER



Internet Safety & Digital Literacy for Parents and Caregivers

When: Tuesday, March 5th
6:30-8:30pm

Where: Sardis Secondary School
45460 Stevenson Rd

Facilitated By: Brandon Laur



What You Will Learn

Hardware/software monitoring options and their pros and cons

Today's online slang, as well as emojis and their connotations

The emotional, psychological, and physical challenges surrounding online pornography, gaming, gambling

The positives and negatives of social networks

Why future employers, colleges, and universities are checking your child's digital dossier

Things you can do immediately to protect your child's online reputation

Why your child needs to consider that everything they do online is public, permanent, and searchable regardless of their privacy settings

Current examples of social engineering and manipulation tactics

How to spot and mediate cyberbullying

Understanding sexting and how to approach discussion with your child

The law as it relates to cyberbullying and sexting and possible unintended consequences

The benefits of community-based restorative justice programs

How to encourage desirable online ethics and values

About Our Team

The White Hatter Team has presented to over 450 schools and hundreds of thousands of students across Canada and the United States. Our mission is to equip students, teachers, parents, law enforcement, and others with the tools necessary to stay safe in the real-world as well as in today's digital world. We empower the use of technology for socio-economic benefits, while also tackling some of the concerns that come up with the rapid growth of technology and unlimited worldwide communication. We pride ourselves on using a holistic approach addressing the legal, emotional, physical, and technical components that keep everyone safe.

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