

DPAC Meeting Minutes
January 24, 2019
Elphinstone Secondary Library

1. Welcome and Introductions / call to order: 7:08pm
Jo Thomson, Patrick Bocking, Stephanie Murawsky, Maria Hampvent, Nic Weswick, Sharon MacKenzie, Amy Robinson, Patti Shields, Marilyn Baines, Udo Rosenburg, Rachel Wiesman, Dirk Larsen, Duncan Knight, Matt Rockall

2. Approval of minutes from last DPAC meeting: Motion to approve as presented. Jo Thomson^{1st} Dirk Larsen^{2nd} Patti Shields -Amendments request: Page 6 – Re:Parenting Teens workshop. Striking Stand-alone statement. “DPAC cannot continue to fund workshop”. Request Struck down. Proposing to add to Agenda and revisit topic.

Approval of tonight’s agenda as is: Jo Thomson^{1st} Dirk Larsen^{2nd}

Marilyn Baines -proposal to amend todays agenda to include: Mental Health and update the website. Jo Thomson^{1st} Matt Rockall^{2nd} all approved

3. Agenda for tonight’s meeting: Approved by all.

4. **Presentation:**
A. Nick Weswick - Secretary-Treasurer SD46

Presentation on the Budget

Strategic plan
Formed by the Board

Take the vision for 4years as operating plan to make goals happen.
Implement any conflicts as changes.

There is a Budget Cycle.
September enrollment can revise budget here.
Consult to public and to groups and process for approved.

The operations committee meets in February.
In March operations commitment can estimate funding per student.
Put together staffing plans in May.
The regular board meeting is in May and balanced budget by June.

- 86% salary and benefits
- 14% service and supplies
- 1mil for school transportation bus

The biggest component is for teacher's salaries, and other professionals and benefits (extended health and pensions).

- Funding comes in by per student basis – a critical component of our budget
- Coming from a decreasing enrollment we are now on the incline again. Enrollment is up. Organic growth pattern.
- 10yrs ago 185 teachers. Now 210 teachers.

Staffing Headcount:

Teacher 323

CUPE 232

Principles and vice principles 18

Excluded 15

These numbers include SPIDER program

They are looking at how to allocate funding. Hearing recommendations about specific medical diagnosis that needs a particular funding.

Needs in district are being addressed. Have a year to learn more about them. Consultations will determine on how we will move forward with these cases.

School district 46 average 16.8 and 20% We are higher than the provincial average in both. Level 2 students (severe behavior and mental illness) higher budget for these students.

We have a Classroom enhancement fund has worked out ok.

Budget decisions need to set funds aside or an allocation for the strategic plan.

We have:

- Implementation fund
- Unrestricted surplus
- Surplus fund

(A lot of it is unspent surplus and positions unfilled. Also have decreased utility costs.)

Table Talk we don't have a strategic plan in place for next year. Looking for feedback and suggestions email

nweswick@sd46.bc.ca

B. Patrick Bocking - Superintendent SD46

Strategic Plan

Inform board for current year. Summarize last year and implementation of plan and accountability.

There are principle meetings and many consultations also including parents. Strategic plan rests on a foundation of our mission and our vision.

The structure of our mission is important to always re visit.

Timeline:

Last November – We went into kitchen with students and they cooked for us. (Teachers and principles and vice principles) Then we had focus group meetings with these students with the educational leaders. We see ourselves as servants to our students.

Series of activities

- December – C.O.W. Committee of the whole. Draft plan for strategic development.
- January 2019- Confirmed key objectives.
- January 24 - DPAC process overview, work thru key questions.
- February – Data based. Collect data from input.
- March - Community input sessions.
- March - Collect data into larger themes.
 - Board will be reviewing all data C.O.W (committee of the whole)
- May - Board Final goals review and edits.
 - Will go back to the community. People can then review and address
- May - Produce final version of goals. Edits from C.O.W.
- June - ED Leadership planning for implementation resource allocation.
 - Plan roll out and discuss 4year plan
- **September** - Plan and allocate with schools

- Launch 2019-2023
Strategic plan

C. Duncan Knight – Principle Langdale Elementary

Strategic Plan goals

- Resilient growth mindset.
- Goal and connection to core competencies.
- A means of creating accountability; school goals and how we meet them.
- We chart that progress and share it.

For Example:

- a. Literacy – how students do DART
- b. Zones of regulation – how students are feeling
- c. Career (measure) core competencies.
- d. Students and self-regulation –practice and social responsibility not showing as competent as students think

- District values and sense of the community thru the school plan.

