



## DPAC MEETING MINUTES FOR MAY 30<sup>TH</sup>, 2019 AGM

Held at the Chilliwack School District Office

<b>Members Present:</b>	<b>Diane Braun</b> <b>Michelle McGrath</b> <b>Jessica Clarke</b> <b>Meghan Reid</b> <b>Christine Goodman</b>	<b>DPAC Chair</b> <b>DPAC Vice Chair &amp; Acting Secretary</b> <b>DPAC Treasurer</b> <b>DPAC Member at Large</b> <b>DPAC Member at Large &amp; CSSS DPAC Rep</b>
	<b>Karen Layte</b> <b>Trina Venier</b> <b>Chad Brunneski</b> <b>Bonnie Pankratz</b> <b>Gary Telford</b> <b>Tai Weatherhead</b> <b>Karen Steinbach</b> <b>Debbie Milne</b>	<b>DPAC Rep Tyson Elementary</b> <b>DPAC Rep GW Graham</b> <b>DPAC Rep Sardis Elementary</b> <b>DPAC Rep Greendale Elementary</b> <b>DPAC Rep MSMS</b> <b>DPAC Rep Cheam El &amp; Vedder Middle</b> <b>DPAC Rep Rosedale</b> <b>DPAV Rep Evans Elementary</b>
<b>Trustee Liaison:</b>	<b>David Swankey</b>	<b>School District 33</b>

- **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 6 voting members met with 10 DPAC Members Present. Majority will be 6 votes.
    - Called to order 7:04 PM

- **1.2 Adoption of the Agenda**

- That the agenda be adopted as circulated

- **MOVED** by Trina that the agenda be adopted as circulated. 2<sup>nd</sup> Karen. **CARRIED**

- **1.3 Approval of the Minutes**

- That the minutes of the April 25<sup>th</sup> 2019 meeting be approved as circulated

- **MOVED** by Christine that the minutes be approved as circulated. 2<sup>nd</sup> Gary. **CARRIED**

## 2.0 REPORTS

### 2.1 Trustee Report

- Second and Third reading of the Budget took place at the May 28<sup>th</sup> board meeting.
  - New Policy on Dress Code Passed at May 28<sup>th</sup> board meeting.



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- Board Meeting Schedule for next year is 16 meetings. Diane has a copy of the schedule and will distribute.

### 2.2 Committee Report – CYC Committee

- Meeting held at the YMCA, followed by a tour; as a charity, the Y fundraises to be able to sponsor those who can't pay so no one is turned away for the reasons of affordability.

#### Primary Prevention:

- Dr. Lees presented a sample presentation that morning to show what the Primary Prevention committee had put together before presenting to the city council planned for later in the afternoon about childproofing access to web-porn in public spaces.

#### Afternoon Adventures (City Life)

- Received a BC Principal and VP Association Partnership Award.
- After school programs are operated in 6 schools, and attended by 200 students in grades 2-7
- CCS subcontracts Afternoon Adventures and is funded through the City of Chilliwack.
- A middle school will be joining next year

#### Volunteer Fraser Valley

- For those interested in Chilliwack volunteering opportunities may want to check out the website-based volunteer center called Volunteer Fraser Valley. [www.volunteerfv.com](http://www.volunteerfv.com)

#### School District – Dave Manuel

- There was discussion about presenting the MDI results that were released, at the upcoming June meeting next week.

#### NLC – Mark Klassen

- A lot of youth were on school properties last year drinking and causing vandalism. They are looking into proactive measures in anticipation of the summer. This includes the UFV site. Tenants will be remaining at the UFV site until the end of December, but they want to make sure that when homeless camps come down that they don't end up on our sites. They have started to issue to individuals a "Section 177's of the School Act" (Maintenance of Order that prohibits unwanted trespassers) in order to keep our properties safe spaces; biggest we've had so far have been 12.



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### 2.2 Committee Report – CHC Committee

- Jared Mumford is now the Co-Chair
- June 10th there will be a Financial Literacy seminar at Central Elementary
- May 2020 CYC will be hosting "Cities Fit for Children"
- Next meeting June 25th \*special meeting on the Opioid Crisis.

