



SD33 DPAC GENERAL MEETING AGENDA

for September 26th, 2024, at 7 pm

HELD In Person at the School Board Office and on ZOOM

<https://sd33-ca.zoom.us/meeting/register/u50odeyuqzwjE9HQJ-9GfWKYVL4an8wEsCfC>

1. WELCOME

2. SPECIAL GUESTS

- 2.1. Rick Joe
- 2.2. Peggy Janicki author of "The Secret Pocket", a true story about her grandmother's life in Lejac residential school.

3. CALL TO ORDER

- 3.1. Adoption of Agenda
- 3.2. Approval of May 30th, 2024, Annual General Meeting minutes

4. INFORMATION ITEMS

- 4.1. Chair Report
- 4.2. Trustee Report
- 4.3. Treasurer Report
- 4.4. BCCPAC Report
- 4.5. Committee Highlights

5. NEW BUSINESS

- 5.1. DPAC Priorities and Action Plan
- 5.2. DPAC Events and Meeting Structure
- 5.3. DPAC Budget Proposal
 - THAT the 2024-2025 Budget be approved as distributed.
- 5.4. No Space for Hate Open letter
 - THAT Chilliwack DPAC sign and attach our support to the No Space for Hate open letter, taking a public and united stance with DPACs across the province.

6. DATES OF UPCOMING MEETINGS

- 6.1. Halkomelem Language Class – October 23rd, 2024 @ 7:30pm
 - Online via Zoom - <https://sd33-ca.zoom.us/meeting/register/u5lpdOCqT4uEtcj0zQUUwhCn1Dd1EWsfBz2>
- 6.2. General Meeting – October 24th, 2024 @ 7pm
 - In person at the School Board office and online via Zoom - <https://sd33-ca.zoom.us/meeting/register/u50odeyuqzwjE9HQJ-9GfWKYVL4an8wEsCfC>

7. ADJOURNMENT



SD33 DPAC GENERAL MEETING MINUTES
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HELD HYBRID – NLC Alumni Room and on Zoom

Members Present:	Katie Bartel	DPAC Chair & ADR DPAC Rep
	Meghan Reid	DPAC Vice Chair & SSS DPAC Rep (online)
	Jessica Clarke	DPAC Secretary
	Stacey Gould	DPAC Secretary & Sitos DPAC Rep
	Deirdre O'Connor	DPAC Member at Large & Promontory DPAC Rep
	Vrushali Khot	DPAC Member at Large
	Cary Moore	DPAC Indigenous Rep
	Erin Enns	DPAC BCCPAC Rep
	Matthew Stevenson	McCammon DPAC Rep
	Tai Weatherhead	VMS DPAC Rep
	Sher Grater	Cultus DPAC Rep (online)
	Kristen Kelm	GW Graham DPAC Rep (online)
	Kara Vanleeuwen	DPAC Rep Tyson
	Tanya Cannon	Cheam DPAC Rep
	Kendy Michaloski	Sardis Elementary DPAC Rep
	Gina Phillips	Imagine DPAC Rep
	Jaime Kampman	Yarrow DPAC Rep (online)
	Karine Lemay	Rosedale DPAC Rep
	Marina Garmon	LME DPAC Rep
	Angela Wilkinson	Vedder Elementary DPAC Rep

Parents Present: Meagan Heinrichs (online), David Swankey, Jessie Kik, Tianna MacFarlane, Selina Derish, Josh Cahoon, Jackie Mitchell, Aggie Malecki, Tami Robinson (online), Lauren Mitchell (online), Elizabeth Beacom (online), Heather Attridge (online), Melissa Hill (online), Melissa Benz (online), Talanna McNally (online), Jen Hooge (online)

Trustee Liaison: Teri Westerby

Guests: Rick Joe, Jared Mumford and Shantini Klaassen

1. CALL TO ORDER (@7:10)

- 1.1. Welcome
- 1.2. Rick Joe's Welcome
 - Sang Heartbeat. Heartbeat of the nation. DPAC is the heartbeat of parents in our school district.
- 1.3. Adoption of Agenda
 - Gina MOTION THAT the Agenda be adopted as circulated.



- Kendy Michaloski SECONDS.
- 1.4. Approval of Minutes
- Cary Moore MOTION THAT the minutes be adopted as circulated.
- Kristen Kelm SECONDS.

