



General Meeting

Minutes

Jan 18, 2011

Henry Grube Educational Centre

Meeting Chair: Todd S.

Attendees:

Tibor B. – Heffley Creek
Barb C – Valleyview Sec
Todd S - Parkcrest
Staffen L - BEST
Kerrie F. – AE Stevenson
Gisela R – Sahali Sec
Peter H – A. Hatton

Susan N. – Summit
Scott R. – A. Stevenson
Anne B - SSES
Shelly A. – Chase Sec.
Shyann V – D Thomson Elem
Sharlene Bowers – Board office
Joan Cowden – Trustee

Observer: Les Goddard – considering a candidacy for School Trustee

1. Introductions:

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm by Todd S. Introductions were made.

2. Agenda:

MOTION to approve the agenda - CARRIED.

3. Minutes

The minutes of the meeting held December 14, 2010 were approved. Corrected Kerry F.



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4. Financial Report: Gisela R. presented a financial update.



Treasurer's report
Jan. 8, 2011.xls

5. Correspondence of Note:

a. none

6. Executive Report:

a. **Executive meeting** – The events planned for Family Literacy Week were reviewed.

Possible resolutions for BCCPAC AGM were discussed
The School District is completing a report report on transportation (likely to include. implications of any bussing fees)

- b. **School Board meetings** – March 7, 2011 board meeting has been shifted to Clearwater to accommodate public input into the potential sale of Dutch Lake School.
- c. **Dr. Sullivan meetings** – At the meeting with Dr. Sullivan, queries were presented regarding Synervoice, which he will investigate. Reports to date indicate that it activates for the first voice/machine that responds, it only calls the primary telephone number in BCESIS, and it apparently has email capabilities.
- d. **Website** – being maintained. Noted that new emails on the written attendance list at DPAC meetings will be added to the Gmail distribution list.

7. Committee Reports:

- a. **Parent Education** – Bullying webinar is slated for February 10th. Rosalind Wiseman is proposed as a speaker for 2012 for DPAC’s Parent Education program. We have made an offer for partnership with SD73.
- b. **Parent Leadership Task Force** – A survey to be completed by parents will be published and open for the month of February. A meeting with the principals has taken place, and a session for teachers and CUPE staff is planned. It was noted that teacher interest so far has been minimal.
- c. **DPAC Rep reports & queries** – “Parent Handbooks” were discussed. **Action:** Susan N. will investigate and report on what interest there is in such a document.

8. Unfinished Business:

- a. Avison report. The report was discussed among those present.

MOTION that DPAC prepare a letter to the Ministry of Education requesting that urgent action be taken in response to the issues identified in the Avison Report, recognizing the importance to public education of the BC College of Teachers, as identified in Section 4 of the Teaching Profession Act Gisela/Kerrie CARRIED. . **Action:** Peter H, Scott R, and Gisela R

9. New Business:

- a. **High School Exam week scheduling**– As it is too late to discuss or act on this year’s planning, DPAC will solicit information on how Exam Week was scheduled for the week of Jan 24-28, and whether the outcome was perceived as good or bad. **Action:** Gisela
- b. **BCCPAC AGM** – No resolutions have been submitted to DPAC for presentation at BCCPAC AGM.
- c. **DPAC nomination committee** – DPAC is seeking volunteers to act on this committee, and solicit nominees for next year.
- d. **Family Literacy** –DPAC is a sponsor, and encourages parents to support the events of this week.

10. Trustee's Remarks:

- a. Trustee Cowden notes that a popular event as part of Family Literacy Week will be held at the Grube Centre on Saturday Jan 29th. The March 7, 2011 board meeting has been shifted to Clearwater to accommodate public input into the potential sale of Dutch Lake School.

11. DPAC Rep Accountabilities:

- a. Science Night - Feb 24 – Parent volunteers to contact organizers.
- b. Read Avison report.
- c. Seek a parent for Webinar panel discussion on bullying Feb 10 (contact DPAC if someone is interested)
- d. Any resolutions to be sent to BCCPAC AGM? Bring suggestions to next DPAC meeting.

12. NEXT MEETING: Tuesday Feb 15 - 7:00 PM – 9:00 PM HENRY GRUBE CENTRE