



The Central Okanagan Parent Advisory Council (COPAC)
The Umbrella Organization of Parent Advisory Councils in School District #23
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MINUTES

Date of Meeting: Monday November 2 2020

Location: By Zoom

Members Present:

Schools Represented:

AME		ASM		BHE		BGE	X	BME		CAS	X	CTE		CLE	X	DRE		DWE	X
ELE	X	GPE	X	GME	X	GRE		HGE		HRE		MJE		NGE		OTS		PLE	
PSE		PGE	X	QGE	X	RAY	X	RVE		RLE	X	SLE		SKE		SRE		SVE	X
WAT	X	CNB		DRK		GMS		KLO	X	RMS		SMS	X	GESS	X	KSS	X	MBSS	X
OKM		RSS	X																

Executive Present:

Cherylee M.(President), Vivian E. (Vice President) Janet D.(Treasurer), Lisa F. (Secretary),Jeremy J. (Member at Large), Lahine F. (Member at Large), Nicole G.(Member at Large)

BCCPAC:

District Staff:

Superintendent of Schools/CEO: Kevin Kaardal
 Deputy Superintendent: Terry Beaudry

Trustee:

District Trustee: Amy Geistlinger & Moyra Baxter

COTA:

Susan Bauhart

Guests:

Purpose: General Meeting

Distribution: Public

Written By: Lisa F., Vivian E.

Meeting Guidelines and Agreements

- Seek first to understand, then to be understood
- Demonstrate mutual respect: respect people and ideas. Such respect does not necessarily represent agreement. Everyone has a voice.
- Be confidential and use discretion
- Respect everyone's time. Limit discussion to that which is on the agenda, add additional items to the end of the agenda to be discussed if there is time.
- This meeting is not a venue to discuss specific individuals, schools or situations. Please contact the President directly with any concerns of this nature

1.0 Call to Order

7:03 PM – Call to Order

Called By: Janet D. (Treasurer)

2.0 Guest Speaker

No Guest Speaker

3.0 Approve the Agenda

Motion to accept: Jeremy Jardine, Belgo Elementary
 2nd by: Roseanne Kufeldt, Dorothea Walker Elementary

4.0 Adoption of Minutes from: Date of Last Meeting: October 5 2020

Notes to amend:

- Correct name under 5.0 from Sahara to Zahara; noted by Deanie Zahara
- Correction to spelling of name from Moira to Moyra

It was noted by several that the email with the zoom link and attached Agenda and Meeting Minutes had not been received. Cherylee noted that her and Jeremy are working on updating the distribution list and asked if anyone who did not receive the email to please contact her with contact information.

Motion to accept: Nicola Baker, Chute Lake Elementary

2nd by: Miriam Desjardins - Casorso Elementary

5.0 COPAC Community/Connections

Paula Morrison, RSS & RMS, asked for board input regarding the media that came out regarding RMS not being replaced and also about transportation issues regarding the lack of midday. Moyra Baxter, Trustee, responded saying that RMS is #1 priority on the school replacement list, but it is up to the Ministry of Education for approval. The busing issue was referred to Kevin Kaardal, Superintendent, who said that most of the questions have been answered to parents through the school principals and he suggested that is where specific questions should be addressed. He said that the challenge is the lack of bus drivers to bus every school student home at midday, and the schools without midday busing have safety plans in place to accommodate students in the school and any concerns should be addressed to the Principal.

Roseanne Kufeldt, DWE asked about hot lunches and what the current protocol is. Kevin Kaardal answered that at this time PACS are not able to provide Hot Lunches, but is reviewing ways that perhaps with training for volunteers Hot Lunches can be considered in the future.

Jammie Patterson, SVE asked if there are any resources for online fundraisers, Kevin Kaardal responded that there is nothing specific that he knows of but suggested BCCPAC may be able to provide resources.

Moyra Baxter suggested that now is a good time to consider the other functions of PACs and not worry as much about fundraising and push representatives to increase funding to the education system and reduce reliance on PAC fundraising to run school programs as at this time it is unfortunate that PACS are stressing about fundraising..

5.1 Community Updates

5.2 BCCPAC Updates

5.3 Questionnaire Handout

6.0 District Committees

6.1 Safe Schools Committee

Last meeting was on October 7th, Next meeting November 4th.

Deannie Zahara reported that the committee created a survey considering the purpose of the committee.