### 2.2 Committee Report – Special Needs Advisory Committee

- Watched one of Shelley Moore's 'Five Moore Minutes' called **Inclusion 2.0: Teaching to Diversity** which addresses the ongoing evolution of inclusion
- Inclusion aims to include kids with disabilities into classrooms by emphasizing how these placements can be meaningful and purposeful
- Classrooms are still operating in a standardized Curricular Model where the goal is to "teach to the green" (using one average approach) which is a retrograde approach that makes workload for teachers very high.
- Assumption with this approach is that the majority of our kids are already green, but this is no longer the case (more diverse, not less. Not just kids with disabilities who are different or in need of more support)
- Shift away from standardization towards a Standards Based Curriculum which understands all students follow a continuum of growth, rather than compared to a single marker of proficiency
- Call to action: It is still critical to advocate for resources, funding, and inclusive supports, but shift the conversation about how to better support teachers and students in these diverse

### 2.2 Committee Report – Primary Prevention Sub-Committee

- May 7<sup>th</sup> Presentation to Council on Childproofing Porn.
- June 7<sup>th</sup> Meeting with Mayor Popove & IT Staff
- Request to present to the School Board has been submitted, awaiting a response.
- Going forward the focus will be vaping.

### 2.2 Committee Report – Education Policy Advisory Committee (May 2<sup>nd</sup> & May 16<sup>th</sup>)



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- Policy 504 Ordinary Residents
- Policy 604 Library Learning Commons
- Policy 629 Career Programs
- Policy 534 Dress Code
- May 2<sup>nd</sup> - All policies were submitted to the board, only policy 504 was returned to EPAC for review
- May 16<sup>th</sup> – Policy 504 was cleaned up and re-presented to the board
- May 16<sup>th</sup> - Policy 534 was heavily debated. Many of us were unclear of the role of policy v. Administration regulations. There was much conversation with one member over how much we can ask of principals. We agreed to a policy based on what we were told we were able to do. Policy was forwarded to the Board. Policy was passed with amendments.

### 2.2 Committee Report – Social Media Committee

- Nothing new to report

### 2.2 Committee Report – Trustee Remuneration Committee

- The remuneration committee met twice to come up with a recommendation in regards to Trustee Remuneration.
- The recommendation was brought forth at the April 30<sup>th</sup>, 2019 board meeting and subsequently passed as an action item at the May 14<sup>th</sup>, 2019 board meeting.
- Details of the proposal are outlined below.



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### MANDATE:

The aim of the Committee was to review the remuneration and expense policies for the Chilliwack Board of Education and provide a recommendation to be received by the Board at a Public Board Meeting. Committee members were charged with considering current Board Policies 227: Trustee Remuneration and 228: Trustee Expenses, as well as the elimination of the federal tax-free portion of current remuneration.

### MEMBERSHIP:

The Ad Hoc Trustee Remuneration Committee was comprised of the following voting members:

- Two former Board of Education members: Walt Krahn (Chair) and Silvia Dyck (Vice Chair).
- Two DPAC representatives: Michelle McGrath (DPAC Vice Chair) and Jessica Clarke (DPAC Treasurer).
- Two community members: Don Davis and Glenn Froese.

### MEETING DATES:

The Trustee Remuneration Advisory Committee met on April 8 and April 23, 2019.

### BACKGROUND:

The following table provides a 2018 summary of remuneration in the 10 BC School Districts with between 10,000 and 20,000 enrolment.

	Medium-Sized Districts				SD33 Rate	% of Average	% of Median
	High Rate	Low Rate	Average	Median			
Trustee	\$ 25,344	\$ 15,000	\$ 20,401	\$ 20,701	\$ 19,293	95%	93%
Vice-Chair	\$ 26,542	\$ 16,000	\$ 21,605	\$ 22,003	\$ 20,258	94%	92%
Chair	\$ 28,001	\$ 17,000	\$ 23,096	\$ 23,303	\$ 21,223	92%	91%

Until January 1, 2019, up to one third of provincial and municipal elected officials' total compensation was tax exempt. Federal legislation passed in 2017 eliminated this tax exemption effective January 1, 2019. This change results in substantive changes to after tax compensation for provincial and municipal elected officials. An increase in remuneration of 8.3% would compensate Trustees for the difference in take home pay by bringing remuneration back to the level it was at are prior to the change in legislation.



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## RECOMMENDATIONS:

1. Move all trustees to 95% of the medium size BC school district average.
2. Increase remuneration for all trustees by 8.3%.
3. Continue the annual July 1 cost of living increase.
4. Attendance at the British Columbia School Trustees Association Annual General Meeting will be costed from the General Governance Budget rather than individual Trustees' Professional Development Accounts.
5. Revise Policy 227: Trustee Remuneration as per the recommendations that are adopted by the Board.
6. Clarify and revise Items #1, #3 and #10 of Policy 228: Trustee Expenses.
7. Trustees are responsible for their own extended health and pension benefits (extension of item #5 in Policy 228: Trustee Expenses).
8. Adjusted trustee remuneration will become effective January 1, 2019.
9. Establish a timeline for the next review(s) of trustee remuneration and expenses as per Policy 200: Development of Policies and Regulations – "The Board shall review its policies annually and will endeavor to review any policy within five years."