2. REPORTS

2.1.

Chair Report

- Katie attended the BCCPAC Conference, which included a nearly 12-hour AGM. It was amazing to see the impact parents can have through our legislated voices at a provincial level. BCCPAC holds seats at the provincial table and through our attendance and proxy votes we get to debate and discuss issues affecting public education across the province.
- Katie has a great working relationship with the Chilliwack Teachers Association and they invited her to attend the BCTF Parent Conference. What strikes me most about this conference is how partners can come together to collaborate and support each other. They hosted workshops on how parents can advocate effectively, media safety, transgender and autistic experiences within our school system.
- AGM Report I wanted to highlight some of the work we have done this year. I'm so thankful to our incredible DPAC team who works collaboratively, transparently and inclusively. We don't all agree on everything which I really value. It pushes us to do things better and represent the parents well. It's an honor to be on a team that prioritizes the best interests of the PACs, parents, students and public education. We all have our strengths and weaknesses which really complement each other, and I've been honored, supported and challenged by everyone on the Executive this year.
- Thank you to Stacey for all the admin work she does. She is working on a full end of year report for everyone that will highlight much of the work completed by DPAC this year. Jessica has been our treasurer and manages all our spending and is our representative at those Budget meetings no one ever wants to go to. Erin has brought a wealth of knowledge and professionalism and supported me in meetings with the District and CTA. Carey has been navigating his way in a seat that is still being developed and ensures we consider different perspectives. Deirdre remembers everything, runs our social media and supports us in district meetings when available. Vrushali has been an intelligent and calming voice in the group and thankfully handles our tech in meetings.



- Meghan Reid has become stretched too thin to put her name forward this year. Personally, Katie is sad to lose her. Meghan has committed countless hours to DPAC over the years, advocating, and supporting the parents of this district. She has been Katie’s teacher and sounding board for two years now and we had hoped to have one more year together. From the bottom of Katie’s heart and on behalf of the parents of this District - thank you.

2.2. **Trustee Report**

- Early Learning is rolling out. Early Years Fair was a great success (May 15, 2024).

2.3. **Treasurer Report**

- See Appendix I.

2.4. **Committee Reports**

- **Community Committees**

2.4..1. **Chilliwack Healthier Communities Committee (CHC)**

2.4..2. **Chilliwack Youth Committee (CYC)**

- ◆ No rep. Volunteers are always welcome.
- ◆ Early years fair – big success.
- ◆ Nicole Driscoll manages.
- ◆ Meetings will be in-person and held in July and August

2.4..3. **Sexuality and Gender Equality Committee (SAGE)**

- ◆ Last meeting didn’t happen.

- **District Committees**

2.4..4. **Advisory Committee for Inclusive Education (ACIE)**

- ◆ Didn’t meet this month.

2.4..5. **Budget Committee**

- ◆ Met May 9th.
- ◆ Spoke about budget presentation from April.
- ◆ Wasn’t a lot of business that happened.
- ◆ Meeting again in fall.

2.4..6. **Education Policy Advisory Committee (EPAC)**

- ◆ Not currently meeting.

2.4..7. **Inclusion, Diversity, Equity and Accessibility Committee (IDEA)**

- ◆ Brought forward by the district.
- ◆ [Home | inclusiveschools.sd33.bc.ca](https://inclusiveschools.sd33.bc.ca)

- **DPAC Committees**

2.4..8. **BCCPAC**



- ◆ Katie and Gina attended the BCCPAC AGM. Results can be found here [AGM \(bccpac.bc.ca\)](http://bccpac.bc.ca)
- ◆ Community Gaming Grant online class can be watched here - <https://bccpac.bc.ca/index.php/events/2024-04-webinar>. Applications are due by June 30th. No late applications.
- ◆ Online treasurer class was canceled but information can be found in the Leadership Manual here [Leadership Manual \(bccpac.bc.ca\)](http://bccpac.bc.ca)

