



# Minutes

## May 22, 2007 – 7:00

### Henry Grube Educational Centre

**Attendees:**

<b>Laura Bantock</b>	<b>SKSS</b>		
<b>Heather Bryan</b>	<b>Arthur Stevenson</b>		
<b>Wendy Matheson</b>	<b>David Thompson Elementary</b>		
<b>Gisela Ruckert</b>	<b>Beattie Elem.</b>		
<b>Andy Slizak</b>	<b>VSS and Ralph Bell</b>		
<b>R.Dean Watts</b>	<b>South Sahali Elementary</b>		
<b>Martha White</b>	<b>SKSS</b>		
<b>Paula Schmidt</b>	<b>Sahali Secondary</b>		
<b>Meghan Wade</b>	<b>Trustee</b>		
<b>Rob Schoen</b>	<b>School Board Office</b>		
<b>Lesley Davidson</b>	<b>Valleyview Sec.</b>	<b>374-8225</b>	<a href="mailto:l2e2d2@yahoo.com">l2e2d2@yahoo.com</a>

**1. Introductions**

**2. Delegations**

Laura Bantock presented resource information regarding “The Anaphylactic Student Protection Act” that SKSS PAC would like DPAC to support to encourage the passage of Bill M210, May 2007. It is fashioned after “Sabrina’s Law” in Ontario and encourages a province wide approach to handling all students at risk for anaphylactic reaction on school grounds. Laura indicates that the teachers are supporting it.

**Motion: To send a letter of support to the names listed on page two of Laura’s presentation document regarding Bill M210.** Gisela / Heather Carried.  
 Martha is willing to create a letter to each of listed recipients.  
 Paula will sign and fax

**3. Adoption of Minutes:** Minutes reviewed.

**Motion: To adopt as presented.** Dean / Martha Carried.

**4. Financial Report**

HSBC	Chequing Account-	\$2,059.66
	Gaming Account-	\$ 389.47

The previous bank will make a draft and call on due date. The plan is to invest at HSBC by June 30, 2007.

**5. Old Business**

- **Rotating Schedule** for elementary schools – this will now be incorporated into 2007/2008 school year
- **Booster seats** as of July 1, 2008, a **MUST** for children to be in booster seats if they are less than 4’9” or less than 9 years of age. Historically, children have to be in booster seats up to 20#s. 20-40# must have booster seats as of July 1, 2008. Field trip, parent, booster seat supply and booster seat sturdiness discussed.
- **School Board** agendas will be received electronically as of August 28, 2007
- **Parental communications** Parent verification forms will now collect email contact information. We have had “SIRS” at high school and “TURBO” at elementary schools. Now it will be “British Columbia Electronic Student Information System” aka “BCESIS”.

## 6. New Business

- **Anaphylaxis Support letter** as per initial delegation motion this evening.
- **Raising Boys Workshop October 18-20, 2007.** As an adjunct to the “Gender and Student Achievement” Conference. Paula handed out 100 resource documents at the BCCPAC AGM. Cost of the complete conference \$500.00. There is a student rate. A parent rate and or DPAC rate seats discussed. A special evening with Steve Biddulph, one of the presenters is being arranged for the Wednesday before.

Action: recommendation for DPAC involvement in organizing “Raising Boys” workshop to come from education committee.

- **“Leadership for LEARNING PARTNERSHIPS”** -\$600,000 invested in leadership capacity building by the Ministry of Education. BCCPAC accepting applications. Ultimate four year investment by interested parents. Focus is education and communications in Leadership. Application deadline June 15, 2007.
- **Long-term Planning** - see attached.

## 7. Chair’s Report

- Paula reports that she attended the BCCPAC AGM, information meeting with Val Janz regarding “Make Children First”, and participation in the School District # 73 Long Term Planning (Dr. Robin Brayne).

## 8. Superintendent Report

HR representative Rob informs us they are interviewing the last of the principals, Monday goes to the Board and Friday will be first rounds. SPC plans to the Board too.

## 9. Trustee Reports

- School improvement plans, each trustee is looking after 16ish, was historically due in October, now to be completed by July.
- Bill 20 passed third reading. Regulations are still being developed.
- Chris sends his regrets tonight.
- Tranquille school closes by end of June 2007
- City Bus passes for student now at reduced cost . 4 months for \$84 starting this September.
- Y offers “The Power of Being a Girl” to the Board on Monday and is planned for October/07.
- Budget passed
- “Recreating and Read” program to elementary school children this summer. University students with a back round in recreation provide to numerous elementary schools.
- Appreciation of DPACS participation in Dr Brayne’s research into School District #73’s five year plan.

Next Meeting  
AGM  
Tuesday, June 12, 2007 at 7:00pm  
Room 4  
Grube Centre

## **Long-Term Planning** **2007/2008 Focus**

Possible focus areas:

1. Inter-PAC networking
2. Education strategy including topics such as:
  - SPC's
  - New executive training/orientation
  - What is DPAC?
  - DPAC representative training/orientation
  - district and school budget
  - Funding info (e.g. how to apply and report for gaming)
  - Calendar
  - BCCPAC
3. Resource/Mentoring strategy
  - Dial-a-Resource
4. Communication strategy
  - Emerging issues
    - PAC
    - District
    - Provincial
  - Strategy to help PACs “advise”
5. Increased DPAC Reps/Involvement and creation of DPAC positions

Action:

- DPAC agreed that the Fall education sessions were the priority. Additional focus of Communication and Position Development to be addressed in September 2007.
- Gisela, Wendy, and Heather will form the Education Committee and provide recommendations at the June 12 meeting (see additional notes below).

Goal I: Develop an education strategy.

Possible education/training topics:

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- New executive training/orientation
- What is DPAC?
- DPAC representative training/orientation
- district and school budget
- Funding info (e.g. how to apply and report for gaming)
- Calendar
- BCCPAC

Possible mechanisms:

- Sessions at high-schools and invite feeder schools
- Should be a Fall session

Audiences:

- PACs
- SPCs

Priorities for Fall 2007:

- PAC Chair Luncheon
- SPC Training
- New PAC Executive training/orientation