

**Southeast Kootenay  
District Parent Advisory Council  
General Meeting Minutes  
Wednesday January 16, 2018**

**In Attendance**

**EXECUTIVE:** Tara-TM Roberts (Chair), Robin – FJ Mitchell (Vice-Chair), Lies- Highlands (Secretary)

**DPAC REPS and PARENTS** Alysha- Jaffray Elementary/Jr. Secondary, Ute- Fernie Secondary, Annie- Fernie Secondary, Marie- Mt. Baker Secondary

**REGRETS:** Debbie Therrien- Acting DPAC Treasurer, Jen- Steeples

**PARTNER GROUPS and GUESTS:** Wendy Turner- Trustee, Jason Tichauer for Lynn Hauptman - Superintendent, Larry Dureski- CDTA

**REGRETS:**

**Call to Order:** 6:39 pm

**“Acknowledgement of the homelands of the Ktunaxa people”**

**Agenda:** Approved as circulated/amended

**Minutes:** (December 12, 2018) meeting minutes approved as circulated/amended

Add Marie- Baker to regrets for Dec. 12 meeting

**Treasurer Report:** Presented by Tara (TM Roberts).

\$2.50 taken out for bank fees for Nov. and Dec. 2018

2 Cheques to deposit: \$326.28 from BCCPAC and one from the District for \$3000+. February treasurer’s report to reflect these additions.

**Superintendent Report:**

- I. Completion rates which is student success data from the Ministry of Education shows that the most recent ‘cohort’ (Grade 8-12 within BC) has a success rate of 90%, and 93% in SD5 specifically. Indigenous cohort is up to 83% so is up, healthy and growing. Parents can view this info at [studentsuccess.gov.bc.ca](http://studentsuccess.gov.bc.ca) and look by district
- II. The School District had a former student, now author and presenter, come to speak. Eric Termundie has a book called ‘Rethink Work’ and has become a very popular speaker.

**Trustee Report:** Presented by Wendy Turner

Highlights included:

- I. Report from Doug McPhee on the progress of KCT renovations. Funding is almost in place to begin stages 2 & 3 of repairs so that it can be used as a stand-alone theatre separate from Mount Baker in the case that enough funds are raised to build a new high school.
- II. Chris Johns has been working on the 'Legacy of Learning' which is a history of Education in SD%. They are asking schools in the Elk Valley for yearbooks of earlier years. There is a monthly newsletter with info on the history available on the SD5 website.
- III. The amended budget has passed 2 of the 3 readings presented by Rob Norum. The 3<sup>rd</sup> reading will take place in Feb. and will be ready for March.

**Individual PAC discussion:**

- 8.1 Jaffray- looking at having the track repaired. Trustee Turner confirmed that Trustees passed a motion to begin repairs on the track.
- 8.2 Fernie Secondary- nothing to report
- 8.3 TM- nothing to report
- 8.4 Highlands- nothing to report
- 8.5- FJ Mitchell- looking in to fundraising for new playground equipment

**Business from previous meetings:**

- 9.1 Treasurer position not filled yet
- 9.2 Will set up a date with Debbie to change signing authority at bank
- 9.3 We will discuss details of a mini conference at end of meeting

**New Business:**

- 10.1 Time to review and revamp DPAC constitution and by-laws. Section I, II, III, all reviewed with no comments. Will review by-laws at next meeting.

**Correspondence:**

- 11.1 BCCPAC sent out emails calling for nominations for Board of Directors and Call for Resolutions. Also for parent volunteer of the year in each district.

**Questions:**

None

**Meeting adjourned:** 7:17 pm.

Next meeting February 13, 2019

Note taker: Highlands Elementary

Date: January 16, 2019