

DRAFT COPY SD46 District Parent Advisory Council Meeting Minutes

October 24, 2019 | *Meeting called to order by* Chair: Jo Thomson 7:02pm

In Attendance

Jo Thomson	Patty Shields	Miyuki Shinkai	Debbie Rockall
Udo Rosenberg	Marilyn Baines	Kelsey Oxley	Lorena Ruth
Patrick Bocking	Scott Davis	Matt Rockall	Jeff Marshall
Maria Hampvent	Amy Robinson	Kerry Malhman	

Approval of Minutes

Motion: To approve the minutes from last meeting September 26, 2019

Move to motion: Marilyn Baines, Miyuki Shinkai 2nd

The minutes were accepted as presented

Agenda

Opening comments and approval of Agenda.

Scott Davis 1st Patty Shields 2nd

Presentation

Indigenous Culture - Kerry Mahlman

SD46 Strategic Plan connection with vision, mission and affirmation.

The Board of School District 46 affirms its commitment to Indigenous Peoples and Reconciliation by building relationships and deepening understanding of Indigenous history, worldviews, and ways of knowing.

This affirmation appeals to Indigenous children and families, but the hope is that all the students and families in our community will feel this way.

- Focus is educating students with Indigenous history and examining all our rights together. Charter of Rights and Freedoms.
- BC focus to build true and lasting reconciliation and calls to actions.
- How it fits in relation to the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples into Provincial Law.
- A B.C. Focus with Education. Indigenous Education for everyone.
- Equity, access and improving outcomes for Indigenous learners by making systemic shifts and through integrating Indigenous worldviews into perspectives into learning.

- BC Tripartite Agreement recognizes:
First nations students will fulfill their education potential with access.
Quality First Nations education includes standards programs & services. School education supports investments that provide tools.
- Education research confirms: all students benefit from exploring diverse worldviews and cultural experiences.
- Deepens their understanding.
- Strategic Plan goal; Our students will explore thru curriculum.
- Every element of curriculum has points for students and teachers to explore how Indigenous People had done tasks and explore the differences of how they are done today.
- With our curriculum, Shishalh and Squamish people invited to take part in educating.
- Can inform students how certain items were made and or used. Preparation of the material etc. for clothing and materials. They inspire history lesson and exploration of historic items. (culture basket)
- Teachers encouraged to take time to ask.
- Ways of learning and doing include encouraging people to go out and do what the Indigenous people were doing in forest spaces etc. To explore the culture, connections and differences.
- We Use Principles of learning and the teachers use them for lesson planning.
- Educate the students that our parents may have had a different education about Indigenous people and that our viewpoint could be different.
- Local high school students take part in the Blanket Exercise program.
This program is encouraged to be explored through Parent and or PAC groups.
- Language and culture programs at Kinnikinnick and Chatelech.
With First People's approach. To give staff members the resources they need to take things forward.
Indigenous approach is taken in particular course subjects.
- English First Peoples English Course. Has Indigenous voices within it. Offered at Chatelech and Elphinstone.
- First Nations studies offered as well.

Our Indigenous and non-Indigenous people have the opportunity learn together in the history and education of First Nation History and Culture. They are given a rich experience to go out and experience outdoor activities together.

Treasurers Report

Aspen Wing

Reports: Received gaming grant (\$2500)

Gaming Account Balance: \$3678.19

Savings Account Balance: \$994.00

Committee Report

Chairs Report – Jo Thomson

- BCCPAC Summit Conference Nov15/16,2019
Miyuki Shinkai and Jo Thomson to attend.
- Andrea Sinclair from BCCPAC will be Visiting the Sunshine Coast to have a presentation for our Community. November 5, 2019
Location: Chatelech Secondary Library 7pm coffee/tea and snacks provided
- Patty Shields moves Motion to approve covering cost for Andrea Sinclair's accommodation & food subsidy. Matt Rockall 2nd Motion All in favor.
- Note: Rockall Bed and Breakfast and option for accommodation.
- Requests: set up crew for the presentation.

