



District Parent Advisory Council

**DPAC General Meeting
Wednesday, November 29, 2017 – 7:00pm
Gallery Room, Winslow Centre**

Craig Woods called the meeting to order at 7:04 p.m.
35 schools represented – quorum met.

Schools with a representative in attendance:

Elementary: Anmore, Baker Drive, Birchland, Blakeburn, Cape Horn, Coquitlam River, Eagle Ridge, Hampton Park, Hazel Trembath, Irvine, James Park, Kilmer, Mary Hill, Meadowbrook, Miller Park, Mountain View, Mundy Road, Panorama Heights, Porter Street, Ranch Park, Roy Stibbs, Seaview, Walton, Westwood

Middle: Como Lake, Eagle Mountain, Hillcrest, Kwayhquitlum, Maple Creek, Minnehada, Moody, Summit

Secondary: Dr. Charles Best, Pinetree, Riverside

DPAC Executive in attendance: Craig Woods –President, Marvin Klassen – Treasurer, Edward Ram – Vice President, Charlie Loo – Newsletter, Alicia Lara – Health & Safety Coordinator, Maria Ledezma – Member at Large, Jane Yu – Member at Large, Judi Zaklan – Secretary, Sandy Maloney – DPAC Office Manager.

Regrets: Corrie Noble – Member at Large, Shari O’Neill – Parent Ed, Teri Towner – PAC Communications Liaison, Helen Zeng – Member at Large, Patricia Gartland – Superintendent, Barb Hobson – Trustee.

Special Guests: Assistant Superintendents – Reno Cioffi and Rob Zambrano, Trustees – Chuck Denison, Diane Sowden, Michael Thomas.

Minutes taken by: Judi Zaklan

DPAC President Craig Woods welcomes all present, introduces DPAC Executive and special guests/speakers.

1. Approval of Agenda

MOTION made by Walton Elementary, seconded by Westwood Elementary to accept the Agenda as presented. **CARRIED**

2. Approval of Previous Minutes

MOTION made by Irvine Elementary, seconded by Mountain View Elementary, to accept the Minutes of the October 25, 2017 General Meeting as presented. **CARRIED**

3. Treasurer’s Report

- Marvin Klassen

- Income Statement 01 July 2017 – 31 Oct 2017

4. Superintendent's Report

- Reno Cioffi

- Regrets from Superintendent of Schools, Patricia Gartland & thanks to all parents for their involvement as this reflects on a better school outcome for kids and thanks to all DPAC Reps for taking the time to come to an evening meeting.
- Directions 2020 Expenditures to Support;
 - Student Success – E.g. Investments in students (Mental Health Coord. & Additional Youth Support Workers), teachers (Learning Services & Professional Learning), administrators (Principal for Smiling Creek Elem).
 - Learning through Technology – Support for data collection to enhance Continuing Ed.
 - Sustainable Organization – Including facility & software maintenance supports and incremental funding for Emergency Prep and Caretaking Equipment replacement.
- Student Leadership Council (SLC);
 - Student input through schools allow for enhanced leadership skills.
 - Middle – interests include achievement & learning via a Growth Mindset.
 - High School – interests include Mental Health issues and influencing School Board ** Feb 20 presentation to School Board **
- International Testing (PISA) – tests are a good reference point but not as a main focus.
 - Recent results from 2015
 - Canada & BC doing well in Equity, Achievement & Life Satisfaction.
- Assessment & Reporting
 - There have been a number of information sessions for parents and feedback is coming in (adjustments for 2018-19).

*** Full Report can be found on the DPAC Website at <https://dpac43.ca/documents-el/> ***

5. Social Emotional Health/ Emergency Prep

- Rob Zambrano

- A brief update on student wellness & safety.
 - 90% of all schools address this in Action Plans.
 - Supports allow for functionality (and conversely the lack of support disallows).
 - Mental Health resides in the web of interaction between individuals, family, community and society.
 - Our intentionality is in the curriculum – we can build on knowledge and understanding. E.g. Self-Regulation and Zones & RTI (Response to Intervention) Model – 3 levels of increasing specialization & supports.
- Emergency Preparedness
 - New focus for - Emergency Operation Center
 - Incident command Systems
 - Other safety protocol
 - Progress includes
 - Mass release of all students May 2016
 - Emergency Operations Center Base Training and Plan
 - Communications System during an Emergency
 - Incident command system to be introduced to schools early 2018
 - Province wide consistent response to an "All Hazards Protocol" training
 - Looking to include funding for supplies to support schools in the future.

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6. Executive Report

- Craig Woods

- Changes in Policy 19 re: Catchment – explicit parent consultation has been removed.

- DPAC position > the Superintendent must consider the parental voice when making decisions.
- Proposed Policy 22 re: Parental Code of Conduct
 - Although this policy is to address the safety of students, staff and administration, the proposal is NOT inclusive.
 - A restrictive consultative process (a very short timeline to respond),
 - There is no precedence in the province for such a policy,
 - Redundancies as other Policies, School Act, and School Code of Conduct already address many of these issues.
 - DPAC feels it is better to practice engagement and choose preemptive solutions/resolutions over enforcement.

7. At our school...

- no presentation

- Please feel free to contact the DPAC office if you have anyone who can fill this time for our general meeting.

8. Looking Ahead

- Craig Woods

- Feedback on Policy 22 and Emergency Preparedness

9. Any questions?

- Reminder that Global School Play Day is coming up on Feb. 7th. Global School Play Day is for any age group and can be the whole day or whatever part of the day you want. Check it out: www.globalschoolplayday.com > register your school if you're going to participate.

10. Adjournment

MOTION made by Walton Elementary, seconded by Panorama Elementary to adjourn the meeting at 9:15 p.m.

CARRIED