



What exactly is DPAC?

- DPAC stands for District Parent Advisory Council. We are the official parent voice for School District 73 (Kamloops/Thompson).
- Each PAC is encouraged to elect 2 DPAC reps to attend our monthly meetings.
- We elect an executive to conduct business between meetings, but our direction is determined by our members, just like at PACs.

What is the role of DPAC?

- Our mandate, according to the School Act, is to advise the Board of Education on any matter relating to education in the school district. We funnel parent input to decision-makers in our district.
- We facilitate communication – we send a lot of information out to the PACs on upcoming events and programs that might interest them.
- We provide training and education for parents, as well as opportunities for exchanging ideas. We host speakers and put on workshops and networking events.
- We function as a resource for individual parents and PACs as they do their work at the school level.

2025/26 Executive Committee

Bonnie M (Chair), Mel D (Vice Chair), Erin M (Acting Secretary), Erin M (Treasurer/Zoom Coordinator),
Members at Large: Elwira R, Jessica J, Jessica K, Nadine W, Manu S, Crystal P, Rachel A

DPAC General Meeting - Draft Agenda

Tuesday April 21, 2026 6:30pm

Zoom log in: www.zoom.us

Meeting ID: 849 6862 0676

Passcode: 456446

1. **Welcome/Call to Order.**
2. **Land Acknowledgement.** *We would like to recognize and acknowledge the traditional, ancestral, and unceded territories of the Dâkelh Dené, Ktunaxa, Nlaka'pamux, Secwépemc, St'át'imc, Syilx, and Tsilhqot'in Nations, where we live, learn, collaborate and work together.*
3. **Introduction of Guests**
 - a. Trustee Grieve – Board of Education
 - b. Superintendent Mike St. John – SD 73
4. **Reports:**
 - a. Chair's Report:
 - b. Treasurer's Report
 - i. See **Addendum A** for report
 - ii. *Annual Gaming Grant Application*
 - c. Committee Reports
 - i. Bylaw and Constitution (Elwira/Erin): Notice of Bylaw Amendment Discussion was given Feb 21 via Facebook.

Please note that we require at least 75% of the voting members present to affirm these changes in order for them to pass. If approved, these amendments will take effect immediately upon adoption.



Proposed Amendment 1 – Section VII Quorum

Current wording:

A quorum shall be four (4) voting members present, which shall include no less than two (2) Executive members.

Proposed wording:

A quorum shall be four (4) voting PAC representatives present.

Motion 1 – Quorum

That Section VII A of the Constitution and Bylaws be amended to replace the current quorum clause with the following:

“A quorum shall be four (4) voting PAC representatives present.”

Proposed Amendment 2 – Executive Position Restriction

Current wording:

No person may hold more than one elective Executive Position at any one time, with the exception of the Secretary-Treasurer.

Proposed wording:

No person may hold more than two Executive positions at the same time. The positions of Chair and Treasurer shall not be held by the same individual.

Motion 2 – Executive Position Restriction

That the clause stating “No person may hold more than one elective Executive Position at any one time, with the exception of the Secretary-Treasurer” be deleted and replaced with the following:

“No person may hold more than two Executive positions at the same time. The positions of Chair and Treasurer shall not be held by the same individual.”

Proposed Amendment 3 – Section XVI Amendment Notice Period

Current wording:

Written notice of a meeting at which a resolution will be considered to amend the bylaws shall be given to all members in writing at least two months before the meeting.

Proposed wording:

Written notice of a meeting at which a resolution will be considered to amend the constitution or bylaws shall be given to all members in writing at least thirty (30) days before the meeting.

Motion 3 – Amendment Notice Period



That Section XVI Clause 2 be amended to replace the current notice requirement with the following:

“Written notice of a meeting at which a resolution will be considered to amend the constitution or bylaws shall be given to all members in writing at least thirty (30) days before the meeting.”

- ii. Committee Reports - Active Transportation/Safer Streets (Elwira)
- iii. Committee Reports - Feeding Futures (Elwira)
- iv. Committee Reports - Advocacy (Bonnie/Elwira)
- v. Committee Reports - Rural Committee (Mel/Rachel)
- vi. Committee Reports - DPAC Coalition (Bonnie) – Correspondence received from Minister Beare
- vii. Committee Reports - Capital Funding/School Site Acquisition (Bonnie)

5. Old Business

- a. PAC 101 – If you haven’t received resources from PAC 101, we may not have been able to read your email address! Please reach out to sd73dpac@gmail.com
- b. Foodsafe – Please reach out to sd73dpactreasurer@gmail.com if your PAC needs reimbursement for a 2025/26 Foodsafe tuition
- c. Public Budget Consultation 2026/27
Date: Monday, April 20, 2026
Time: 6:30 – 8:00 PM
- d. Trec, 4 Directions Street School and @Kool students --eligible for PAC?

6. New Business

- a. Meeting Request with MLA re: update on DPACs work and challenges
- b. Meeting Request with BC Conservative Party- importance of inclusive education in learning plans

7. Correspondance Received

- a. Letter received from Minister Beare (DPAC Coalition)
- b. Invitation to parents from Youth Mental Health Canada to attend National Virtual Conference on school attendance challenges (May 29/30)
- c. inGIRLS club – free, fully inclusive social club for girls with autism and neuro-developmental differences



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Free to participate
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Girls of all ages & abilities
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Monthly events

About us
GIRLS CLUB is a social club for girls with autism or any neuro/developmental differences. We have multiple chapters across the province, serving thousands of families. GIRLS CLUB is a club that fosters friendships, fun, community, and connections.

What we do
We host regular events: theme parties, arts/crafts, field trips, and so much more. Activities that foster fun and an opportunity to meet and make friends. We have a balance of indoor events and outdoor activities, some structure, and some freeform.

