



DPAC General Meeting February 24, 2022 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 January 27th 2022 General Meeting be approved as circulated.)

2) **REPORTS**

- Trustee Report
- District 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

3) **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

4.1 Sexual Health Education

4.2 Transmountain Pipeline Expansion

4.3 DPAC Indigenous Executive Position

- MOTION: THAT the SD33 Chilliwack DPAC's Constitution and Bylaws be amended as presented to add an Indigenous Executive Position

4) **ROUNDTABLE – PAC Code of Ethics and PAC Social Media Guidelines**

5) **DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

- DPAC General Meeting April 21, 2022 at 7pm via Zoom

6) **ADJOURNMENT**

Alicia Fleetham

DPAC Chair



Members Present:

Alicia Fleetham	DPAC Chair
Diane Braun	DPAC Vice Chair
Katie Bartel	DPAC Secretary
Jessica Clarke	DPAC Treasurer
Meghan Reid	DPAC BCCPAC Rep & Sardis Secondary DPAC Rep
Elizabeth Beacom	DPAC Member at Large & Watson Elem DPAC Rep
Anders Lunde	DPAC Member at Large
Margaret Reid	Cheam DPAC Rep
Heather Wootton	Leary IAT DPAC Rep
Vrushali Khot	Little Mountain DPAC Rep
Matthew Stevenson	McCammon DPAC Rep
Kimberly Gladstone	Promontory Community DPAC Rep
Joanne Johnson	Robertson DPAC Rep
Shannon Burnett	Rosedale Community DPAC Rep
Angela Wilkinson	Vedder Elementary DPAC Rep
Tanya Rath	AD Rundle Middle DPAC Rep
Jaimie Benton	Chilliwack Middle DPAC Rep
Amanda Goudreault	Chilliwack Secondary DPAC Rep
Crystal Menzies	Parent/Caregiver
Heather Attridge	Parent/Caregiver
Stacey Gould	Parent/Caregiver

Guests Present:

David Swankey, SD33 Trustee Liaison
David Manuel, Director of Instruction
Brenda Point, District Principal of Indigenous Education

1. CALL TO ORDER @ 7:02pm

- 1.1. Introduction Ensure Quorum
 - Quorum of members met
- 1.2. Adoption of Agenda
 - **MOTION** by Jaime Benton THAT the agenda be adopted as circulated.
 - Seconded by Elizabeth Beacom - APPROVED
- 1.3. Approval of Minutes
 - Corrected date on the minutes from November 24th to the actual date of the meeting which was November 25th.
 - **MOTION** by Meghan Reid THAT the minutes of the November 25th general meeting be approved as amended.



- Seconded by Elizabeth Beacom - APPROVED

2. SPECIAL PRESENTATION – District Administration Report

- 2.1. Dave Manuel and Brenda Point presented on the District Equity Scan.
- The Equity Scan was a pilot project from the ministry to look at equitable experiences and educational activities for indigenous students with the goal of creating conditions that aid in the success of indigenous students and identify where there are gaps. Chilliwack school district is two years into this process.
 - Equity scan team was put in place and consults district educators, indigenous parents, and students. The scan focuses on four areas that are believed to be pillars of student success and achievement - Policy and Governance, Pedagogical Core, Learning Profile and Learning Environment.
 - Last year the focus was on the Pedagogical Core where the district looked for culturally relevant practices that include indigenous perspectives and views, and connections to families and communities; as well as the Learning Environment where the district looked for implicit bias, motivating activities, and how the district is creating confident learners.
 - This year the district is focusing on Policy and Governance and Learning Profile. The district is exploring how are the policies and governance are serving indigenous students and if they are reflective of the goals and commitments set forth, along with looking for personalized and evidence informed learning, timely supports and space for reflective practice.
 - District staff meetings are held monthly to go through questions and compile data through discussion and surveys.
 - The pandemic has added a challenge and the equity scan team has been unable to bring families together, but the team is working towards their goal to gather information from families.

3. REPORTS

3.1. Trustee Report

- Board Elections were held in December as per policy. Trustee Mumford is now serving as Chair and Trustee Reichelt is now serving as Vice Chair.
- The Board has passed additional policy amendments and sent some back to EPAC where the work is being done with partner representation. Of note are policies 220 PACs and 221 DPAC were both passed and found on the district website. <https://sd33.bc.ca/board-policies>
- A report from staff outlined the impact of the flooding and an approximate \$100,000 in mostly operational costs to the district, for such things as staff transportation and hotel, during the highway closure.



These costs have been tracked and reported to the Ministry of Education, at this time there is no commitment from the government to cover the costs. Currently the amended budget on the board table does not include these costs either.

