



DPAC General Meeting November 25, 2021 at 7:00PM

Held via Zoom

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1) **CALL TO ORDER – 7:00 PM**

1.1 Call to Order

- Welcome and Introduction
- Ensure Quorum

1.2 Adoption of the Agenda

- (THAT the agenda be adopted as circulated.)

1.3 Approval of the Minutes

- (THAT the minutes of the October 28th General Meeting be approved as circulated.)

2) **SPECIAL PRESENTATION – Playgrounds – Allan Van Tassel Director of Facilities and Transportation**

3) **REPORTS**

- Trustee Report
- Committee Reports
 - CYC Committee
 - Middle Years Committee
 - CHC Committee
 - SAGE Committee
 - Inclusive Education Committee
 - Budget Committee
 - EPAC
- BCCPAC Report
- Treasurer's Report
- Chair's Report

4) **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

4.1 Sexual Health Education

5) **NEW BUSINESS**

5.1 Long Range Facilities Plan Consultation

5.2 PAC Membership Contact Information Collection and Management

6) **ROUNDTABLE – Trialing District Staff Guest at DPAC Meetings**

7) **DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

- DPAC General Meeting January 27, 2022 at 7pm via Zoom

8) **ADJOURNMENT**

Alicia Fleetham



DPAC General Meeting November 25, 2021 at 7:00PM

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Members Present:

Alicia Fleetham	DPAC Chair
Diane Braun	DPAC Vice Chair
Katie Bartel	DPAC Secretary
Jessica Clarke	DPAC Treasurer
Meghan Reid	DPAC BCCPAC Rep
Elizabeth Beacom	DPAC Member at Large & Watson DPAC Rep
Anders Lunde	DPAC Member at Large
Tanya Cannon	Central DPAC Rep
Erica Hansom	Evans DPAC Rep
Heather Wooton	Leary DPAC Rep
Nicole Klix	Greendale DPAC Rep
Vrushali Khot	Little Mountain DPAC Rep
Matthew Stevenson	McCammon DPAC Rep
Kimberly Gladstone	Promontory DPAC Rep
Joanne Johnson	Roberston DPAC Rep
Shannon Burnett	Rosedale DPAC Rep
Kendy Michaloski	Sardis DPAC Rep
Barbara Dekkers	Strathcona DPAC Rep
Samantha Clark	Tyson DPAC Rep
Amy Kelly	Unsworth DPAC Rep
Angela Wilkinson	Vedder Elem. DPAC Rep
Shantini Klaasen	Yarrow DPAC Rep
Tanya Rath	ADR DPAC Rep
Jaimie Benton	CMS DPAC Rep
Angela Robinson	GW Graham DPAC Rep
Scott Hill	MSMS DPAC Rep
Amanda Goudreault	CSS DPAC Rep
Jill Luesink	Imagine DPAC Rep
Meghan Reid	SSS DPAC Rep

Guests Present:

Sean Wicker – Principal for the Summer Learning Presentation
Carin Bondar – SD33 School Trustee

Michelle McGrath, Ali Phillips, Amy Neilson, Deirdre O'Connor, Heather Attridge, Jennifer Stevens, Lydia Paulger, Rebecca Legros, Stacey Gould, Emily Wittenburg, Amy Brosinski, Lauren Mitchell

1. CALL TO ORDER @ 7:02pm



- Introductions & Ensure Quorum
 - Quorum of members met
- Adoption of Agenda
 - **MOTION** by Meghan Reid THAT the agenda be adopted as circulated.
 - Matthew Stevenson Seconded - Approved
- Approval of Minutes
 - **MOTION** by Elizabeth Beacom THAT the minutes of the September 22nd General meeting be approved as circulated.
 - Meghan Reid Seconded – Approved

2. SPECIAL PRESENTATION – Summer Learning Program Parent Consultation

- Sean Wicker gave a short presentation on the Summer Learning Program and asked for feedback on past experiences with the program from parents. DPAC Reps provided feedback on the program from their PACs.
 - Many students enjoyed the Summer Learning Program, especially the Outdoor, Coding and Agricultures classes.
 - Parents felt there were not many interesting options for secondary students.
 - Dates and times of the program were a barrier to families wishing to access the program. Some wanted a break after school gets out; times don't fit working parents' schedules; times were too short making it not worth the drive for parents who live far from the location of the program.
 - Sean Wicker advised that Ministry funding is tied to the timing of the program.
 - Many parents felt communication with teachers and administrators was an issue. Many didn't know if their student was accepted into the program until a week before the start; some emails were not responded to and info was distributed very close to the start date making summer plans difficult to organize; Info on the website was incorrect as well.
 - Many parents and students felt drop off and the first day was chaotic this past year due to COVID protocols
 - Parents of children with diverse needs and disabilities were unsure if there would be access to EA support and it was acknowledged that the staffing required can be a challenge for the district to meet.