The table below provides a comparison of current trustee remuneration with the remuneration recommended by the Trustee Remuneration Committee.

	Current Stipend	Adjust to 95% <sup>(1)</sup>	Adjust for Average Tax Change (8.3%)	Adjusted Total Stipend	% Increase
Trustee	\$19,293	\$88	\$1,609	\$20,990	8.8%
Vice Chair	\$20,258	\$267	\$1,704	\$22,229	9.7%
Chair	\$21,223	\$718	\$1,821	\$23,762	12.0%

<sup>(1)</sup> 95% of the average stipends paid by the ten (10) medium sized (enrolment between 10,000 and 20,000) BC school districts

## 2.3 BCCPAC Report

- See Chairs Report

## 2.4 Treasurers Report

- Gaming Balance: \$4,342.38 (as at April 30<sup>th</sup>, 2019)
- General Balance: \$589.46 (as at April 30<sup>th</sup>, 2019)



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### 2.5 CHAIRS & BCCPAC REPORT – Diane Braun

**Please note these reports have been combined this meeting as the chairs report focused on the BCCPAC AGM & Conference.**

- **Opening Keynote** – Dr Shimi Kang “The Dolphin Way of Raising Healthy, Happy, and Self-Motivated Kids.”
- More info at [www.drshimikang.com](http://www.drshimikang.com) and [www.dolphinkids.ca](http://www.dolphinkids.ca)

#### Treasurer and Gaming Bootcamp

- Gaming issues \$140 million dollars in grants annually
  - \$135 million in community gaming grants
  - \$5 million in capital grants
- Funded from gaming revenue
- \$20/student for PACs and \$2500 per DPAC. Last year they had not used up their budget so that is why we had a bit more.
- Application period is April- June
- Notification is by September 30
- People can apply late if they have missed the deadline but there is no guarantee they will be awarded any money
- Money is supposed to be used for everybody (shared among the community) not just a small group of kids
- Gaming grants cannot be used for digital reader boards, smart boards or tablets
- Capital grants require matching funds
  - Not eligible for playground costs
  - Can be used for outdoor learning spaces, agricultural spaces, batting cages
  - Running track may be eligible, if in doubt submit an application
  - Intake for capital grants is June 1- July 31
  - Notifications are on October 31<sup>st</sup>
- BCCPAC Conference can come out of DPAC gaming but not the AGM and neither can currently be used for PACs.

#### Plenary Session with Senior Officials from the Ministry of Education

- ERASE website has been revamped with a new SOGI 3-year plan, indigenous lens, and translations into mandarin and Punjabi
- Dr. Tyler Black says that the biggest stressor for kids is school
- There is a School District lead for children and youth in care. We should find out who the lead is for Chilliwack.
- The Early Learning Framework has been refreshed and is due to be released shortly.
- There will be a parent document that will accompany it called “Let’s Play”
- A major focus will be strengthening the early years to kindergarten transitions.
- Some of the benefits of using the family portal include
  - Report card published on the portal so all parents could easily access
  - Student assignments can be viewed on the portal
  - Absences can be viewed



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- Academic progress can be tracked
- Course selection can be accessed

### Rob Fleming, Minister of Education

- New 10-12 curriculum roll-out this fall
- Looking at parent skills development on ERASE website
- Haida Gwaii is doing early immersion in aboriginal language
- PISA results are good
- OECD invited BC to host 23 industrialized nations for its conference because of our exemplary system.
- There will be a Fall childcare summit that will be expanded to include conversations about Out of School Care
- There has been an 85% increase in out of province applicants on make a future and another 48 applicants from France and Belgium.
- Dr Almas from UBC HELP will do presentations on social/emotional learning for DPACs
- Mentioned that they are looking at cleaning up section 11 of the school act with the deputy minister

### Katrina Chen, Minister of State for Child Care

- Continuing the work force development fund, distributed through ECEBC to cover travel, pro-d and child care costs for child care providers currently in the field to help retain staff.
- There will be another \$1/hour wage increase next year

### AGM

- 51 cities and 42 school districts were represented at AGM
- Some DPACs offer a fall conference for their PACs
- COPAC attends PAC meetings to explain the importance of joining DPAC/BCCPAC
- Some DPACs refuse to send emails out to schools that are not using their SD email account.