- The Board endorsed the Coalition for Healthy School Food (previously endorsed by Bowls of Hope and the BCSTA)
- The amended budget was presented, and final approval is expected at the February school board meeting.
- The draft of the Long-Range Facilities Plan was presented to the board following community input. A final draft will be presented to the board for consideration/adoption.
- DPAC's role is, in part, to advise the Board, and the composition of the board will be renewed in a general election this year. Municipal elections are scheduled for this fall, including elections for school board trustees.
 - The past four years have seen not just a general election but also a costly recount and an expensive by-election which were all costs borne by the district. For Budget committee members or key observers, this should be a budget line item in the coming budget for 2022-2023, presented by staff this spring.

3.2. **Committee Reports**

- **Chilliwack Youth Committee (CYC)**
 - Communities Building Youth Futures will be hosting a public skateboarding session for youth July 9, 2022. There will be community service providers present to reach all youth about services available. <https://www.comserv.bc.ca/youth-recreation>
 - Primary Prevention is restarting with Levi Bailey as Chair. The DPAC rep position is currently vacant. If any parents are interested, please let DPAC know
 - Chilliwack Family Resource Guide has been updated for 2022 and posted on DPAC Facebook page.
 - CYC is planning Conversation on Chilliwack's Children for Apr 26-29. The theme is Reconnection, Reflection + Reconciliation. For save the date poster see Attachment #1
 - Chilliwack Learning Society story walk is being held Jan 17- 30 inside Chilliwack library with prizes to be won.
 - Big Brothers Big Sisters looking for more male mentors.
 - Chilliwack Learning Society has lots of tutoring support available <https://chilliwacklearning.com/>



- Chilliwack Community Services Youth recreation free programming for 9-19 years old is posted on their website <https://www.comserv.bc.ca/youth-recreation/>
 - Traverse, a residential treatment program for youth 13-18 who want to work towards a healthier life by reducing substance use and improving mental health, currently has vacant beds available. <https://pcrs.ca/our-services/fraser-region-youth-addiction-treatment-centre/>
 - DPAC is looking for a parent volunteer to represent DPAC on CYC committee. Please reach out to dpac@sd33.bc.ca with any interest
- **Middle Years Committee (MYC)**
 - Because of the floods there was a low turnout for the December meeting held at the beginning of December. A small informal discussion was had with the few members that were there.
 - January meeting was held Jan 26th, but Alicia could not attend.
 - DPAC is looking for a parent volunteer to represent DPAC on this committee. Please reach out to dpac@sd33.bc.ca for more information.
- **Chilliwack Healthier Committee (CHC)**
 - Nothing to report at this time
- **Sexuality and Gender Equality Committee (SAGE)**
 - SAGE is hosting Jackie Oldhaver to present on the April 29 Pro-D Day.
 - Kathy Preivisch is the new SOGI lead for SD33
 - March 31 is Trans Day of Visibility. SAGE was hoping to do something in support but since it falls during Spring Break SAGE plans to recognize the Day of Silence on April 8th. The Day of Silence is a national student-led demonstration where LGBTQ students and allies around the world take a vow of silence to protest the harmful effects of harassment and discrimination of LGBTQ people in schools. Through the GLSEN website, SAGE plans to send materials and stickers out to the community for awareness.
 - DPAC is looking for a PAC volunteer to represent DPAC on this committee. Please reach out to dpac@sd33.bc.ca for more information.



- **Advisory Committee for Inclusive Education (ACIE)**

- There was discussion by committee members on Competency based IEPs and the need for consistent communication to parents and staff which is magnified by the plans to use the family of school's model for the roll out. Education for parents on common language used around competency-based IEPs, as well as consistency of that language is also needed.
- Other districts have competency-based IEPs already in place but SD33 has chosen to do a slower start. They should be in full use next year. Parents would like information on the changes in advance.
- Transitioning students and their IEPs effectively through all levels of school was discussed and the concern that the competency-based IEPs are modeled to take 45mins was mentioned by staff. The historic 30 min IEP's SD33 has been doing is a concern for scheduling and the TOC budget.
- Social Inclusion was on the agenda, but time ran out. Shelley Moore's 5-Moore Minutes video was around the role of peers in inclusion. Feel free to share with your PAC members to get discussion and questions going. <https://youtu.be/OuZRZXTraHA>
- DPAC is looking for a parent volunteers for the Indigenous, Alternative Education and Secondary seats on this committee. Please reach out to dpac@sd33.bc.ca for more information.

- **Budget Committee**

- Trustee Heather Maahs as the new chair and the current revised budget was discussed at the last meeting.
 - The \$1.4 million deficit was covered by the restricted reserve.
 - Inflation is a big concern as the Ministry of funding is not meeting the increased demands. If enrollment stays the same, an additional \$1.5 million in funds will be needed again next year.
 - The district paid for some staff transportation and hotel costs during the flood, the district has applied for reimbursement of those costs from the government.
- The Feb 3rd meeting will discuss the second quarter financials of the district budget.



