

DPAC NOTES

From the DPAC Meeting of June 19, 2012

- 1. **WIFI** There were correspondences this month regarding potential health risks of WIFI in schools. This has been under discussion for several years at BCCPAC, and those interested should refer to their AGM motions. The topic currently has a high visibility at www.bccpac.bc.ca
- 2. **Parent Leadership Task Force**: Renee Anderson, who has performed admirably at this task for years, is stepping back, and we need persons to assist in organizing presentations. Please contact us at our Gmail account (below)
- **3. Bullying**: There was lengthy discussion, and DPAC will be seeking/reviewing statistical data that is available from SD73, and deciding if there are resources and interest within DPAC in pursuing concerns.
- **4. DPAC profile:** New Chair Wil Lonquist has met with MLA Terry Lake, MLA Kevin Kreuger, and KTTA President Jason Karpuk in the last months.
- **5.** 'Askable Adult': A presentation has been organized in Barriere for September. Current date is Sept 24, and will be open to all, but that will likely change by a day or two, due to a conflict with a Professional Development day..
- **6. Child Care**: DPAC passed a motion to fund child care during the general meetings next year (3rd Tuesday of the month), so please advise your PAC members, should they be considering being DPAC rep's next year, that this service exists.
- **7. Fundraising:** One school reported that they successfully raised \$60,000 this year. These efforts do not come without work the chair estimated 1,200 hours of volunteer activity, with the chair's spouse not far behind in hours.
- 8. **HELP! presentation:** DPAC will endeavor to organize an event for the fall, but assistance from PAC's and/or DPAC rep's will certainly assist in making this a success.
- 9. **SD 73 Breathalyzer Policy:** Although, in practice, in use for years across the province, SD73 will likely be the first with formal policy and procedures in the fall.
- 10. **SPC** School Planning Councils start up in September, start discussing representation with your PAC members now.
- 11. **Gaming Funds:** Online applications close on June 30. Make sure yours are done!!!

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Next DPAC Meeting: - Tuesday, Sept 18, 2012 7:00 pm – 9:00 pm at Henry Grube Education Centre Representatives from all PACs in School District 73 are welcome.