

DPAC MEETING MINUTES FOR OCTOBER 29th, 2020

Held via Zoom

Members Present: Diane Braun DPAC Chair

Michelle McGrath DPAC Vice Chair and SSS Rep

Alicia Fleetham Secretary and LME Rep

Heather Attridge DPAC Treasurer and ADR Rep

Jessica ClarkeDPAC BCCPAC RepMeghan ReidDPAC Member at LargeChristine GoodmanDPAC Member at Large

Elizabeth Beacom

Jennifer Roy

Pamela Fox

Katie Bartel

Kendy Michaloski

Angela Turner

Hollee Wark

DPAC Rep Watson Elementary

DPAC Rep Cheam Elementary

DPAC Rep Promontory Elementary

DPAC Rep F.G. Leary Elementary

DPAC Rep Sardis Elementary

DPAC Rep Cultus Lake Elementary

Jill Luesink

Alexis Boothby-Young

Anders Lunde

Kyla Campbell

Samantha Clarke

DPAC Rep GWG Secondary

DPAC Rep Tyson Elementary

DPAC Rep Central Elementary

DPAC Rep Central Elementary

DPAC Rep Evans Elementary

Trustee Liaison: David Swankey School District 33

Guests: Jamie Benton Parent

1.0 CALL TO ORDER – Via Zoom

1.1 Called to Order

- Diane Braun, Chair, called the meeting to order at 7:02pm
- Quorum of 17 voting members met with 21 DPAC Members Present

1.2 Adoption of the Agenda

- EA standards of practice presentation added by Anders
- Budget added to the treasurer report
- No other additions were made, agenda passed as amended.

1.3 Approval of the Minutes

Minutes approved unanimously

2.0 REPORTS

2.1 Trustee Report

• Enrollment in the district has slightly decreased from the projected numbers

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- Imagine High is continuing townhalls, registration opens on November16th, and is first come first serve.
- Dan Coulter has been presumed to be elected as MLA for Chilliwack riding and therefore stepping down as chair which coincides with the normal school board position elections at this time of year annually. There will be a special meeting October 30th at 3pm for board position elections.
- There is currently an unknown cost of for to run a Byelection to fill Dan Coulter's School Board Trustee seat which will be paid by District
- New recommendations were released this week from PHO for residents of the Fraser Health Authority Region are to not have people from outside your household population in your home
- David will ask how Ministry of Education safety guidelines are being adhered to across the district and if they are changing as needed based on the increase in community spread

2.2 Committee Reports

CYC Committee

- Nothing new to report
- If there is interest in from DPAC members in attending these meetings please let Diane know, they are scheduled the first Tuesday of each month from 9-11am

CHC Committee

- The poverty reduction group within committee is creating a quick reference page for families who would benefit from access to food programs
- The healthy workplaces lunch and learn is available for employers and their employees to access, they are 45 minute presentations on various mental health issues
- The Elements of wellness brochure will be placed in The Progress at the end of November. There will also be a write up in The Progress in advance to notify readers
- The Elements of Wellness brochure will be distributed to 8000 Middle and Secondary School student in the district this fall in a condensed bookmark form along with a possible coordinating lesson plan for teachers

Inclusive Education Committee

- There is a proposed meeting date of November 9th
- Its unclear how many parents are currently on the committee, filling any possible vacancies has been added as an item on the next meeting agenda.

Budget Committee

- Emergency funding was received by the district from the province, and dedicated to specific areas that are COVID-19 response related
- Of the provincial and federal funding allocation more than \$383,000 and has been budgeted by the district to be used for PPE
- The cost estimate for a byelection is approximately 40,000\$ or more

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• The District allocated a large portion of the emergency funding for the transitions learning program and the hybrid learning program staffing

Education Policy Advisory Committee

• Nothing to report and no upcoming meetings scheduled at this time

2.3 BCCPAC Report and Memberships

- DPAC Leadership Summit being hosted virtually on Zoom November 20 and 21 and is open to all DPAC executive
- PACs will need to pay for and purchase their own BCCPAC memberships for \$75 by December 31st for voting rights at the BCCPAC AGM, this can be completed online at www.bccpac.bc.ca

