

** DRAFT**

SD46 District Parent Advisory Council Meeting Minutes

February 27, 2020 | Meeting called to order by Chair: Jo Thomson 7:04pm

In Attendance

Jo Thomson	Miyuki Shinkai	Glen Smith	Kelly Nunn
Udo Rosenberg	Marilyn Baines	Kelsey Oxley	Lorena Ruth
Patrick Bocking	Scott Davis	Matt Rockall	
Maria Hampvent	Amy Robinson	Sharon MacKenzie	

Approval of Minutes

Motion: To approve the minutes from last meeting January 23, 2020

Move to motion: Scott Davis, Miyuki Shinkai 2nd

The minutes were accepted as presented

Agenda

Opening comments and approval of Agenda.

Scott Davis 1st, Marilyn Baines 2nd

Presentation

Numeracy – Glen Smith, Numeracy Committee Chair & Principle of Madeira Park Elementary

Numeracy Committee Established February 2016

Purpose: What can we do to support educators to enhance student learning and achievement?

Relation to Strategic Plan.

Goals:

1. To support Teachers and to foster mathematics culture
2. To improve student's ability to understand and communicate math skills

What is Math? Numeracy?

Mathematics involves making calculations and/or come to a conclusion based on relevant facts and figures using traditional algorithms.

Numeracy:

Is defined by the BC ministry of Education:

-Ability, willingness, perseverance to interpret and apply math understanding to solve problems contextualized situations and to analyze and communicate these solutions in ways relevant to the given context.

-Numeracy goes much deeper than traditional mathematics.

Committee Focus:

- Promote: growth mindset
- Enhance: experiential learning and infuse more outdoor experiences and Indigenous culture into mathematics
- Further promote the core competencies from the new BC education curriculum to enhance our Mathematical vision.
- CORE: communication, critical thinking, creative thinking, personal and social responsibility

Committee looks at ways to facilitate:

- Math instructors from around BC who are well versed in the new education curriculum
- Promote Math CAMP collaborating about Mathematics
- Sessions with Presenters Sandra Ball (primary) Selina Miller Iner March Garneau (secondary)

Engaging parents:

- To talk to child about experiences in math. Encourage them to remain positive resilient and brainstorm ways to support.
- Stay in contact with teachers and ask how to be supportive at home.
- Promote numeracy with PAC, DPAC, committees etc
- Practice, review basic skills at Elementary level (ie doubles, doubles+/- 1, make it 10, skip counting & times tables)
- Play math games with cards and dice

(ie explore the deck, crib, snap, 21, war, etc)

To become a mathematic problem solver:

More about exploring and understanding. Cannot just think about linear manner and memorize.

Questions on Presentation:

Glen Smith - gsmith@sd46.bc.ca

Treasurers Report

Scott Davis Reports:

Gaming Account Balance: \$3318. 87

Savings Account Balance: \$1022.00

GR7 Transition Evening funding \$150 to Elphinstone and \$150 Chatelech Secondary and Pender Harbour \$50
Total \$350 funding

DPAC MOTION to approve Grade 7 transition funding total \$350

Motion-Udo Rosenburg, Kelsey Oxley 2nd All in favor

Chairs Report – Jo Thomson

- BCCPAC Convention: DPAC would like to pay for two people to go to the conference and pay up to \$1200 to attend. May 1, 2-3, 2020 April 6 Deadline to submit. Conference cost 300, new attendee \$200 and hotel cost \$170 per night. Note: DPAC and PAC has voting power at BCCPAC

DPAC Motion:

Miyuki makes motion to fund two attendees up to \$1200 for 2-night BCCPAC event. Marilyn Baines 2nd All in favor.

- Family Engagement Committee & Elphinstone PAC hosting Gr7 parents info night.
May 25th 6pm Elphinstone Secondary Library Meeting and Tour.

Kelly Nunn -Lead of youth team Sunshine Coast Community Services

Excited to announce got license to host screening of: “Screenagers” Documentary.

Film-Invites conversations to families. Internet addiction, screen time, addictions, school culture.

Recognizes that more families are struggling with children and screen time.

Amazing Website available - screenagersmovie.com

Templates available to assist parents. As well as parenting apps from documentary.

Technology is changing all the time, shows links to all current research.

Interesting Blogs with different values allowing different viewpoints for families.

Posters to be distributed to Schools and PACS.

April 4 – Elphinstone Secondary gym, Gibsons

April 25 – Chatelech Secondary theater, Sechelt

Free event. Recommended ages 10+ Parents and siblings welcome.

There will be commentary and handouts after the screening.

DPAC motion:

Miyuki Shinkai makes motion of up to \$200 funding for food & refreshments for each event / \$400 total for both events. Udo Rosenburg 2nds. All in Favor

Miyuki to purchase, provide snacks, beverages for this event. Receipts to be forwarded from Kelly Nunn

Patrick Bocking comments on great implications for our students. Would like to know there is connections available for support and questions and concerns to be received with event coordinator and families.

Kelsey Oxley -Halfmoon Bay DPAC Rep

Address: Childcare Funding from Province and Funding for childcare on the Sunshine Coast.

Concerns: Lack of afterschool care in Halfmoon Bay

Sunshine Coast needs 900 more spaces for afterschool care on the sunshine Coast.

There is a lot of funding available thru the Province.

BC families benefit. Up to 100% funding on school grounds for afterschool care. Provincial money available BCCPAC involved.

