



# DPAC NOTES

## From the DPAC Meeting of June 18 2013

1. **Anti-Homophobic Policy** - the policy that was proposed to the Board Meeting of April 2, 2013 by the Social Justice Committee of the KTTA was accepted for consideration. SD members in attendance pointed out that anti-bullying in general is already in SD73 policy, and in the student Code of Conduct, this would supplement, not replace, that.
2. **Parent Education** –Learnnowbc.ca is a portal that has resources for parents, and for teachers, and for students. SD members in attendance encouraged awareness of this portal. the portal is now being managed by SD73. It is also a portal for online courses, and SD73 staff estimate that by year 2020, 50% of students will be taking at least some online courses.
3. **Social Media** - A local PAC with Facebook page issues has offered a copy of guidelines that they have developed.
4. **School calendar** - 90 submissions were received by SD73 on the subject of the school calendar for 2014-17. Expect more discussion opportunities in the fall.
5. **School populations** - It was noted that Dallas, Dufferin, and Batchelor schools are exceptions, that have continued increasing their elementary school populations. No layoffs of teachers are anticipated, so teacher movement in the fall should be minimal.
6. **SD 73 Achievement** - Westsyde Secondary report that they were successful with the 'Innovation Grant' application, and will be doing a renovation on their library.
7. **Privacy** In the past few years, the SD73 admin has tried to consolidate the many privacy forms that are required, but new Provincial regulation means that likely parents will see multiple forms again in the fall

### **DPAC Accountabilities:**

**Gaming Applications due by June 30**

**Next DPAC Meeting: - Tuesday, June 18, 2013  
7:00 pm – 9:00 pm at Henry Grube Education Centre  
Representatives from all PACs in School District 73 are welcome.**