- The amended budget for the current year will need to be passed by the end of February.

- **Educational Policy Advisory Committee (EPAC)**

- EPAC is a committee of partners in learning that discuss and recommend policies to the school board for adoption. If a policy is not adopted by the board, it is sent back to the committee to discuss and make recommendations. District admin then revises the policy based on committee feedback, presents it again to committee before being sent on to the board for consideration.
- The last three policies EPAC passed to the Board were sent back to EPAC – 280-Smudging, 290-Historical Records Preservation, Advertising in schools.
- Advertising in schools was not approved by the board and sent back to district staff for further revisions.
- The next three policies on the list to discuss are 320-School Admission and Choice, 321-Ordinarily Resident and Non- Resident Students, and 322-International Student Program.

3.3.

- **BC Confederation of Parent Advisory Councils Report (BCCPAC)**

- BCCPAC is offering Understanding Your PAC from A-Z webinar on February 10, 2022, at 7pm
 - <https://bccpac.bc.ca/index.php/conferences/webinar-220210>
- Special Resolutions are due for submission January 31 and Ordinary Resolutions are due Feb 28
 - Please read the Resolution Guide and Policy Guide on the BCCPAC website. AGM April 30th is booked for an in-person event
- Member Award nominations are due Feb 28. The nomination criteria can be found on BCCPACs website.
- BCCPAC Board of Director seats are open for nominations until Feb 28.
- Gaming grants have opened for next year for PACs who would like to get a head start.
- January assessments grade 10 and 12 students for Literacy 10, Numeracy 10, Literacy 12 have been cancelled due to work force capacity issues. Opportunities to write have been postponed until April and June.



- PACs should be signed up for the BCCPAC newsletter and sharing to PAC members and visit www.bccpac.bc.ca for updated information, resources, and guidance.

3.4. Treasure Report

- See Attachment #2
- No changes since November meeting
- As of December 30, 2021:
 - Gaming Account balance after commitments is \$7656.76
 - General account balance after commitments is \$2506.92

3.5. Chair's Report

- There have been lots of changes and questions about functional closures, covid, school staff etc. District is collecting and reviewing student absentee data.
 - If a functional closure occurs students shift to remote learning. There is no requirement to accommodate students of essential workers and those with diverse needs with in-person learning.
 - The district has suggested parents contact their school admin to identify different needs of their child in the event of a functional closure
 - Please circulate the document below and refer further questions to the school admin or DPAC.
<https://www2.gov.bc.ca/assets/gov/education/administration/kindeergarten-to-grade-12/safe-caring-orderly/covid-19-protocols-for-administrators.pdf>
- The childcare initiative is still being worked on at the provincial level. Its expected there will be further information available on this next school year.
- DPAC hopes to meet with CTA meeting in February. If there are any questions parents would like to bring forth, please email them to DPAC.
- Registration has opened for the Integrated Arts Program. Three levels of programming available at Leary for k-5, ADR in their IAT Cohort 6-8 and Imagine High 9-12. This is a choice program available on a first come first serve basis, some grades are full so if you are interested it's recommended to submit registration ASAP, gr 12 will not be available until next year.
 - An integrated arts and technology approach uses the BC Curriculum but in a manner that encourages curiosity, open-mindedness, and a willingness to think "outside the box." If your child is creative, likes to learn by doing, and has a passion or



strong interest in the arts or technology, plan to attend one of our information Townhalls. If parents are unable to attend the townhall and would like more information, feel free to reach out to the school admin at the respective site of your interest.

- DPAC will be striking a nomination committee in the coming months in advance of the election and AGM. DPAC will be accepting nominations for all positions so please let your PAC membership know to start considering interest now.
- The school district has filed objections to the right of entry and blanket easement rights application made by Transmountain for VMS and Watson. There was no communication from the district to DPAC about this despite a commitment to do so. DPAC was informed by Ian from Water Wealth of the exchange of legal filings with the CER.
 - There was a commitment by TMP at the route hearing to only carry out construction only during the months of July and August. This is not present in the current application. Construction during the school year would be very disruptive to learning, playing and traffic around the schools.
 - DPAC is asking PAC's in close proximity to the pipeline to continue to have conversations about the impacts the TMP will have on your school communities with parents and school admin especially at monthly PAC meetings.

4. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

4.1. Sexual Health Education

- Info and the registration form will be sent out to PACs and on Facebook for the Talk About Sex presentation by Saleema Noon which will be held on March 8 at 6:30-8pm on Zoom.
- A third school has shown interest in accessing Saleema Noon's Body Science online access. With support for DPAC to give additional funds to support this the motion was called.
- MOTION by Shannon Burnett THAT DPAC spent \$400 to provide access to Saleema Noon's Body Science Online Program for an additional school this year.
 - Seconded by Tanya Rath – MOTION CARRIES
- Unsworth, Rosedale and Sardis El. will be provided with 30 days access to Saleema Noon's online parent programming when their schools select the dates.

5. NEW BUSINESS



5.1. DPAC Indigenous Executive Position

- DPAC would like to propose the creation of a DPAC indigenous executive position to our membership as one of many steps needed to recognize and expand on the diversity of DPAC, work towards taking action on truth and reconciliation and building meaningful relationships with indigenous families within our community and ensure they reflect the inclusivity that DPAC wishes to represent across the district. For this position DPAC would ideally like for this individual to represent DPAC on the Districts Indigenous education committee and liaise between the two.
- DPAC asks that reps to take this to their PACs for discussion and be prepared to vote on the motion at our February DPAC meeting.

6. ROUNDTABLE –

6.1. School Safety Plans

- Each school was required to update their school safety plan and make plans posted on their website in January. PACs can follow up with their school admin with any further questions or concerns.
- Many school plans vary especially with sports, extracurricular activities, clubs, class field trips, parent access to inside the school, student access to bathrooms, hallways and playground space and ability to run hot lunch programs.
 - DPAC reps advised that in most schools few changes have been made:
 - Clubs and sports are carrying on as normal; PAC volunteer access to the school is still limited in most schools but open and active in others; hot lunch is still carrying on in most schools with admin assistance, but some took a break in January; Most PAC meetings have moved to online only; Hall traffic has been altered in most schools with continuing or implementing staggered entry and breaks and direction guidance; Most clubs have not been interrupted but some have gone online; Some field trips are happening but this is not equal across the district.
 - DPAC raised concerns about the discrepancies between plans and how it created inequity for students and families' ability to access various aspects of school. The district has given each school autonomy to make their own safety plans while following ministry guidelines. DPAC encourages PACs to discuss items of importance with their school admin.
- Questions about school emergency preparedness were brought forward, in the wake of the floods and ice storm. This remains an ongoing grey area for PACs with little direction from the district or ministry. Many



school's emergency preparedness kits are understocked or expired. School admin often suggest PACs pay for emergency supplies but this responsibility lies solely on the district as an employer to provide schools funding for these items and for school admin to budget these funds accordingly.

- DPAC encourages PACs to open this discussion with their admin, review their kits and this document from the ministry: <https://www2.gov.bc.ca/assets/gov/education/administration/kindeergarten-to-grade-12/safe-caring-orderly/emergency-management-guide.pdf>
- PACs should also ensure the school admin are presenting their annual school budget in the fall and spring per district policy

7. DATES OF UPCOMING MEETINGS

- 7.1. DPAC General Meeting February 24, 2022 at 7pm via Zoom

8. ADJOURNMENT @ 9:07pm

Prepared By:

x *Katie Bartel*

Katie Bartel
DPAC Secretary

Draft Approved By:

x *Alicia Fleetham*

Alicia Fleetham
DPAC Chair



Attachment #1



Save the Date!



CYC 30th Annual Conversation on Children and Youth

Theme: Reconnection, Reflection, and Reconciliation

April 26th: Wine & Cheese Event
April 27th and 28th: Virtual/in-person workshops
April 29th: Closing Lunch

Location: Chilliwack Curling Club & Virtual





Attachment #2

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

	Gaming Account 1465970	General Account 1465954
Bank Balance as at July 1st, 2021	6,007.24	2,006.92
2020/21 Province of BC DPAC Grant	2,500.00	
Donation		500.00
SD33 BCCPAC Conference		
Total Funds Available	8,507.24	2,506.92
Expenditures Paid		
<u>BCCPAC Membership Fees</u>		
<u>DPAC Workshop Costs</u>		
<u>Miscellaneous Expenses</u>		
<i>Heather Attridge</i> Suzanne P. IEP Presentation <i>Cheque #88</i>	250.00	
<i>Saleema Noon</i> Sexual Health Workshop 2022 <i>Cheque #89</i>	367.50	
<i>Alicia Fleetham</i> BCEdAccess Advocon <i>Cheque #90</i>	48.99	
<i>Katie Bartel</i> BCEdAccess Advocon <i>Cheque #91</i>	33.99	
<i>Jessica Clarke</i> BCCPAC Membership <i>Cheque #92</i>	150.00	
Total Expenditures	850.48	-
Closing Bank Balance December 31, 2021	\$ 7,656.76	\$ 2,506.92
<u>Expenditures Committed:</u>		
Total Commitments on Account	-	-
NET Adjusted Bank Balance	\$ 7,656.76	\$ 2,506.92