2.4..9. **Emergency Preparedness Committee**

- ◆ On hold

3. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

3.1. C&B Proposed Updates

- Current C&Bs - [DPAC C&B \(sd33.bc.ca\)](http://sd33.bc.ca)
- Red Letter copy as circulated
- Final proposed version with amendments as circulated.
- We focused on removing electronic meeting section. It conflicts with how to do the hybrid meetings and update Indig rep title and duties. Current language was brought in by BCCPAC, but wasn't locally grounded.
- There will be a full overhaul next year and a committee will be established.
- Deirdre MOTIONS THAT section 3 (page 5 with track changes) of the final proposed version with amendments be amended to reflect DPAC Executive names and definitions.
 - 3.1..1. Cary seconds.
 - 3.1..2. Passes unanimously.
- Gina MOTIONS THAT the final proposed version with amendments as circulated be adopted with the additional amendments Deidre motioned.
 - 3.1..1. Matt Stevenson seconds.
 - 3.1..2. Passes unanimously

4. NEW BUSINESS

4.1. 2024/2025 DPAC Meetings

- Would parents like more presentations during DPAC meetings or keep it to business and host presentations separately?
- Majority like to have the presentations.



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- 4.2. DPAC Elections
- Chair – Katie Bartel
 - Vice Chair – Deirdre O’Connor
 - Secretary – Stacey Gould
 - Treasurer – Jessica Clarke
 - Indigenous Liaison – Gina Phillips
 - MAL 1 – Vrushali Khot
 - MAL2 – Matthew Stevenson

- 4.3. Destroy ballots
- Gina Phillips MOTIONS THAT the Ballots be destroyed.
 - Deirdre SECONDS.
 - Passes - unanimous

5. DATES OF UPCOMING MEETINGS

- 5.1. September 26th, 2024 – DPAC General Meeting

6. ADJOURNMENT (@9:07)

x Stacey Gould

Stacey Gould
DPAC Secretary

x Katie Bartel

Katie Bartel
DPAC Chair



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APPENDIX I - DPAC Budget (May 2024)

STATEMENT OF REVENUES AND EXPEDITURES
 JULY 1, 2023- JUNE 30TH, 2024

	Gaming Account 1465970		General Account 1465954	
	Budget	Actual	Budget	Actual
Bank Balance as at July 1st, 2023	1955.38	1,955.38	4,852.82	4,852.82
2023/24 Province of BC DPAC Grant	2,500.00	2,500.00		
Donation				
DPAC Summit Mileage Reimbursement				136.64
BCCPAC Conference Mileage Reimbursement				
SD33 Funding			5,000.00	5,000.00
Total Funds Available	4,455.38	4,455.38	9,852.82	9,989.46
Expenditures Paid				
BCCPAC Membership Fees	150			
Jessica Clar chq#104		150		
Miscellaneous Office Supplies & Printing Costs	500			
Miscellaneous Software Costs	500			
BCCPAC Conference			2,000.00	
Katie Barte chq#77				648
BCCPAC Conference Travel Expenses	500			
BCCPAC DPAC Summit			1,170.00	
Katie Barte chq#70				970
Katie Barte chq#71				50
Deirdre O'c chq#73				50
Hybrid Meeting Equipment	300			
Katie Barte chq#105		218.13		
Katie Barte chq#107		80.7		
Guest Speakers and Guest Speaker Records	2,000.00		2,000.00	
Suzanne Pe chq#108		300		
Jessica Clar chq#109		682.5		
Workshops/Training Seminars for DPAC/PA	500		500	
Katie Barte chq#67				66.6
Vrushali Kh chq#69				67.62
Katie Barte chq#70				25
Stacey Gou chq#106		81.36		
Stacey Gou chq#68				400
Deirdre O'c chq#73				25
Honorariums for Indigenous Elders and Knowledge Keepers			250	
Refreshments for Meetings			750	
Katie Barte chq#67				24.02
Katie Barte chq#76				10.27
Bursaries/Gifts			300	
Social Media Marketing			50	
Deirdre O'c chq#73				25.61
Katie Barte chq#76				3.15
Total Expenditures	4,450.00	1,512.69	7,020.00	2,365.27
Closing Bank Balance April 30, 2024		\$2,942.69		\$7,624.19
Expenditures Committed:				
Erin Enns - chq#74				50
Vrushali Kh chq#72				50
Erin Enns - chq#75				136.64
Total Commitments on Account				236.64
NET Adjusted Bank Balance		\$2,942.69		\$7,387.55



Chilliwack DPAC 2024/2025 Plan of Action

Executive Summary:

Chilliwack DPAC is dedicated to enhancing the quality of education within the Chilliwack School District by supporting Parent Advisory Councils (PACs) and fostering effective communication between parents, schools, and the district. Our mission is to empower parents to play an active role in their students' education and advocate for policies and practices that benefit all students.