Patrick Bocking

Response: Announcement was made yesterday. Gives permission for school Districts & opportunity to provide before and afterschool care in our District. Great to hear the funding will be available. Amount to be determined and announced soon. Will keep us informed.

Deadline to apply: May11, 2020 to apply for this grant.

Question> Sharon McKenzie will our District meet this deadline?

Answer>Patrick Bocking: Yes, we can.

Email Question **Tracey Aiken** - Cedar Grove PAC chair

Question: Remote voting. If one forgets to vote at meeting, can PAC do this remotely before the meeting. To review: PAC Bylaws. For example, Fundraiser funding vote. Look at revising PAC bylaw to do remote voting.

Superintendent and Board Report

Patrick Bocking

- Chatelech Newsies" musical runs for two weeks starting February 28
- Launching Environmental Plan lining up goals with Strategic plan. March 31 Education Committee presentation to the Board. Public welcome
- Covid19 – CoronaVirus – update. Email sent out. Precaution and measures to be taken and recommended preventative measures.
- Email/Tweet to go out regarding evolving situation 4 weeks away from Travel Club students Spring Break travel. Meeting in Metro Vancouver to discuss if students to travel or not. Noting: changes are minute to minute.

Maria Hampvent

- Trustees in support of Local Initiative sent letter to Provincial Government to advocate for Local Foundry.
- ADMIN REG 1370 for review (Social Media) School PACs advised.
- Student Trustee J. Carroll – Advocates for public speaking training in District.
- Enrollment projections to gage future staffing for the budget considerations
- Feb. Committee of the Whole discussion: "How to Communicate with Us"
- Waiting patiently for the funding model review roll-out. March 13.

Reminder - Administrative Regulations Report Update

Regulations update: PAC f/b administration should be overseen by principle.

To protect our students, staff and parents.

Continuity is important. If you are representing as PAC It is required to follow District regulation

Next Public board meeting March 4th 4-7pm Board office S Fletcher

Public committee meeting – Tuesday March 31.

- Operations 930-1130am (funding model review prelim presentation)
- Committee of the Whole 12-2 pm
- Education Committee 3-4pm. (climate action plan presentation)

Meeting agendas are available Friday prior to the committee meetings on SD46 calendar of events page, or on governance page

Healthy Schools Committee

Marilyn Baines Report: February 4, 2020 Meeting:

Discussion/updates:

- Student violence Threat Risk Assessment (VTRA) and ERASE website
- Substance Use Panels – new format for panels, student and teacher surveys, and school schedules now out.
- Regulations under review: Food in Schools, Immunization per (VCH) Regulations “Healthy Eating” Pro D day. Is this a possible topic for a DPAC meeting?
- Involvement of SCR D particularly the Rec Center programming as so significant in student health and wellness. Opportunities for collaboration and input around potential gaps in after school programming, transportation etc. Relevant to share MDI findings.
- **Stepping into Kindergarten (for 4year olds)**
 - **Sechelt Health Unit: April 21-23, 2020**
 - **Gibsons: May 6 and May 7, 2020**
 - **Sechelt Nation: May 13, 2020**
- Do we need Big Brothers/Big Sisters? If so where to from here?

Collaboration with Children’s Hospital (Rural Health Literacy Grant) Meetings

1. Pathways to Care Navigation Tool under Revision
2. Programming re MDI data being developed considering:
 - a) Re Physical health and well being only 52% of our student’s identity themselves as thriving.
 - b) Priority areas identified: Nutrition sleep

Foundry

Last stage submission called “Convening” sent Feb.20,2020. Hope to hear results in early March.

At least 6 of 19 communities to be selected.

Several Education initiatives are currently scheduled locally including:

- Presentation: Adverse Childhood Experiences (ACEs)
with Dr. Rob Lehman RMD and Dr. Rahul Gupta RMD
Thursday April 2nd, 2020
Chatelech Secondary Theater
5-7pm (Includes Dinner from 6-6:45pm)
To register:
<https://sd46.bc.ca/district-information/professional-development-event-registration/>
email: kturner@sd46.bc.ca
- Learn to Cope with Stress – Teen mindfulness Groups Ages 13-17
The next Teen Mindfulness Group starts after Spring Break
This program runs after school and meals are provided
Contact 604.865.0167 to register today, alademann@sccss.ca

Discussion

Event: Intermediate Math, Helping Parents to Help Kids

Presented by Laurie Beesting, a math educator with over 28years experience with children and youth.

Author of “Bridge the Gap Math” Helps students to build confidence in fundamental math skills.

Tuesday March 10 Elphinstone School Library 7-8:45pm

For parents with children in Grades 4-8+

Babysitting available. Contact martial.guillaud@gmail.com (778).997.0470

DPAC approved \$300 to support the event. The executive approved an additional \$100. Total funding \$400

-Kairos Blanket Reconciliation exercise: Event for Parents only:

The KAIROS Blanket Exercise program is a unique, participatory history lesson – developed in collaboration with Indigenous Elders, knowledge keepers and educators – that fosters truth, understanding, respect and reconciliation among Indigenous and non-indigenous peoples

Kerry Mahlman provided date available: **April 16 Elphinstone 530-630pm**

DPAC Suggested one-night event

DPAC Motion

Miyuki Shinkai motion to spend \$250 in total for Blanket exercise funding. Event food and gift for presenter.

All in favor.

Meeting adjourned 9:04

Next Meeting

April 23, 2020

7pm Pender Harbour Secondary Library