2.4 Treasurer's Report

- DPACs Gaming grant funds have been received
- A donation of \$500 was received into the general account
- DPAC is seeking feedback and ideas from parents on possible use of funds
- TMP legal and possible admin costs have been added for the upcoming teleconference hearing
- Moved by Diane for DPAC to approve the budget as presented. Carried unanimously
- As of September 30, 2020
 - Gaming Account Balance, after commitments: 5963.43
 - o General Account Balance, after commitments: 1482.84

2.5 Chair's Report

• Many thanks to Christine for all her contributions to DPAC over the years

3.0 UNFINISHED BUSINESS

3.1 Trans Mountain Pipeline Expansion Update

- Many thanks to lan for his continued help and support in each step of this process
- Coldwater was successful in their bid to have a variance approved in the pipeline route through their lands
- TM has countered many arguments claiming they are out of scope or have already been addressed in other processes
- Christine will be representing DPAC, with the support of lan, in the video conference hearing scheduled for November 24th from 10-11am

4.0 SPECIAL ORDERS

4.1 Elections of Executive

Elizabeth ran the DPAC AGM Elections, with the following results:

- Chair Michelle McGrath
- Vice Chair Diane Braun
- **Secretary** Jessica Clarke
- **Treasurer** Heather Attridge

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- BCCPAC Rep Alicia Fleetham
- Member at Large Meghan Reid
- Member at Large Elizabeth Beacom

There was no need to reassign signing authority due to the same three executive members currently with signing authority remaining as executive members

5.0 NEW BUSINESS

5.1 EA Standards

- EAs currently have no standards of practice yet work with the most vulnerable students in schools. There is no oversight by a governing body in this profession
- The group is advocating to the province to make changes and will provide a presentation at DPACs December meeting, more information is available at www.eastandardsbc.ca

5.2 New ideas or concerns - Roundtable on back to school experiences and PAC activities

- Some trustee reports have become a platform for issues outside of work done by trustees in their capacity as a trustee
- Some trustees are demonstrating unprofessional and bullying behavior during their reports, setting a poor example for students
- If all trustees no longer had the ability to share their education related work in the community it would mean not hearing from those who do remain professional
- It has become a heavy burden for the chair to have to mediate trustee conduct through out the meeting and limits their ability to participate in the meetings effectively
- There appears to be no accountability for trustee conduct
- Increased censoring and increasing in camera meetings is not an appropriate or effective solution for the behavior and actions of only some trustees
- The trustees should be transparent with the public whom they represent
- Could the ministry of education appoint a mediator that could also attend in camera meetings?
- DPAC will research this possibility further and if applicable draft a letter to the ministry
- Considering the anticipated updates to many school district policies it was discussed about how DPAC could participate in the changes to policies that govern the board
- The policies that govern the board are mainly covered in section 2, however EPAC and therefore DPAC is unable to participate in making changes or proposing new policy in this area.
- EPAC is only involved in policy sections 5,6 and 9, David will inquire as to why these limitations are in place

DATE OF NEXT MEETING: NOVEMBER 26 AT 7:00 PM VIA ZOOM

6.0 AJOURNMENT: 9:47 pm



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CHILLIWACK SCHOOL DISTRICT
PARENT ADVISORY COUNCIL
STATEMENT OF REVENUES AND EXPEDITURES
JULY 1, 2020- JUNE 30TH, 2021

				ing Account 1465970			ral Account 465954
Bank Balance as at July 1s	t, 2020			6,033.98			1,482.84
Total Funds Available				6,033.98			1,482.84
Expenditures Paid							
BBCPAC Membership Fee	<u>s</u>						
DPAC Workshop Costs							
Miscellaneous Expenses							
Diane Braun	Printer Ink	Cheque #79		70.55			
Total Expenditures				70.55	-		-
Closing Bank Balance September 30, 2020			\$	5,963.43		\$	1,482.84
Expenditures Committed:							
BCCPAC	DPAC Membership	Cheque #80		150.00			
Alicia Fleetham	BCED Conference	Cheque #81		38.13			
Total Commitments on Account			_	188.13		_	-
NET Adjusted Bank Balance			\$	5,775.30		\$	1,482.84