

DPAC NOTES

From the DPAC Meeting of Jan 18, 2011

- **1. Bullying Webinar** DPAC will present a free webinar on bullying, by Bill Belsey, on Thursday evening Feb 10, 2011 at the Grube Centre. Presentation is at 7 pm, with a panel discussion afterward featuring various interested parties, such as teachers, administrators, and law enforcement. A poster was emailed on January 14th. Please help promote this event in your school newsletter, and redistribute the poster.
- **2. Parent Leadership Task Force:** There is a meeting on Wednesday January 26th at 4 pm. Teachers are under-represented, so please approach any teachers you feel may be interested in participating. A survey is expected to be distributed to parents in February.
- **3. 2011 Satisfaction Survey is available:** For students in grades 4, 7, 10 and 12, and their parents and school staff in public schools. The survey is available until April 15, and takes about 10 minutes. Logon information, for those eligible, is available through school administrators. Go to http://www.bced.gov.bc.ca/sat_survey/ for information on the annual survey, administered since 2002 in British Columbia.
- **4. Science World presentations:** The traveling show is scheduled for Thursday, February 24, 2011 at TRU from 6 pm to 9 pm.
- **5. Avison report on the BC College of Teachers.**: The report is available at http://www.bced.gov.bc.ca/pubs/2010_factfinder_report_bcct.pdf. A news release with accompanying info is at http://www2.news.gov.bc.ca/news_releases_2009-2013/2010EDUC0136-001546.htm. DPAC will be addressing a letter to the Ministry of Education on the subject.
- **6. Family Literacy Week:** "Unplug and Play" is being promoted through the schools for the week of January 24th. Cris Rowan will present a free seminar on Thursday evening January 27 at Kamloops Alliance Church, from 7 pm to 9 pm. Register at www.kamloops.ca/ezreg using course code 167632. Family Literacy Day events will also be at the Henry Grube on Saturday January 29th, including storytellers, singers, and musicians.
- **7. DPAC Annual General Meeting:** Upcoming in April. Several executive may be will leaving DPAC this year, start discussions now with your PAC's, to find the support needed to keep the DPAC available to support your PAC.

Next DPAC Meeting is Tuesday, February 15, 2011 7:00 pm – 9:00 pm at Henry Grube Education Centre Representatives from all PACs in School District 73 are welcome. E-mail: sd73dpac@gmail.com Website: http://dpac.sd73.bc.ca