3. REPORTS

- Trustee Report**



- The Chilliwack School Board is actively discussing COVID and the possibility of a vaccine mandate while communicating with Fraser Health and watching what is happening in all districts across the province.
- Boundary changes are happening to accommodate the new Stito:s school <https://sd33.bc.ca/stitos-lalem-totilt-elementary-middle-school>
 - Indigenous students from Cultus Lake will be offered a priority seat in the school.
- Initial info on the district Budget has been presented and projections are being made.
- The district has seen an increase in students registered which has surpassed the estimated number expected this year.
- **Committee Reports**
 - **CYC Committee**
 - The School District hired 15 Children and Youth in Care support teachers.
 - The YMCA is open however, the limited programming for ages 0-6 is underused at this time.
 - A presentation given on how Adverse Childhood Experiences presentation (ACES) affects lifelong health and learning.
 - Watch the video here:
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=lipVaPKnjRk&t=23>
 - Donna Simon from Gambling Support BC is available for free parent information gaming and screentime.
 - Each school has a Safe and Inclusive School Lead (SOGI)
 - **Middle Years Committee**
 - MYC met on Oct 22 with the new chair, Aileen Matthews.
 - The results from the survey sent out to caregivers and teachers were reviewed.
 - MYC is looking for gaps and barriers in the results.
 - The next meeting is set for December 1st.
 - **CHC Committee**
 - CHC hosts a trans-care group for 12-18 year olds on Wednesday afternoons at the Neighborhood Learning Center. It is a safe place to hang out, not therapy.
 - Chilliwack Financial Literacy Highlighting Achievement BC offers curriculum and free resources for work readiness and those interested in entrepreneurship.
 - This curriculum is already in 97% of schools in BC.



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- A presentation will be given to the SD33 School Board in November.
 - **SAGE Committee**
 - SAGE met on October 4th and is a brand new, grassroots advisory panel that is community based.
 - SAGE will be meeting with the CTA to gather more information about what is happening with the SOGI resource and what gaps they might see. There are plans to meet with Dr. Meghan Mackenzie from the Gender Care Committee soon as well.
 - **Advisory Committee for Inclusive Education**
 - ACIE met on October 25, there are still vacant seats for parents of students in Alternative Ed, Secondary, and who identify Indigenous. There are many staff seats on the committee so parent voices are very important to have. If any parents are interested, please reach out to DPAC.
 - ACIE discussed other methods for the district to recruit parents to the committee.
 - Advertisements for ACIE parent reps went out on Twitter and school admin were to email parents but its unclear how many schools did
 - Facebook posts were recommended as a better way to engage parents.
 - The next meeting is Nov 8, then not until early Jan.
 - **Budget Committee**
 - Nov 4 is the first meeting. More information will be presented at the next DPAC General meeting.
 - **EPAC**
 - The Education Policy Advisory Committee is made up of students, teachers, admin, trustees, and parent representatives to give feedback on policies that are to be presented to the board.
 - EPAC has not met in 2 years and the first meeting is scheduled for November 1.
 - The policies being discussed on Nov 1 are policies concerning DPAC and PAC. DPAC will bring feedback forward.
 - **BCCPAC Report**
 - A brief explanation of how BCCPAC, DPACs and PACs work alongside each other was given.
 - More information can be found here:
<https://bccpac.bc.ca/index.php/resources/16-dpac-pac/920->



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- parent-stakeholders?fbclid=IwAR0_UwbIFfzngSAPGD6N6TiiR0HGLIX2qQMTscNmYjE2yXbK7Njgex3akQY
- PACs need to register and pay fees with BCCPAC by Dec 31 for voting rights at the BCCPAC AGM.
 - Registration link:
<https://bccpac.bc.ca/index.php/members/membership-renewal>
 - Gaming grants are coming out a little late this year.
 - Survey on Student Reporting is available until November 5
 - Parents can give feedback for BCCPAC to present the parent view to the Ministry of Education.
 - <https://feedback.engage.gov.bc.ca/944758?lang=en>
 - **Treasure's Report**
 - See Attachment #1
 - As of September 30, 2021:
 - Gaming Account balance after commitments is \$5156.76
 - General account balance after commitments is \$2006.92
 - **Chair's Report**
 - The DPAC Executive has turned the DPAC Facebook group post approval turned on. This has helped with the workload involved in managing the page.
 - Cross Campus Program is available as an option for secondary students who want or need a class that is not offered at their home school. This option will be reviewed on a case-by-case basis and parents and students are asked to discuss options with their school counsellor.
 - DPAC is funding Saleema Noom's program at Unsworth, the school will have 30-day access to K-7 workshop and parent videos
 - DPAC will present Saleema Noom on March 8, 6:30-8pm via Zoom to parents across the district as well. More information to come closer to the date.
 - On September 26th Vancouver DPAC reached out to DPACs across the province seeking support on their letter advocating for stronger COVID safety measures with a short due date. Chilliwack DPAC offered PACs an opportunity to vote, discuss the letter with their membership and provide feedback. The vote was split with many PACS abstaining. Many PACs did not support all aspects of the letter but did want additional safety measures in place.
 - CTA and CUPE and DPAC partnered to write a letter to the board requesting COVID be a standing item on board meetings agendas.



