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## SD46 District Parent Advisory Council Meeting Minutes

November 28, 2019 | *Meeting called to order by* Vice Chair: Matt Rockall 7:03pm

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### In Attendance

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Lorena Ruth	Patty Shields	Miyuki Shinkai	Maria Hampvent
Udo Rosenberg	Kelsey Oxley	Linda Brisebois	Amy Robinson
Patrick Bocking	Sandy Magnassan	Matt Rockall	Rachel Eastman

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### Approval of Minutes

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Motion: To approve the minutes from last meeting October 24, 2019

Move to motion: Patty Shields 1<sup>st</sup> Miyuki Shinkai 2<sup>nd</sup>

The minutes were accepted as presented

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### Agenda

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Opening comments and approval of Agenda.

Marilyn Baines no report. Will bring update next month.

Patty Shields 1<sup>st</sup> Miyuki Shinkai 2<sup>nd</sup>

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### Presentation

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**Digital Literacy** - Sandy Magnasson, Inclusion Technology Coordinator

Works with groups- teaching accessibility.

Also goes in classroom often working with teachers.

Bridge with IT and support services. Her role is teaching.

SD46 Strategic Plan

**Mission:**

To support and inspire each student to experience joy and fulfillment in realizing their potential as a knowledgeable confident and contributing citizen in the global community.

**Goals:**

Our students will have the digital literacy skills to enhance and communicate their learning, and to responsibly navigate technology.

## Digital Literacy

Is the interest attitude and ability of individuals to use digital technology and communication tools appropriately to access, manage, integrate, analyze and evaluate information, construct new knowledge and create and communicate with others.

- Support
  - Classroom lessons using technology. USL model
  - Workshops and Loan-bank of tech tools
  - Engage for professional resources for inclusion and ADST
  - Bridge IT and the classroom
- ADST
  - Applied science skills and technologies
  - Engage as central repository for Digital Literacy resources
  - New lessons for all grades available now.
  - Digital citizenship curriculum – (handout for PAC login from home)
  - Common sense education website ERAC [bcerac.ca](http://bcerac.ca)
  - Site Also has a parent section for recourses
  - Teachers access this site as well.
- Read and Write in SD46 – Literacy Tool
  - Installed in macbook pro and air
  - District license for kids to use at school and or at home.
  - Activation code to start up keyboard in Ipads
  - Logging in to your SD46 Google account gives access in the Chrome Browser.
  - Read and Write as a Universal Support
  - Can use in Elementary and at age 13 get their own account in Highschool.
  - Google App for Education
  - Meeting the needs for every student.
  - PC, Mac and Chrome books too. Can work with web pages and documents.
  - Can highlight text and it will read outloud. Speech to text helps those who can't type well.
  - Has word dictionary, translator. Highlighters assist.
  - Can download/install with help desk to any home device.
  - Spider program students have access.
  - This program helps also that students don't have to rely on flash drives.

In a UDL framework, using digital tools supports students who have a learning disability a visual impairment English language learners and at some point everybody

Log into BC Digital Access

Shows all tools to our students. IE national geographic magazines.

World book student – Individual account has a toolbar. Can program settings to learning preference.

This allows universal support. Students can change the speed of speech etc

Picture dictionary, Text can be highlighted in sections to focus better.

Can highlight different concepts they are learning about. Can highlight words that allows them

To read and condense the highlighted words or ideas and can gather those highlighted ideas and can bring it to a new document. Great tool for short stories essays etc. Can use the features of read&write in the document.

The program can predict what they are thinking or Can use talk and type.

Provide a great tool for decoding esp for students have difficulty reading.

Digital literacy includes-digital safety, and care.

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## Treasurers Report

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Scott Davis

Reports: Transfer of signing authority has been requested for Scott Davis. Signing follow up TBA

Gaming Account Balance: \$3415.12

Savings Account Balance: \$959.28

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## Committee Report

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Chairs Report – Jo Thomson

- Andrea Sinclair presentation:  
Constitutions and bylaws. We maintain copies. Be aware of your conditions and bylaws.

- 3 parents have joined SOGI sommittee
- Lorena Ruth has been approved as Member at Large.
- BCCPAC Summit report -Miyuki Shinkai and Jo Thomson attended Nov 15&16

46 out of 60 Districts in BC had DPAC reps attend. Felt very proud to be a part of these teams coming together. PAC members from up north attended as well.

BCCPAC a voice of the parents at provincial level. Discuss matters around budget forum.

Summit included Funding model review and Inclusive Education Learning Policy, which will bring a collective, and system wide focus to supporting student success. Parents were able to cast voice.

Next BCCPAC conference May 1-3, 2020. Lots of workshops. Encourages each PAC to send a member.

Ministry of Education will attend. Parents voice around education will be evaluated.

New funding applied September 2020. Formula funding for each district to be explained.

Indigenous Education an important topic being discussed.

Kairos Blanket exercise to be encouraged to take place again.

Miyuki would like to see a motion for DPAC to present the blanket exercise for parents and students.

DPAC supports Miyuki to inquire with Kairos (blanket ceremony) to attend as speaker.

To examine possibilities for best format and time to have her attend.

PAC members please discuss this topic at PAC meetings to see if there is interest to attend this presentation in the spring.

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## Superintendent and Board Report

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### Patrick Bocking

- Monthly SD46 newsletter available. Sign up on the website with email address.
- PRO-D day EA, teachers, maintenance staff at Elphinstone gym discussing Strategic plan.
- Working with YVR coastal health – finding ways to get students to school with more walking, biking etc. Physical health benefits.
- Student forum

Mental health, climate change, substance use and vaping.

Vaping - Significant issue in the high schools. Addressing at elementary level too.

Nicotine withdrawals are becoming visible.

Finding ways to Educate, and discipline around use in school etc. There was a range of feedback from youth around these issues. They are aware of the social challenges. Sensitive to the challenges. Next steps are to figure out ways to manage these issues and support our children.

- Student Leadership on board of trustees. Connection and network with voices being heard.

They feel they have an opportunity to make an impact and gain skills to being in different organizations. IE Roberts Rule of Order.

Also bridges gap between schools and being an advocate for the school and having connection with the faculty and voice needs for education.

Video on SD46 Utube channel.

- Updates on Website – superintendent's report.
- Indigenous Education – influencing our Education

### **Boards Report** - Maria Hampvent

Annual election -Same chair Pam and Stacia

Positions stated in the local paper and posted on-line. Will also be published in trustee minutes next month.

5 out 7 trustees currently at Academy

Keeping in contact with notion of free buses for students on Coast

Proud of student Government Youth voice

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## Healthy Schools Committee

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Marilyn Baines

### Healthy Schools Committee

Next Report January 2020

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](mailto:andie.stowe@vch.ca) 604.885.6101 ext 4428

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## Board Report Discussion

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There is a current parent seat available on the Operations committee, committee of the whole, and Education committee. Option to attend all or any time slot:

1. Operations Committee 9:30 a.m. -11:00 a.m.
2. Committee of the Whole 11:15 a.m. – 1:45 p.m.
3. Education Committee 2:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Please advise if PAC member or parent are able to attend any of the meetings: Dec 17 is the next Meeting:

All information available on the trustee website. The agendas are posted five days in advance. Meeting are the fourth Tuesday of every month.

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## Next Meeting

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January 23, 2020

7pm Elphinstone Secondary Library