



April 2022

Monthly DPAC Meeting Minutes

Meeting:	Monthly DPAC Meeting	Date & Time:	April 4th, 2022 6:30 pm
Chair:	Andrea Beckett	Recorder:	Tara Gauthier
Location:	Virtually via MS Teams and in person	Meeting Details:	Provided on SD57 DPAC website sd57dpac.ca
Executive Members:	Laura Weller, Gillian Burnett, Tara Gauthier, Rickie Mitchell, Andrea Beckett		
PAC Representatives and Parents:	Christa Porter (Glenview and STKRSS), Andrea Somerville (Nukko Lake), Kristy (Pineview), Jodi Wilson (Heritage), Melanie Marahon (Hart Highlands), Kaitlyn Anderson – Buckhorn Elementary, Justine (Hart Highlands)		

Acknowledging that this meeting is being held on the beautiful unceded ancestral lands of the Lheidli T'enneh.

Item #	Agenda Items	Designate	Purpose
1	Call to Order, Introductions & Territorial Acknowledgement - 18:35 HOURS	Chair or Vice-Chair	Information
2	Adoption of Meeting Agenda Adoption of Minutes from previous meeting(s)	Chair or Vice-Chair	Decision
3	Welcome Back & Discussion of Monthly Theme – Mental Health, Our kids, Our families and Our Schools General Discussion Question regarding bylaws/templates for PAC - are there templates to help in building		Information



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	<p>bylaws/polices. There is info available on BCCPAC site as well as can simply google for pac bylaws/constitution in BC to bring up ones for other PACs.</p> <p>Gaming Grant application for next school year - Opened up April 1st for submission, deadline is June 30th. They do provide a PDF booklet on site for guidelines, if require assistance email DPAC for assistance if needed.</p> <p>Parent Handbook for Inclusive Education - First draft is done, once reviewed and finalized hope is to have it up by end of this school year. Melanie, Tara, Rickie, Kristy, Andrea will assist Gillian with reviewing the handbook.</p> <p>New committees formed in District - if anyone is interested in attending let DPAC know:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Long term facility uses • French Immersion • Anti-Racism/Anti-Discrimination 		
4	<p>Review and Adoption of Executive Reports (see reports on DPAC website)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Executive Board Report - Chair and Vice-Chair b. Treasurer's Report <p>(Gillian Burnett Interim Treasurer)</p>	All	Information & Review
5	<p>Review and Adoption of Advising School District Reports</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Education Services Committee – Tara - no meeting in March b. Education Programs & Planning Committee – Laura– No meeting in March c. Policy & Governance Committee – Gillian - No meeting in March d. Bylaw 4 working group - Gillian 	All	Information & Review



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	e. Daycare policy development group - no updates		
6	<p>Partner Group, Rights & Stakeholders Presentations & Discussion (5 mins presentation & 5 mins Q&A per group)</p> <p>Parent question</p> <p>If parents of neurodivergent students are being asked what supports they want for their child what kind of resources can parents expect of staff? What training do teachers receive in this area? What supports are there for teachers? What expectations are appropriate for parents to have?</p> <p>Joanne Hapke – important to note that school counselors are not mental health clinicians.</p> <p>-teachers do not get specialized training, most knowledge comes from experience of working with neurodivergent children</p> <p>-Professional development days - 2 administrative days – these have ministry focus for current mandates. -5 days when teachers have a choice.</p> <p>-parents expect teachers to want work collaboratively with parents and team</p> <p>District Problem Solving Model</p> <p>-collaborative effort, working together in advocacy</p> <p>-staff can put student names forward to school-based team for support</p> <p>-school based team has specialties in different areas to support neurodivergent students</p>	<p>Joanne Hapke - Prince George District Teachers Association</p> <p>Aubrey Mitchell – Vice Principal for Inclusive Education and Mental Health</p> <p>Lisa Horswell - Director of Inclusive education</p> <p>Cindy Heitman - Superintendent</p> <p>Milton Mahoney - trustee</p>	<p>Information and Review</p>



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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -team will create action plan - 6 weeks to see if child responds -can bring in the extended school-based team -inclusive education works with school-based team -team will see what works/what does not for child, try different supports and go from there -supports provided such as access to mental health clinician, groups to assist children -specialized social emotional learning can be provided -mental health clinicians will see children, in specific cases can bring child's name forward to see Child Psychiatrist - Dr. Boulding- potential to take them on as client -Each school is assigned an inclusive education team that includes a mental health clinician. Ask your principal for further info -Ministry is putting funding into mental health, district is doing increased work in this area. -school counselor versus mental health clinicians- counselors are certified teachers not certified mental health clinicians. Focus on student timetables, career info, post-secondary prep, etc 		
<p>****Break****</p>		



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7	<p>New Business</p> <p>1. Treasurer 101- virtual session to be held in May. Date to be set soon. 1 hour session with 1/2 for questions.</p> <p>2. Understanding PAC's A-Z – and why they are important to families. Presented by BCCPAC. Link to webinar recording and presentation deck here</p> <p>3. Revised/updated 2022 Community Gaming Grants for PACs and DPACs Guidelines & Conditions</p> <p>i. PACs and DPACs are reminded to apply online for Gaming Grants NOW for funds in Fall 2022. NEW this year - Schools with <100 students will be provided with a base rate of \$2,000. You must apply between April 1 - June 30 to receive your funding. ii. Go to the BCCPAC website or click here</p> <p>4. Motion from Gillian to remove all signers from both DPAC bank accounts. Add Gillian, Laura and Andrea as signers. Seconded by Andrea</p> <p>5. Remember BCCPAC has lots of resources. PACs/Parents can email DPAC or BCCPAC for support.</p>	All	Information and Review
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8	<p>Old Business</p> <p><i>A. BCCPAC Conference & AGM</i></p> <p><i>i. Proxies from PACs are due</i></p> <p><i>B. DPAC AGM -May 2022</i></p> <p><i>i. Positions open for expressions of interest</i></p>	All	Information and Review
9	<p>Upcoming Committee Meetings</p> <p>a. Policy and Governance – April 5th (Gillian Burnett)</p> <p>b. Board Meeting – March 8th, 2022 (Andrea Beckett)</p> <p>c. Education Services Committee – April 4th, 2022 (Tara Gauthier)</p> <p>d. Education Programs and Planning Committee – April 12th, 2022(Laura Weller)</p>	All	Information
11	<p>Meeting Adjourned 21:20 HOURS</p>	Chair or Vice-Chair	Information

**Next meeting is Monday May 9th, 2022 @ 6:30pm
online via MS Teams and in-person @ Van B Bien**