

**Southeast Kootenay
District Parent Advisory Council
General Meeting Minutes
Wednesday November 14, 2018**

In Attendance

EXECUTIVE: Tara-TM Roberts (Chair), Lies- Highlands (Secretary)

DPAC REPS and PARENTS Alysha- Jaffray, Ute- Fernie Secondary, Marie- Mount Baker,
REGRETS: Ken-Parkland, Debbie Therrien- Acting DPAC Treasurer

PARTNER GROUPS and GUESTS: Jason Tichauer- Director of Student Learning for Lynn Hauptman, Trina Ayling- Trustee, Shelley Balfour- CDTA President
REGRETS: Lynn Hauptman

Call to Order: 7:01 pm

Acknowledgement of the traditional lands of the Ktunaxa people

Agenda: Approved as circulated/amended

Minutes: (Oct.10, 2018) meeting minutes approved as circulated/amended

Treasurer Report: Presented by Tara (TM Roberts). DPAC will give back \$729.43 of unspent Gaming Funds. See attached report.

Superintendent Report: Presented by Jason Tichauer, see monthly report
Highlights included;

- I. All Superintendents meeting- implementation of graduation program
- II. Student success and the framework for Enhanced Student Learning to change to a more 'stakeholder friendly' report as opposed to graph-based jargon
- III. Remembrance Day ceremonies very successful across the district. The only mandated assembly in the school year
- IV. New provincial initiative for mental health K-12. The action plan involves destigmatizing mental health and changing literacy. Ministry of Education has a new resource for parents teenmentalhealth.org

Trustee Report: Presented by Trina Ayling

Highlights included:

- I. Advocacy- approval of Mount Baker Travel Club students to go to Japan
- II. Recognition of thank you letter to SSSGF from BCCPAC
- III. Board donations for Christmas \$1000 to Cranbrook and \$700 to Fernie

Individual PAC discussion:

- 8.1 Mt Baker: Avalanche Sr Boys game and spaghetti feed Nov. 22, Nov. 21 is the Scholarship meeting, Nov.17 Metis Kitchen Party at the Heritage Inn, Nov. 16 is the Flag raising ceremony
- 8.2 Highlands Elementary has a movie night and the Winter Market coming up
- 8.3 Fernie Secondary's new PAC chair opened a concession for the first time in years, large attendance at PAC meetings!
- 8.4 TM Roberts is building an edible garden and fundraising for new playground equipment

Business from previous meetings:

- 9.1 Robin (FJ Mitchell) offered to be Vice-Chair in the absence of any other offers. Marie (Baker) nominated Robin to be Vice-Chair of DPAC. Elected by acclamation.
- 9.2 Changing BMO signing authority on DPAC account and remove Debbie Therrien, Sarah Mooey, and Julie Botterill. Motioned by Tara (TM Roberts) Lies (Highlands Elementary) second motion. Passed.

New Business:

- 10.1 DPAC Summit summary by Tara. See report. Highlights included the new ERASE revamped website.
- 10.2 There seems to be a positive response to the mini-conference idea between PAC in SD5.

Correspondence:

- 11.1 Request for feedback from the district regarding policy changes. Linnaea asked for more information and where she could access the draft policies. They are located on the website under Board and then policy manual. 2 are new policies and one is existing. Review and send back by required dates.
- 11.2 Discussion regarding effectiveness of FSA. The BCTA is recommending that the testing at least be random among students to find a better grade. They are asking to find better indicators for success.

Questions:

- 12.1 We will communicate by email about the mini- conferences

Meeting adjourned: 7:54 pm. Next meeting Dec. 12, 6:30 pm

Notetaker: Highlands Elementary
Date: Nov. 14, 2018

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