Our Mission
We host regular events: theme parties, arts/crafts, field trips, and so much more. Activities that foster fun and an opportunity to meet and make friends. We have a balance of

Our Vision
A world where differences are not a barrier to friendship, connection, happiness, and self-worth. A world where girls with neurodevelopmental differences feel celebrated, included, and connected – where they make and enjoy friends.

inGIRLSCLUB.com | info@inGIRLSCLUB.com | [inCLUSIVE is fun](#)

d. 6th Annual Amazing Race to Inclusion

AN AMAZING RACE TO INCLUSION
KAMLOOPS BC

May 29, 2026
Sandman Centre, Riverside Park
9:00am until Noon

A fast-paced adventure where you take on real disability-related challenges and see the city in a whole new way.

Regular rate: \$150 per team of 4
Early-bird deal: 15% off tickets until March 31
For more information and to register, go to eventbrite.ca

Special thanks to our great sponsors:

Experience the Challenge
Become Part of the Change

6th Annual

Presented by:
The Speak Up Self-Advocacy Awareness Society
New Horizons Professional Support Services

Supported by:
Kamloops Society for Community Inclusion
HME
Primerica

8. Other Business

9. Adjournment

Next Meeting: May 19th at 6:30pm in person and via Zoom Meeting ID: 849 6862 0676 Passcode: 456446



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10. Addendum: Treasurer's report

SD73 DPAC FINANCIAL REPORT - April 2026

GAMING

Chequing Acct (5374)	Details	Debit	Revenue	Balance
	June 30 2025 Opening Balance			\$694.42
July 4, 2025	Zoom Plan for DPAC-Reimburse Erin Mitchell (paid by Credit Card) - Cheq 102	\$240.69		\$453.73
July 16, 2025	Foodsafe Reimbursement - RLC pac parent Sharon Newman - Cheq 103	\$69.00		\$384.73
July 31, 2025	July Bank Fees	\$1.95		\$382.78
August 20, 2025	Foodsafe Reimbursement - RLC Pac Parent Diane Koehn cheq 104	\$69.00		\$313.78
August 20, 2025	BCCPAC EGM Registration (Erin Mitchell - Proxy holder for 4 votes) -chq105	\$75.00		\$238.78
Aug 31, 2025	August Bank Fees	\$1.95		\$236.83
Sept 10, 2025	Foodsafe Reimbursement - Aberdeen PAC parent Trina Burkatsky -Chq106	\$69.00		\$167.83
Sept 26, 2025	Annual Community Gaming Grant for DPAC		\$2,500.00	\$2,667.83
Sept 30, 2025	September Bank Fees	\$1.95		\$2,665.88
Oct 31, 2025	October Bank Fees	\$1.95		\$2,663.93
November 30, 2025	November Bank Fees	\$1.95		\$2,661.98
December 31, 2025	December Bank Fees	\$1.95		\$2,660.03
January 31, 2026	January Bank Fees	\$1.95		\$2,658.08
February 28, 2026	February Bank Fees	\$1.95		\$2,656.13
March 2, 2026	Candy for Pac 101 tables - Cheq 109 Jessica Jorimann	\$47.62		\$2,608.51
March 2, 2026	Foodsafe Reimbursement - Pinantan PAC - Crystal Phare - Chq 108	\$69.00		\$2,539.51
March 2, 2026	PAC 101 Catering - Safeway Reimbursement - Erin Mitchell - Cheq 107	\$911.86		\$1,627.65
March 8, 2026	Foodsafe Reimbursement - Marion Schilling - Keri Nash - Cheq 110	\$69.00		\$1,558.65
March 31, 2026	March Bank Fees	\$1.95		\$1,556.70
Current Available Balance:				\$1,556.70
2025/26 Budgeted Expenses Still To Come:				
	Monthly Plan Fee (\$1.95 x 5 mos:) Apr - Aug	\$9.75		
	Zoom Plan for DPAC Meetings	\$265.00		
	Website Hosting Fee	\$190.00		
	Foodsafe Course (3 received, 7 more available)	\$483.00		
	PAC 101	\$40.52		
	Misc Supplies/Expenses for Advocacy projects	\$250.00		
	Total expected to be left over at end of fiscal year	\$318.43		

GENERAL

Chequing Acct (5366)	Details	Debit	Revenue	Balance
	July 2025 Opening Balance			\$3,455.57
July 31, 2025	July Bank Fees	\$1.95		\$3,453.62
August 31, 2025	August Bank Fees	\$1.95		\$3,451.67
Sept 30, 2025	September Bank Fees	\$1.95		\$3,449.72
Oct 31, 2025	October Bank Fees	\$1.95		\$3,447.77
November 30, 2025	November Bank Fees	\$1.95		\$3,445.82
December 31, 2025	December Bank Fees	\$1.95		\$3,443.87
January 30, 2026	January Bank Fees	\$1.95		\$3,441.92
February 28, 2026	February Bank Fees	\$1.95		\$3,439.97
March 2, 2026	PAC 101 - Honorarium for David Thompson Guitar Students' pgm - Chq 28	\$400.00		\$3,039.97
March 31, 2026	March Bank Fees	\$1.95		\$3,038.02
Current Available Balance:				\$3,038.02
25/26 Budgeted Expenses that are still to come:				
	Monthly Plan Fee (1.95 x 5mos) Apr - Aug	\$9.75		
	PAC 101 catering/expenses/misc	\$1,000.00		
	Mileage for out of town participants at meetings (0.60/km)	\$300.00		
	Misc supplies/expenses for Advocacy projects	\$250.00		
	Total expected to be left over at end of fiscal year	\$1,478.27		

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