Mission Statement:

To educate, inform, and empower parents to be partners in the education of their children.

Objectives:

Enhance Parent Engagement: Promote parent participation in school-related activities and decision-making processes through advocacy, communication, support, and education.

Strengthen PAC Support: Provide training, resources, and networking opportunities to support PACs across all schools in the district.

Advocate for Student Success: Act as a unified voice for parents to advocate for improved educational policies, programs, and funding.

Improve Communication: Facilitate effective communication between parents, schools, and the district through regular updates, meetings, and forums.

Environment Scan:

The Chilliwack School District serves a diverse population of students and parents. The district's rapid growth presents both opportunities and challenges. As a central body, DPAC can help bridge communication gaps, address common concerns, and provide a platform for all parents to voice their opinions.



Services and Programs:

Workshops and Training: Organize workshops for parents on topics that align with the DPAC goals and membership direction.

Monthly Meetings: Hold monthly meetings to discuss and provide updates on DPAC business, initiatives, district policies, and share best practices.

Resource Development: Create and distribute materials (e.g., newsletters, guides) to help PACs enhance their impact.

Advocacy Campaigns: Launch campaigns to advocate for key issues such as increased funding, special education support, and curriculum improvements.

Outreach Plan:

Social Media Presence: Utilize online platforms to reach a wider parent audience.

District Partnerships: Collaborate with PACs and the District to distribute information through social media, websites, and direct communication with parents.

Funding Strategy:

Grants: Apply for the DPAC Gaming grant from Community Gaming Grants Program in BC.

District Support: Collaboratively work with the District to ensure financial support.

Donations: Apply for in-kind donations from local businesses and community members, where appropriate to support DPAC events.

Operations Plan:

Leadership Team: Composed of elected parent representatives, including a Chair, Vice-Chair, Treasurer, and Secretary, who oversee daily operations.

Volunteers: Engage parent volunteers for committee work and outreach efforts.

Meetings: Hold monthly DPAC meetings and training sessions for PAC members.



Financial Projections:

Expenses: Estimated 2024-2025 expenses of \$11,600 for events, workshops, trainings and materials.

Revenue: Projected revenue of \$2,500 from the BC Gaming Grant, \$5000 from the Chilliwack School District and leftover funds from contingency.

Milestones:

Fall: Connect with PACs and parents to further the DPAC mission and launch the parent workshops schedule.

Winter: Host monthly meetings and parent workshops while furthering advocacy efforts.

Spring: Connect and collaborate with PACs and parents to begin to develop a comprehensive advocacy strategy for the next school year.

June: Evaluate progress and set new goals for the upcoming year.

Conclusion:

Chilliwack DPAC is committed to fostering a collaborative environment where parents, schools, and the district work together to achieve the best outcomes for all students. By engaging parents, advocating for educational improvements, and providing valuable resources, we aim to make a meaningful impact in our community.





2024-2025 Proposed DPAC Priorities

DPAC aims to be flexible and responsive to membership concerns, while having strategic goals for the year to help guide focus and priorities. Based on feedback these are the priorities your DPAC Executive is proposing we focus on this year:

DPAC Goals	Advocacy Focuses
Complete PAC/DPAC Admin Procedure with District	Anti-Bullying: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Education plan for students, parents and teachers - District Plan of Action to address bullying - Standard Code of Conduct across the District
Complete full C&B review and update	Anti-Racism <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Education plan for students, parents and teachers - District Plan of Action to address racism
Complete DPAC Operating Norms document	Continue to monitor the impact of the “Jackson Award” on class composition and support.
Update DPAC Logo	
Measurably engage more parent participation compared to 2023/24 school year	

Ideas of goals and focuses for membership to consider and provide feedback on:

- DPAC Website
- Childcare options in every school
- Classroom Temperatures during heatwaves in buildings/upgrade AC
- Traffic and Bussing issues affecting safety and access
- Inclusive Playground audit
- Disability support for extra-curricular clubs and activities



2024-2025 Proposed DPAC Event Calendar

DPAC aims to provide relevant parent workshops and training. Based on feedback and requests, these are the presentations and events your DPAC Executive is proposing we pursue booking for parents.