### Results of Elections

- President (1-Year term) Andrea Sinclair, Vancouver
- 1<sup>st</sup> Vice-President (2-Year term) Sarah Holland, Prince George
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice-President (1-Year term) Melissa Pritchard, Sooke
- Treasurer (2-Year term) Gillian Burnett, Prince George
- Director (2-Year term) Ashley Sonosky, Saanich, Kerri Schill, Central Okanagan
- Director (1-Year term) Valerie Newbreast, Kamloops Thompson

### Board Reports

- Can be viewed in BCCPAC AGM booklet on the website. <https://bccpac.bc.ca/>





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### Resolutions

- Diane reviewed only the defeated resolutions. A full list of the passed resolutions can be found on the BCCPAC website. <https://bccpac.bc.ca/>

### 3 UNFINISHED BUSINESS – No business carried over from last meeting.

### 4 NEW BUSINESS

**4.1 Elections** – Bonnie ran the DPAC AGM Elections. The following is the newly elected executive for the 2019/2020 school year:

**Chair** – Diane Braun

**Vice Chair** – Michelle McGrath

**Secretary** – Alicia Fleetham

**Treasurer** – Heather Attridge

**BCCPAC Representative** – Jessica Clarke

**Member at Large** – Meghan Reid

**Member at Large** – Christine Goodman

- **MOVED** by Karen that the ballots from this election be destroyed. 2<sup>nd</sup> Debbie **CARRIED**
- **MOVED** by Chad that Michelle McGrath & Jessica Clarke be REMOVED as signatories on the bank account and that Heather Attridge & Alicia Fleetham be ADDED. 2<sup>nd</sup> Christine **CARRIED**

**4.2 Committee Expressions of Interest** – Committee Expressions of Interest forms were distributed for the 2019/2020 school year.

**4.3 Goal for 2019/2020** – Round Table Feedback on things parents would like to see in the coming year.

- Vaping/Social Media Information for students (not parents)
- More work on supporting PAC Treasurers
- Increased membership in DPAC
- Continued Improvements on Communications with the District
- School Budget Information, additional details to be included in PAC 101
- Increased communications from DPAC directly to ALL parents as opposed to just DPAC reps cycling information back to the schools.
- Shelley Moore presentation in the District
- Spreading the word more about DPACs role in the district to parents and PACs



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- Ensure there is parent involvement in the dress code discussions at the schools. Not just PAC parents, but ALL parents.
- Opioid Crisis, is there a role for DPAC to play in conjunction with Primary Prevention. Front line staff being trained?

**4.4 DPAC Membership Fee** – DPAC Executive would like to implement a PAC Membership fee for the 2019/2020 School Year. The DRAFT document was distributed to the membership for feedback. Response was positive, we will go ahead with this next year. The letter below will be sent out with the BCCPAC Registration Form.

### **DRAFT DOCUMENT**

September 7, 2019



#### **ATTENTION: ALL SCHOOL DISTRICT 33 PACS**

This year the DPAC is reaching out to school PACs in the District to see if they would be willing to pay a suggested membership fee of \$25.00 to DPAC in order to help us put on more events throughout the year for parents.

#### **DPAC receives two sources of funding each year:**

1. A \$2,500 Gaming Grant
2. A \$1,500 Travel Subsidy from the Board of Education to attend the BCCPAC AGM & Conference.

#### **The gaming grant only has three eligible uses as follows:**

Eligible use of funding for DPACs DPAC funding is intended to benefit students by supporting activities that foster parental involvement in the schools and effective communication between schools, parents, students and the community. Eligible uses of DPAC funding include:

- Parental informational and promotional materials;
- Administrative costs, including British Columbia Confederation of Parent Advisory Councils (BCCPAC) membership fees; and
- Travel for regular DPAC meetings.



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Due to the restrictions placed on us by the Gaming Branch we are unable to provide beverages & snacks at presentations to help entice greater parent participation.

**In exchange for the membership fee PACs will receive the following:**

- \$75 Paid Membership to BCCPAC
- Free PAC 101 Evening for PAC Executives (Light Snacks and Beverages Provided)
- Free Parent Presentation (Last year was White Hatter at a Cost of \$1,200 to DPAC)

If your PAC would like to contribute please send payment of \$25.00 payable to School District 33 DPAC with your completed BCCPAC Membership Registration to the next DPAC Meeting with your DPAC Rep. Deadline for Submissions is November 30<sup>th</sup>, 2019.

If you have any questions please feel free to reach out to me at [dpacvp@sd33.bc.ca](mailto:dpacvp@sd33.bc.ca).

**5 DATE OF NEXT MEETING: September 26, 2019 AT 7:00 PM AT THE BOARD OFFICE**  
**NEXT BOARD MEETING: June 18, 2019 AT 7:00 PM AT THE BOARD OFFICE**

**6 AJOURNMENT: 8:52**