

DBES PAC Minutes

Tuesday, February 20th, 2024 at 6:30pm

Meeting in DBES Library & via Zoom

In attendance: Victoria, Jessy, Jana, Meghan, Hailey, Kate, Ted, Rae-dene

Regrets: Karen, Rachel, Camille

Welcome meeting called to order at 6:37!

Land acknowledgement

Any revisions to the agenda? Adding in a green house fundraising to new business

Motion to accept the January minutes Kate, Victoria

Motion to accept tonight's agenda, Haley, Victoria

Principal's Report, *Rae-dene Pednaud*

- The proposed 2024-25 school calendar is now available for public consultation until February 22nd. Share your thoughts and feedback with us in the form below!
- After this period, it will return to the Committee of the Whole for a final review in February.
- Following this, it will be presented at the board meeting on March 13th for final approval and submitted to the Ministry.
- [PDF of 2024-25 DRAFT CALENDAR](#)
- Basketball is underway for our Grade 4/5's and 6/7's. This will be followed by Ultimate and Track and Field.
- We are doing a kindness challenge – you may have seen the bingo cards. It has been fun to see staff and students practicing kindness this month!
- Students in Grade 4 and 7 have completed the Student Learning Survey. Staff and parents with students in Grade 4 and 7 are also encouraged to complete the survey:
- The Provincial Student Learning Survey is unique in its scope, size and usefulness to schools. It gathers information from parents/guardians/caregivers, teachers, and students on topics related to school environment, safety, and achievement. The information is used for planning in individual schools and provides a district and provincial perspective.
- We encourage parents/guardians/caregivers to participate in this survey, as the results are important in identifying and celebrating current strengths, as well as determining where the school needs to focus improvement. The surveys contain standard questions for the Province – in addition, questions from the school and/or district that focus on local conditions or issues may be included.

- Simon Hocking and I {Ms. Pednaud} are on the District Strategic Plan Writing Team and began that work today.
- The Grade 6/7's had a one-hour session with Children of the Street about Child Exploitation that did a great job outlining risky online behaviour.
- This week teachers and students are posting their Core Competency Reflections to SPACES. Check out your child's SPACES account to see what they are up to. Teachers will also share this at the March early dismissal days and Informal Updates on March 6th and 7th.
- NEST 6/7 class is off to Hollyburn until Friday. DEN 6/7 class went skating a week ago.
- February 29th is Pink Shirt Day to recognize anti-bullying. We will have the Gibsons Dance Troupe coming to perform for our students.

Community Schools Update, *Ted Chisholm*

- Still transitioning for the food program, looking for parent volunteers for helping hand out food, morning and lunchtime. Approx 11:45- 1:15
- White board has been hung in the kitchen again, please fill out the calendar and use it for notes.
- Need to have a kitchen meeting for all users to determine roles and responsibilities in the kitchen.
- Table has been put back so there is room to move again
- Greenhouse had a blow out with the water. Ted is working to replace. Interested in working on greenhouse fundraising
- Kid's club Sechelt has some space for after school care, please contact community schools for more information

Treasurer's Report, *Victoria Goodier*

Gaming \$6196 – 600 still committed

Regular account \$13310

Rookery raised \$2200? for fieldtrip

DPAC Update, *Jana Curl*

DPAC Report:

Last DPAC meeting was January 25:

- DBES will need a new DPAC rep ASAP. Jana is also the CSS rep and it's better if each school has its own rep.
- Tracey McClelland resigned on January 9th as DPAC Treasurer and Rachel Eastman was nominated and voted into the role. There may be a delay with cheques as co-signers change on record.

SD46 secretary-Treasurer Nicolas Weswick presented a Preliminary Budget Consultation and Discussion.

Recommended Action Items:

1. PAC members are encouraged to view the recorded consultation webinar and fill out the feedback survey:

<https://sd46.bc.ca/district-information/board-of-education-and-governance/budget/>

Reminder! DPAC sponsored Blanket Exercise on Feb 29th at CSS

BCCPAC -Town Hall Advocacy Training February 27, 7-8:30pm The meeting is on zoom and open to all DPAC and PAC members of SD46.

You can subscribe to the trustee blog: <https://sd46.bc.ca/tbemailssubscribe/>

DPAC is looking for a representative at the *Healthy Schools* committee, and members to attend the *Education, Operations, Committee of the whole*. If you are interested, please contact Miyuki or Scott. These are great meetings for parents to be involved in. **Action item – Jana to pass along info to Jessy**

The next DPAC meeting is on February 22, 7pm at Elphinstone Library.

For full minutes, Superintendent and Trustee Reports, please view the full DPAC minutes on the SD 46 site: <https://sd46.bc.ca/families-and-students/dpac/>

New/Ongoing Business

- Gaming grant requests and allotments (voted on by email since last PAC meeting):
 - Kindness Month prizes: \$100
 - Gardening Club, Canopies: \$500
 - Chess Club, Chess Boards: \$150
 - 4/5 Basketball Club, Size 5 basketballs: \$330
 - Hockey sticks, \$262

A request for book bags came in, but it wasn't put to vote as it was classified as a classroom expense, and not applicable for gaming grant funding.

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- Book Fair, *Kate*
 - **Action Item** *Kate to meet with Meghan and Victoria to set up.*
 - *Booked for April 30 – May 2*
 - *Set up April 26*
- DBES Bursary discussion and decision
 - 2 x \$500 scholarships
 - Scholarship committee can decide
 - Must have graduated from DBES
 - Citizenship
 - Jessy made a motion, Kate seconded it
 - **Action Item** Jana to fill out paperwork, Victoria to write cheque

- Feedback for Draft Calendar for 2024-25, *Group*
 - *Reviewed and okayed*
- Succession Plans for the Spring:
 - *DBES DPAC Rep*
 - *Jana currently filling this role but also representing CSS, **Action Item** role needs to be filled*
 - *DBES SCS Rep*
 - *Jana is currently filling this role but graduating out. **Action Item** role needs to be filled*
 - *Fundraising*
 - *Fall fundraising: Tea \$268, coffee \$350, Purdy's \$700, meat \$575, growing smiles broke even.*
 - *Ellen to retire after Purdy's*
 - ***Action Item** – Ellen to transfer knowledge to Haley and Jessy to continue*
 - *Ellen is currently running Purdy's*
 - *Victoria to set up Fisherman's Market fundraiser*
 - *Ellen to contact IGA regarding fundraising*
 - *Grace wants to run sunflower fundraiser for greenhouse, any parents want to help out?*
 - *Other – **Action Item** - Jessy wants to create a haunted house next fall*
- Teacher Appreciation
 - ***Action Item** Kate to set up meeting to plan for Mar 6*
 - *Taco Bar - Kate, Meghan, Jana, Victoria, Ellen*

Meeting adjourned at 8:09 pm

Comments/questions and review upcoming action items.

Goodnight!

Next meeting: April 16th, 2024 in the DBES Library & via Zoom