SD46 - DPAC Meeting Minutes April 27, 2017 7:00 Chatelech Library

In attendance: David Barnum, Udo Rosenberg, Dave Mewhort, Christie Tottem, Aspen Wing, Rachel Watson, Jennifer Boulton, Patty Shields, Maria Hampvent, Tim Howard, Marilyn Baines, Mark Heidebrecht, Jeff Marshall, Haida Bolton, Jo Thomson.

Acting Chair: Jo Thompson Acting Secretary: Haida Bolton

7:00 Meeting called to order

- Minutes of February 23rd meeting accepted: moved by Aspen; seconded by Patty
- Agenda for tonight accepted: moved by Rachel; seconded by Christie
- David Barnum gave a presentation and report about Core Competencies, recapping some information. He showed us posters on social responsibilities, positive personal and cultural identity, creative thinking and communication. He showed us videos on these topics which we then discussed in small and large groups about how the core competencies were illustrated in the videos. Next he led some discussion about Fresh Grade.
- Jo read the Chair's report noting
 - 1. Spring Conference is next weekend. Is anyone interested? No one responded.
 - 2. Every school should have a PAC and DPAC rep that attends meetings. The Board is creating a draft formal policy to look at next month.
 - 3. Webinar on deeper understanding of childhood anxiety
 - 4. All candidates meeting is Monday, May 1st with a focus on Education
- Jo read the Treasurer's report noting
 - 1. The March 31, 2017 closing balance in the gaming (chequing) account is \$1783.
 - 2. The closing balance in the savings account on March 31 is \$788.
 - 3. Total combined balance is \$2,571.
- Dave Mewhort gave a report from the Board.
- Superintendent was absent.
- Marilyn Baines gave a Healthy Schools Committee Report
 - 1. Vanessa White gave good information on a workshop being created about phentanyl; antidote is "Naloxene."
 - 2. Funding is secured for (MVP) Mentoring Violence Prevention program.
 - 3. Mental Health Week starts May 7th.
 - 4. Vanessa is willing to make a presentation at an upcoming meeting.
 - 5. More conversation at meeting about mental health and how to engage people about the issues. One thing coming in the future, in May 2018, is a "Family Expo," an all day event on a Saturday with an emphasis on Wellness and Prevention.

- 6. Space is being made available in schools for a doctor for drop-in visits. "Stay tuned!"
- Jennifer Boulton from Davis Bay Elementary gave a report about her PAC and school:
 - 1. Five years ago they only had 45 students and today enrollment is at 180.
 - 2. Volunteer base has not grown in proportion to enrollment, but there always seems to be enough help to get things done... like popcorn, hot lunch, breakfast, greenhouse for school, NEST program and fundraisers.
- Tim Howard from Roberts Creek Elementary gave a report about his PAC and school:
 - 1. Wanting to hear from other schools what they do to engage parents because it took until late October to get a full PAC executive together.
 - 2. They did run some successful fundraisers from individual parents who stepped forward.
 - 3. Their Spring Fling is May 6th and everyone is invited. He will email Allyson.
 - 4. Discussion was had with parent and principal input as to how to frame conversations with parents to engage them with and in the PAC.
- Next meeting is May 25th at Chatelech
- Meeting adjourned at 8:35pm