Superintendent and Board Report

Patrick Bocking

1. K survey completed. Works with care providers and what childrens needs will be entering Kindergarten. Data to support our teachers.
2. Train in Trades program. Auto Service Program and Professional Cook program currently running.
3. Mental Health, Kate Kerr supporting Mental Health first aid training. To acknowledge challenges in students.
4. Most PACs have heard the Strategic Plan Presentation.
5. Nicolas Sontag center a great partner with SD46 biodiversity program Gr3.
Doors open to Teachers for open house at the Sontag Center.
6. Student forum developed by student leadership team and provides feedback from student perspective
Main concerns: Environmental issues and climate change, Vaping, substance abuse, mental health.
7. Gr11 to go to YMCA October 30, 2019 for Education in these topics. Student leadership to discuss results. Data walk of student's perspectives on these topics. Training for youth facilitators provided.

Maria Hampvent-Board Report

Student trustee to come back to us with report about Gr11 voting day.

Number of events for Trustees coming up. Conferences to report back on.

Healthy Schools Committee

Marilyn Baines

Healthy Schools Committee

Meeting held October 7, 2019

1. Project is in initial planning stages with Children's Hospital Health Literacy team to support mental health and social emotional wellness of SD46 students. Focus possibilities include:
 - a. Peer support programming

- b. Substance use education and dialogue, and
- c. Revising the SCCYMHSU Local Action Team “Pathways to Care: Navigation Tool.

- 2. Regulation #3110: Head lice is under review: Parents are urged to review the regulation (see SD46 website) and provide feedback.
- 3. Regulation #3090: Food in Schools is also under review. Please review comments above.
- 4. Vaping: Tamara Staley spoke to the rising incidence among youth. Planning for education programming in schools and in community was outlined. Prevention as well as assistance with quitting are priorities. Under review, regulation #3240 “Student Substance Use” is on the SD46 website.

SCChildren and Youth Mental Health and Substance Use Local Action Team (LAT)

Meeting held October 17, 2019

- 1. Planning for continuing the school panels re: cannabis and substance use for SC grade 7 students is underway. Dates are yet to be determined.
- 2. The LAT is heavily involved in developing a document outlining the situation and gaps in provision of services to SC children and youth experiencing mental health and substance use challenges and their families. It will be a focus document for potential targets in the search for additional sources for funding. The needs identified cross all area from prevention and assessment through crisis and ongoing care to rehabilitation.

Pathways to hope Document, report brought out last June. Released across the Province.

Our community is unique for a variety of reasons:

-Lack of affordable housing, long waits for assessments relating to lack of multifaceted problem.

Hoping this document will be approved so people can source out new options for funding.

Executive Election

Nominations for:

Chair

Matt nominates Jo Thomson re-elected as Chair, Marilyn 2nd

Vice Chair:

Patty Shields nominates Matt Rockall Scott Davis All in favor

Treasurer:

Miyuki Nominates Scott Davis, Kelsey 2nd All in favor

Secretary:

Miyuki nominates Amy Robinson Jo Thomson 2nd all in favor

Member at Large:

Jo Thomson nominates Lorena Ruth

Subject to confirmation

Discussion

Parent Engagement:

Dinner was a success. Great connections with PAC and SD46 Education members

Huge thanks to Stephanie Murawsky for organizing such a great event.

Betty Baxter was a great presenter with valuable education and tools for PAC chair and members.

Family support Institute of BC

Local Contact Rep for family member with disability issues.

Contact

Coastalcaty16@gmail.com

Several Education initiatives are currently scheduled locally including:

- Addiction Education series – on now in Sechelt
Monday Evenings 6-8pm
Sechelt Hospital Mental Health & Addictions Building
No registration required/Free
For information contact: andie.stowe@vch.ca 604.885.6101 ext 4428
- Teens in Control
Upcoming dates Oct. 16-Dec4 / We
Wednesdays 4-6pm
Venue TBA
www.bcsc.org/kidsincontrol
For more information & to register:
Contact Adriana Lademann 604.865.0167 alademann@scsc.ca

Next Meeting

November 28, 2019

7pm Chatelech Secondary Library