D. Patrick Bocking On Strategic plan Meeting schedule:

PAC visits - Schedule in place
Principles have all the dates

Need half an hour at each PAC meeting for this presentation.

Plan to meet with all staff about all key questions of strategic plan and themes in sections.

Board will understand (community interest) what parent's, teachers and staff to be itemized in themes. Key words emerged from community. (Created these themes)

The themes are emerging now. (From the input coming in now)

The board needs to know the priorities of the parents, teachers, staff and community.

For example:

Question to PAC

1. *Tell a one-sentence story of something that stands out for you in your K to 12 Education.*

Question:

2. *What do you think makes for an excellent education for students?*

(In your experience or ideas -can come from anywhere in the world)
ie NEST program

Questions

3. *What are the implications for staff?*

4. *What are the implications for community?*

5. *What are the implications for budget priorities?*

Questions Generated from the comments of the community

SD46 Strategic plan 2015-2019 handout

Question:

6. *Which goals do you feel need to stay? Or to go? And also what are we missing?*

Six month long process.

****Feb 15 **beginning the Survey Monkey**

5. **Regular Reports**

- **Chairs Report: Jo Thomson**

A. - Received letter announcing:

We are the Successful recipients of the Gaming Grant. Amount TBA.

B. - BCCPAC

Submission deadline is at the end of February. We are to recognize specific person in our community.

Suggests us taking some names. Invites PACs to be involved in submitting names.

Criteria: recognition is important. Contributions to be from parent and/or PAC that make a difference in the community. Conference May 3-5, 2019

Perhaps two people can go to this conference.

A need a BCCPAC rep. Jo would us to think of a person from DPAC to attend.

Jo attended BCCPAC summit last November and says it was a fascinating summit.

Jo enjoyed summit and made her realize how important DPAC is as a legislative voice for the parents. This voice can make a difference.

Speakers were

Incredible. The Minister was there and spoke of the new curriculum.

Informed of the organizations surrounding the School Act and how they came together.

There was a speaker on the process of raising concerns at school and board level. Including a level above that. Concerns can be heard and addressed. With serious cases the process can take up to 3 years to be resolved.

C. -Printed out updated copy of Constitution and bylaws. Invite all to read over. On district website as well.

D. – Speakers Suggestions for next three months:

1. Kathy Gordon
2. Meghan Molner – Nutritionalist
3. Johan Stroman – sustainable practices
(presentation on potential to be professionals)

Treasurer's Report: Jo Thomson on behalf of Aspen Wing

- – Gaming Account Balance: \$2565.00
 - – Savings Account Balance: \$1112.00
- ** Note: \$1200 approved from Gaming account to fund Parenting Teens workshop.

That is \$600.00 for Elphinstone and
\$600.00 for Pender Harbour
Secondary
Awaiting invoices for both.

6. Superintendent's and Board Report: Patrick Bocking

- a. Grade 3/4 tradition of seeing nutcracker. Free Elementary program partnership very exciting.
- b. January non-instructional day may not continue. Re:Core competencies
- c. Board to decide on calendar for New Year 2019/2020. To be released soon.
- d. Video – on students, questions and insightful answers about their learning. Can view on our UTUBE channel.
- e. Information and news and updates on our website. All our posters and community things we are involved in. Posted on our website.

7. Maria Hampvent - Trustee

November - conference re-visiting Roberts rules and had Provincial speakers

December - Attended concerts

January - School tours

8. Marilyn Baines

Request:

Need for corrections on DPAC website

- 1. Title of page: District Advisory Committee
- 2. Should say: District parent advisory council.

DPAC video on utube offers link to mental health. Note: it is NOT about DPAC but about mental health and should be under changed to be located under parent bar.

This link offers resources for children and mental health.

Marilyn does not feel should be on DPAC page.

Suggests it should relocated to parents page

- Where resources more easily sought (mental health)

-Under parent bar + Mental health. There is different information here.

-Children and mental health team. Representing families.

-Youth resources' information sheet and recommends this be put on the website.

-Mental health and substance abuse resource sheet. Geared for children and youth. Recommends that be on the Bar under parents.

To discuss with Vanessa White to be uploaded on website under parents bar.

Reminder:

DPAC sponsored Parenting Education events: “
Parenting Teens’

Registration: call CCRR at 604-885-5657

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DPAC Meeting Adjourned 9:00pm

**Next Meeting: Feb.28, 2019 Chatelech
Secondary Library**

With guest speaker** Meghan Molner-Public Health
Dietician “Building Healthy Body Image in Youth”