



# Minutes

February 19, 2008 – 7:00  
Henry Grube Educational Centre

## Attendees:

Renee Anderson	Arthur Stevenson
Lesley Boettger	Arthur Stevenson
Carly Debeeld	Juniper Ridge
Belinda Hastings	BEST
Leigh-Anne Larsen	Beattie
Wendy Matheson	David Thompson
Lorna McMillan	Valleyview Sec.
Lynne Monteith	McGowan Park
Bev Petrie	SSES
Gisela Ruckert	SaHali Secondary
Paula Schmidt	SaHali Secondary
Andy Slizak	VSS & Ralph Bell
Tania Vidovic	Norkam
Kelvin Stretch	SBO
Terry Sullivan	Superintendent
Dick Dickens	Trustee
Meghan Wade	Trustee
Lesley Davidson	Valleyview Sec. 374-8225 <a href="mailto:l2e2d2@yahoo.com">l2e2d2@yahoo.com</a>

Regrets: Chris Rose (Trustee), John Churchley (SD 73 Administration)

## 1. Adoption of Minutes –

*Lynne motioned to accept Minutes. Belinda seconded. Carried.*

## 2. DPAC Topic –

Kelvin Stretch (SD #73 Secretary-Treasurer) provided resource information to inform us of upcoming SD #73 Budgetary work.

- 87% of Budget goes to staffing and benefits
- 13% to operational costs
- Accomplishments like class sizes, “Strings Program”, “Healthy Schools”, vending machine updates all affect the dollars available for class room accomplishments from the “Operational costs”.
- Discussion re values and priorities. What priority do we, as parents need the SB to meet? What questions do parents have?

- Discussion attempted to identify core values / guiding principles for budget development;
  - eliminate disruption to students
  - eliminate disruption to ratios
  - guiding principles, not numbers
  - unknown throne speech effect(s)
  - literacy – what do we need to do and how are we going to deal with the impact
  - need a report of initiatives being provided
  - identify the priority programs

**SB and DPAC want to facilitate optimal communications with parents as Dr. Robert Brayne additionally pointed out in the 4-5 year SB Plan.**

**3. Financial Report – (Wendy Matheson) as of February 19, 2008:**

	January/08	to date	(December/07)
Regular chequing	\$6,090.31	\$7,534.73	\$5543.66
Gaming	\$2,550.01	\$1,105.59	\$2549.90)

Tonight the March budget work is presented by the executive. In March we will propose next years work. Tonight we discussed the need for monies to assist with parent education. What use to be known as B40 funds, of funding per student, were provided for each child in a school. That provincial parent education money is currently not pursued by DPAC to enable finances that would permit a healthier District Parent Education fund.

*Motion to accept 2007/2008 budget as presented  
Lynne / Bev. Discussed and carried.  
2008/2009 DPAC budget will be discussed next meeting.*

**6. Old Business**

**A. BCCA Attendance Policy**

**Tabled to next meeting.**

**B. Anaphylaxis Policy Development Update**

**C. Playground Collaboration- Prince George Model**

A great idea that cannot be taken on by our DPAC. Interested individuals but unable to facilitate a working team to see it through. Attempting to provide network resources of interested people. 30/37 elementary school are working on their inventory and/or fundraising. *Any PACs who are interested in pursuing this should contact Paula – hopefully DPAC can act as a network connector for this initiative.*

**D. Trans-fat Resolution (South Sahali Elementary School)**

Policy going to SB table March 8, 2008.

**E. List of authorized material for classrooms**

Andrea Wallin, District Librarian has information regarding authorizing materials ie novels, plays etc. “BC Education Resource A Coalition” [www.bcerac.bc.ca](http://www.bcerac.bc.ca) is the link to the network.

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### Attendance at School Board Meetings:

7:00 pm - School Board Office. DPAC is the only partner group part of the standing agenda.

Date:	PAC Parent Participation
March 31/08	
April 14/08	
April 28/08	Raft River Elementary
May 12/08	
May 26/08	
June 9/08	Westwold Elementary
June 23/08	
July 7/08	
August 25/08	

### 7. New Business

- A. **BCCPAC Resolutions Meeting** will be arranged by Belinda, Gisela and Tanya.
- B. **DPAC Notice of Motion – Bylaw modification re BCCPAC District Associate-**  
BCCPAC has discontinued their District Associate program. This requires changes to the DPAC bylaws.  
As per the DPAC Bylaws, notice of motion for this bylaw amendment (to remove the position of “District Associate” and references thereto) is given. Motion will be voted on at the April 15 DPAC meeting. (7:00 Henry Grube Centre).
- C. SD # 73 Notices of Motion
  - Code of Conduct** Code of Conduct reflects Ministry of Education regulations.
  - Naming of Schools**
- D. Ministry of Education requesting participation in workshop on “**Appeals**” by tomorrow (February 20, 2008).
- E. “**Prodigy – Parent Education 2007**” Lesley Davidson offers to DPAC and other evening-meeting PACs in our School District. Everything she has learned in 18 months with the SB Gender Achievement Committee and the three days in the International Gender Achievement Education sessions including reading seven books. 30 minute presentation.

### 8. Chair’s Report

- A. BCTF Conference Attendance will be reported next month.
- B. February 27<sup>th</sup> is the Pink Shirt Campaign to diminish bullying.

### 9. Committee Reports

- A. **Education – February Workshops (Data, Nutrition, Terry Small)**
- B. **Communication – mandate (Tabled)**
- C. **Policy**

### 11. Trustee Remarks

Megan elaborated on the “Pink Shirt Campaign”.

**Next Meeting  
March 11, 2008  
Henry Grube Centre**