SEPTEMBER <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 19th PAC 101/Teams Training • 26th DPAC General 	FEBRUARY <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 27th DPAC General • Anti-Bullying Presentation (TBD)
OCTOBER <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 23rd Halkomelem Language Class • 24th DPAC General 	MARCH <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Anti-Ableism (TBD)
NOVEMBER <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 20th Advocacy Presentation by Sue Robins • 28th DPAC General 	APRIL <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 24th DPAC General • Sex Ed Presentation or Substance and Addiction Presentation (TBD)
DECEMBER <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 3rd SafeTeen Violence Prevention Presentation 	MAY <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2-4th BCCCPAC Conference • 29th DPAC AGM + Dinner • Technology Presentation (TBD)
JANUARY <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 30th DPAC General • Anti-Racism Presentation (TBD) 	JUNE <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • PAC Cafe/Planning Event (TBD)



2024-2025 Proposed DPAC Budget

BUDGET 2024/2025	GAMING	GENERAL
Opening Balances	342.69	5,989.22
Income		
Gaming Grant Income	2,500.00	
Donation		
SD33 Funding		5000.00
Total Income	2,500.00	5000.00
Total Funds to be Allocated in 2024/2025	2,842.69	10,989.22
Expenditures		
BCCPAC Membership	200.00	
Miscellaneous Office Supplies, Printing Costs, Software	500.00	
BCCPAC Conference		2,000.00
BCCPAC Conference Travel Expenses	500.00	
BCCPAC DPAC Summit		500.00
Guest Speakers and Guest Speaker Recordings	1,000.00	3,000.00
Workshops/Training Seminars for DPAC/PACs	500.00	1,000.00
Update DPAC Logo		1,000.00
Honorariums for Indigenous Elders and Knowledge Keepers		500.00
Refreshments for Meetings		500.00
Bursaries/Gifts		300.00
Social Media Marketing		100.00
Total Expenditures	2,700.00	8,900.00
Excess to be held for Contingency Fund	142.69	2,089.22

British Columbia District Parent Advisory Councils: No Space for Hate in Our Schools

As BC DPACs, we stand with our children, parents, and caregivers to support and recognize the diverse culture in our schools and our society. We believe SOGI inclusive education reflects diversity including the acknowledgment of multiple genders and sexualities, which plays a pivotal role in educating our students about the world they inhabit.

BC DPACs strive to support the education goals of our communities and through that, support the mental health and wellbeing of our children. We firmly assert that any group endeavoring to undermine or segregate our communities has no place in the inclusive environment of BC public education. It is our commitment to continue supporting our parent and caregiver communities in their education about the significance of SOGI (Sexual Orientation and Gender Identity) education and how it profoundly benefits our children.

Regrettably, some groups have been disseminating misinformation and, in doing so, neglect the myriad of ways our children require support, including:

- Access to affordable childcare;
- A well-funded public education system that ensures schools are seismically safe, equipped with modern facilities up to the highest standards, and provide ample space for all students inside school buildings;
- Current and comprehensive learning materials;
- Access to healthy, plentiful food; and
- Up-to-date technology for both basic and enhanced learning experiences.

We would urge everyone to learn more about the current BC education curriculum and understand why it is crucial that sexual orientation and gender identity is part of public education. We also recognize that trans and gender diverse people have always been part of society, and that 2SLGBTQIA+ represents a vital facet of the beautiful mosaic that constitutes the human experience.

On a day when our children will see a lot of hate in the media and the world around them, we encourage our communities to show love and express your unwavering support for inclusivity within our schools.

Signed,

Vancouver District Parent Advisory Council (SD39)

Central Okanagan Parent Advisory Council (COPAC SD23)

New Westminster District Parent Advisory Council (SD40)

North Vancouver Parent Advisory Council (SD44)
Kamloops-Thompson District Parent Advisory Council (SD73)
Surrey District Parent Advisory Council (SD36)
Victoria Confederation of Parent Advisory Councils (SD61)
Vernon District Parent Advisory Council (SD22)
Langley District Parent Advocacy Council Executive (SD35)
Nanaimo-Ladysmith District Parents Advisory Council (SD68)
Sooke Parents' Education Advisory Council (SPEAC SD62)
Prince George and District Parent Advisory Council (SD57)
Gulf Islands District Parent Advisory Council (SD64)
Mission District Parent Advisory Council (SD75)
Coquitlam District Parent Advisory Council (SD43)