



General Meeting Minutes June 16, 2015 Henry Grube Educational Centre

Chair: Wil Dekker-Lonquist (McGowan Elem)

Attendees:

Don K	South Sahali Elem	Tibor B.	Brock/Rayleigh
Erin M	Lloyd George Elem		
Jessica K.	Beattie	Karl de Bruijn	Superintendent
Peter H	South Kam Sec	Meghan Wade	SD73
Valerie N	David Thompson		
Hilary R.	Westsyde		

- 1. Introductions:** The meeting was called to order. Sean Lamoureux was introduced, who will be speaking about sports in school.
- 2. Presentation:** Sean Lamoureux attended from the District Athletic Council. Sean and his team have done a large amount of work around advising, developing, maintaining the philosophy of athletics, discussing and make decisions around athletic events, and coaching--particularly as it pertains to secondary students.

Sean described the "Spectator Code of Conduct" which sets the framework for athletics. Every school has access to a Powerpoint Presentation on a SD73 Parent-Coach Athletic policy (which relates to code and conduct for athletes, coaches and spectators). This presentation will help brand new coaches (and inexperienced coaches) get on the "same page" to work together for a successful athletic experience. Sean described a "Culture of Athletics" which will provide for the development of the whole person. There is also a SD73 Coaches Manual that sets out a Coach's Code of Conduct for BC School Sports and provides pre-season checklists, during season checklist and post season checklists. There is also a SD73 Parent Acknowledgement Form that includes the following Value Statements:

- a. I will teach my child to value effort over outcome, and the team over the individual
- b. Please be respectful and encouraging in your approach to ALL athletes, officials, coaches and fellow spectators.

The above will be "tweaked" to apply to the elementary school students. However, the framework will be similar.

Steve Scott is the chairperson for the Elementary levels. His report is attached. In summary, the Elementary Sports Council is continuing to work on providing resources for schools, teachers, and administrators that allow for the production of quality athletic programs in our schools. The Principles of the elementary athletic program are:

- To ensure the well-being of the student-athlete
- To ensure the well-being of all school and district athletic programs
- To ensure a program consistent with the goals of elementary education.

There is also a Code of Conduct for Players and Spectators/Parents/Coaches/Teachers which promotes fun, honest effort, positive encouragement, rules, applauding value and effort, and fairness. A list of inter-school sports on offer is available at sd73elementaryathletics.weebly.com

3. **Agenda** – Agenda approved as presented.
4. **Minutes:** - Minutes of the May 19th meeting were presented and accepted as submitted.
5. **Financial Report:** -Attached. Balance in the Gaming Account is \$1515.13. Balance in the General Account is \$11,047.51. There was some discussion surrounding the Gaming monies and how that should be spent. Expenditures on the horizon include sending an individual to the BCCPAC conference, setting up a bursary, and other conferences pertaining to finance, fundraising and parent involvement.
6. **Correspondence of Note:**
 - a. **“Compassionate Games” Request:** A member of the PAC at Stuart Wood has passed on information regarding “The Compassionate Games”.
 - *“Compassionate Kamloops intends to put Kamloops on the map as the Most Compassionate City in Canada. We are a newly formed group seeking to cultivate and encourage a community that embodies compassion. Compassionate Kamloops is launching a second annual Compassion Games: Survival of the Kindest in Kamloops on September 11th. This will highlight the existing compassionate actions of Kamloopsians already involved in the community and foster additional compassionate activities during the course of the 11 day event. The Compassion Games: Survival of the Kindest is a free event, the only cost relates to your time, energy and compassion. This co-opetition spans the 11 day period from September 11th to September 21st (The UN International Day of Peace). Compassionate Kamloops encourages all Kamloopsians to sign up online to involve themselves, their places of work, play, worship, service, education etc. We want your compassionate acts to put Kamloops on the Compassion Map. Find more information at the Compassion Games – Kamloops Facebook Page or contact Compassionate Kamloops at compassionatekamloops@gmail.com or compassionategames.org*
7. **Question re: Dress Code Policy:** The District dress code policy asks schools to make their own individual school policy. The Superintendent advises parents who have a problem with their school’s policy to talk to the PAC and involve the administration at the school. If the problem still could not be resolved, parents can contact the Superintendent’s office directly for specific advice.
8. **Executive Report:**
 - a. **Change in signing authorities** has been completed to reflect the current exec.
 - b. **Request from Board re: Spring Break:** DPAC received 68 responses to our request for input as to whether parents prefer the 1 week or 2 week Spring Break. This input will be used to inform our official position which will be forwarded to the Board before the June 30th deadline.
9. **Parent Education** –
 - a. The Executive will meet during the summer to schedule speakers.
 - b. The Executive will meet with Tracy Poelzer to discuss Facebook page on Monday June 22nd at 3pm
10. **Old Business:**
Nothing to report.
11. **New Business:**
Nothing to report.
12. **KTTA Remarks:** None.

- 13. Trustee Remarks:** Young Artist is coming to the Board meeting coming this week. Graduation season is coming to an end. Secondary Schools end this week and move into exams.
- 14. Superintendent Remarks:** “School Planning Councils” have been eliminated under Bill 11. This function will now be served by PACs (beginning 2015/16). More information will be presented in the Fall. Accountability Contract and School Improvement Plan education sessions will be set up if requested/required to help with formatting.
- 15. DPAC Rep Accountabilities:** as presented
- 16. NEXT MEETING: TBD –September. HENRY GRUBE CENTRE**