

Campbell River District Parent Advisory Committee

Minutes of Meeting Held:

Wednesday, September 20th, 2017

Present: Violet Shade (Chair), Mike Savoie (Vice-Chair), Shauna Schmitke (Treasurer), Shantall McFee (Georgia Park), Sue De Bruin (Willow Point), Suzy Roberts (Timberline)

By Invitation: Nevenka Fair (Assistant Superintendent), Joyce McMann (School Board Trustee)

Regrets: none... (hahaha)

1. Violet Shade called the meeting to order at 7:10.
2. Introductions
3. Chairs Opening Remarks
 - a. DPAC elections - Election conducted by Joyce McMann:
 - i. Nominee for Chair: Violet Shade, nominated by Michael Savoie. Violet re-elected by acclamation.
 - ii. Nominee for Vice Chair: Michael Savoie, nominated by Violet Shade. Michael re-elected by acclamation.
 - iii. Nominee for Secretary: Shantall McFee, nominated by Michael Savoie. Shantall elected by acclamation.
 - iv. Nominee for Treasurer: Shauna Schmitke, nominated by Violet Shade. Shauna re-elected by acclamation.
4. Guests:
 - a. No guests present.
5. Minutes of last meeting:
 - a. Minutes approved by Violet and seconded by Shantall without amendments. Shauna requested BCCPAC summary be circulated with this meeting's minutes.
6. Additions to the agenda:
 - a. Agenda for tonight's meeting was circulated and approved with no additions or deletions.
7. Correspondence:
 - a. Bank Statements submitted.
8. School news and reports from PACs
 - a. Violet Shade – Carihi
 - i. Repairs made to the school including new roof for F-wing and gym, boiler leaks,, etc.

- ii. Library turned into an Open Commons learning Centre, a more modernized area to host collaborative programs and learning.
 - iii. It was suggested to have the Carihi principal come speak/present to DPAC about Grad transition.

- b. Sue De Bruin - Willow Point
 - i. New K parents and one dad at the first PAC meeting
 - ii. According to the WP Chair there are some legal changes made to PAC – no details yet.
 - iii. Changing bank accounts to obtain lower bank fees
 - iv. Fundraisers: Halloween Dance, Santa's Workshop, Lunch box and clothing labels, clothing with school logo.

- c. Suzy Roberts – Timberline
 - i. College renos are underway – breaking ground for shop wing
 - ii. First of Flex Program
 - 1. Change to the program: no at home learning option anymore, students will instead receive 2 credits for studying at school
 - iii. "Issues" course a great success:
 - 1. Students gather to discuss current topics
 - 2. Class seems popular and there is a great student turnout

- d. Shantall McFee – Georgia Park
 - i. Actively fundraising for a playground
 - 1. PAC group to assemble a Playground Committee
 - ii. Fundraisers: Movie nights, Santa Photos, Fun Fair, and looking into other options.
 - iii. 304 children and 14 classrooms at the school now, approximately 5 new staff members
 - iv. There is one collaborative learning classroom – two classes share one classroom. So far there is some positive feedback, more info to follow as the year progresses

- e. Shauna Schmitke – Pheonix and EDM
 - i. Wasn't able to attend the PAC meetings

9. Reports:
- a. Treasurer: Submitted Year End budget report:
 - i.

FINANCIAL YEAR END JULY 2016 to JUNE 2017
Campbell River DPAC

GAMING ACCOUNT

July 1 2016	Opening Balance	\$5728.11
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INCOME	EXPENSES	BANK FEES
\$2760.66	\$5304.02	\$47.40

June 30 2017	Closing Balance	\$3137.35
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GENERAL ACCOUNT

July 1 2016	Opening Balance	\$5781.66
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INCOME	EXPENSES	BANK FEES
\$1000.00	\$0	\$47.40

June 30 2017	Closing Balance	\$6734.26
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- i. Notable expenses from the General Account were for three DPAC members to attend the BCCPAC conference and AGM in May 2017.
- ii. Report was 2nd by Shantall and approved.
- iii. The DPAC is looking into using surplus Gaming and General Account funds and collaboration with the School District for guest speakers and parent education throughout the 2017/18 school year. Suggestions are:
 - a. Dr. Kristin Buhr – Child Psychologist, she was a guest speaker at the BCCPAC conference and AGM.
 - b. Sue De Bruin suggested a Victoria professor specializing in how the brain learns and retains information.
 - c. Math education night for parents
- b. District Diary – Nevenka Fair
 - i. Guest speaker Shelley Moore to speak and educate SD72 Staff on “Inclusion”
 - 1. She is doing 3 sessions:
 - a. The first being Sept 29, 2017 at Carhi:

- i. AM presentation to middle and high school
 - ii. PM presentation to elementary schools
 - iii. Parents are welcome to stop by during the sessions
 - iv. Possible evening session for DPAC in the future
 - ii. Kindergarten gradual entry changes were discussed and was a very favorable experience for all.
 - iii. Suggestion to watch Will Richardson: “The Surprising Truth About Schools” TedTalks video. He outlines that studies and information is out on how to help kids develop into powerful learners. Now we just need to make that happen in schools. Video may be shown at next meeting.
- c. Board of Trustees – Joyce McMann
 - i. Need to get actions in place regarding the 5-year Strategic Plan as board elections are next year. This will help transition new board members to be familiarized with the previous board’s Strategic Plan.

Adjournment: 8:38 pm

Next Meeting: October 18th, 2017