The board responded to add the item when there is something new to report.

- At the October 5th school board meeting it was announced that assemblies/large student gatherings would no longer be occurring which was also a top safety concern for many parents
- Trustees and district staff have ensured that DPAC will be updated with next steps and plans as things unfold at the ministry, regional and district level. As has been the case for the last year and half things change quickly and plans and directions shift repeatedly. DPAC is striving to address issues as they arise and promptly while still working within our means in a volunteer advisory capacity.
- DPAC provided feedback on the proposed changes to the school board's code of conduct and ethics policy. DPAC also provided further feedback to the ministry appointed special advisor via email and in an additional phone call.

4. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

□ Transmountain Pipeline

- Al Van Tassel provided DPAC with an update
 - Construction is set to begin for July and August 2022, VMS and Watson have the pipeline on school property while Unsworth, Tyson, MSMS and SSS are within close proximity. All schools will have a school safety plan
 - Current safety plans such as hold and secure and contacting the TMP emergency number will stay in place and any new measures will be communicated out.
 - DPAC is encouraging parents to ask admin any questions they may have and are looking for parents of students at affected schools for possible volunteer committee work. Parents can reach out to DPAC for more information.

5. NEW BUSINESS

□ COVID Vaccine Mandate for School Staff and Volunteers

- This vote has highlighted PACs need to review their C&B's to ensure proper processes and to understand PAC and DPAC's procedures and C&B's.
- DPAC focused efforts and energy on supporting PACs directly. Parents should reach out to their PAC Executive with concerns first.
- **MOTION** by Matthew Stevenson THAT DPAC write a letter to the Chilliwack Board of Education supporting a COVID vaccine mandate for school staff and volunteers.
 - Seconded by Meghan Reid.



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- Discussion on the motion highlighted parent concerns around the issues with voting methods that PACs used for parent engagement.
 - DPAC Executive advised that each PAC governs itself with its own constitution and bylaws
 - Shantini Klaasen called the question and Matthew Stevenson seconded.
 - MOTION PASSED
 - 9 PACs voted YES, 8 PACs voted No, 6 PACs abstained.

6. DATES OF UPCOMING MEETINGS

- DPAC General Meeting November 25, 2021 at 7pm via Zoom

7. ADJOURNMENT @ 9:07pm

Prepared By:

x Katie Bartel

Katie Bartel
DPAC Secretary

Draft Approved By:

x Alicia Fleetham

Alicia Fleetham
DPAC Chair



Attachment #1 – Treasurer's Report

**CHILLIWACK SCHOOL DISTRICT
 PARENT ADVISORY COUNCIL
 STATEMENT OF REVENUES AND EXPEDITURES
 JULY 1, 2021- JUNE 30TH, 2022**

	<u>Gaming Account</u> 1465970	<u>General Account</u> 1465954
Bank Balance as at July 1st, 2021	6,007.24	2,006.92
2020/21 Province of BC DPAC Grant Donation		
SD33 BCCPAC Conference		
Total Funds Available	<u>6,007.24</u>	<u>2,006.92</u>
Expenditures Paid		
<u>BCCPAC Membership Fees</u>		
<u>DPAC Workshop Costs</u>		
<u>Miscellaneous Expenses</u>		
Heather Attridge Suzanne P. IEP Presentation Cheque #88	250.00	
Saleema Noon Sexual Health Workshop 2022 Cheque #89	367.50	
Total Expenditures	<u>617.50</u>	<u>-</u>
Closing Bank Balance September 30, 2021	<u>\$ 5,389.74</u>	<u>\$ 2,006.92</u>
Expenditures Committed:		
Alicia Fleetham BCEdAccess Advocon Cheque #90	48.99	
Katie Bartel BCEdAccess Advocon Cheque #91	33.99	
Jessica Clarke BCCPAC Membership Cheque #92	150.00	
Total Commitments on Account	<u>232.98</u>	<u>-</u>
NET Adjusted Bank Balance	<u>\$ 5,156.76</u>	<u>\$ 2,006.92</u>