Paula Morrison, asked if Deannie could take something to the next meeting and communicate the challenges with the construction, Moyra Baxter said that the construction matter isn't as much as a committee matter (and likely why the committee is having a survey to define the purpose of the committee), but should be communicated immediately through the superintendent's office, as they do have a Safety Officer as a resource. Roseanna Kufeldt, DWE asked what the best forum would be to communicate issues with school zone safety and the Superintendent replied that it would be best to communicate with the Principal who can then connect with the Safety Officer.

6.2 Human Rights Committee

Next meeting December 3rd

6.3 Public Education Awareness Committee

Next meeting November 17th

6.4 Early Years Partnership Committee

Lindsay Roberts (PGE) reported that there will not be another meeting until January.

6.5 Health Promoting School

Next meeting December 3rd

6.6 Indigenous Education

Janet Dillion presented Cherylee's notes: Indigenous Parent and Family Education Council Executive meetings were held on October 21 and October 31st. The next parent and family night is to be confirmed. Currently, the team is working on engaging parents through social media and updating the school web page. There is a newsletter that will begin publishing this week, which will include a section for Indigenous Advocates, and the IPFEC announcements. The IPFEC has continued to network with community partners, including an addition to other family based newsletter distribution outlets. The IPFEC will be attending the next Indigenous Education Staff meeting, as an introduction and collaborative opportunity to support students and families. The IPFEC updated emails are as follows: Cherylee Morrison, President IPFEC.Pres@sd23.bc.ca and Roberta Shaw IPFEC.Rep@sd23.bc.ca

7.0 Board Committees

7.1 Education and Student Services

Next meeting November 18 at 6:00 pm

Vivian Evans, COPAC VP attended the last meeting and notes are as follows:

2020 Implementation Day was presented. Focus on using Aboriginal customs to incorporate and learn curriculum outcomes.

Fundamental Skills Assessment results are needed for Admin. Referred to be discussed in January.

Discussed substantial proposals to policy 540: Be inclusive of anti-racist resources and initiatives; uphold truth and reconciliation calls and inclusion of indigenous identity.

7.2 Public Board Meeting

Next board meeting November 10 at 6 pm

Vivian Evans attended October 14 and October 28th Board meetings.

The October 14th meeting had an Okanagan Language Teaching presentation from Every Child Matters. The Board also approved moving forward with review of the Long Term Facilities Plan for 2020/21 (see committee note below).

The October 28th meeting, two issues were addressed: Chief Tomat and North Glenmore Elementary schools each received \$50,000 Loan Enhancement Agreement from the Board for playground improvements, topping up funding provided by the Ministry.

Chat Note Supplemental:

From Amy to Everyone: 07:53 PM

Each school was given a \$125,000 grant from the Ministry of Education to fund new playgrounds. Since that money does not cover the entire cost of the new universally accessible playground, that is the reason why they have applied for the additional loans.

Vivian asked, in regards to E-school with over 700 students, which was discussed (Oct 28), Vivian asked how the parents are represented, if there is a PAC? Kevin Kaardal answered that there has typically not been a PAC for E-School as the numbers have been lower and often are Secondary School Students that are taking extra courses, but if there is an interest from E-School parents to form a

PAC to contact E-School Principal Jordan Kleckner and the issue can be examined, although noted that PAC would need to be formed through Board Policy.

7.3 Planning and Facilities Committee

Next meeting will be November 4 at 4 pm

Vivian Evans, VP reported that the Long Term Facilities Plan put out Survey for consultation and mentioned that H S Grenda would have French Immersion option reviewed.

7.4 Finance and Audit Committee

Next meeting November 4 at 4 pm

7.5 Policy Committee

Cherylee Morrison, COPAC President, attended the last meeting on May 06. 2 report highlights are as follows:

The Policy Committee recommended to the board to approve the amendments of Policy 436R “Managing Students with Medical Alert/Anaphylaxis Conditions and Regulations”; and to move the item “Student Placement and Regulations” policy 405R to the next meeting.

The next meeting is 4pm November 04, 2020. We have an available seat for a COPAC attendee, ask if anyone is interested. Email Cherylee for meeting information.

8.0 SD23 INFORMATION

8.1 Trustee Report:

Amy Geistlinger, Trustee, addressed the amount of surveys and consultation emails and has some concern that parents don't pass on engaging with the consultation process and to encourage PACS and COPAC to encourage engagement. She explained that things have been put off a lot due to COVID there is a lot of catch up regarding these issues.

Next Education and Student Services Meeting on November 18th FSA testing will be discussed and it would be helpful to have input regarding that especially from different viewpoints.

Upcoming Townhall Zoom Meetings: November 12 HS Grenda & November 16 KSS

Amy also shared what she has heard from students, that lots are feeling confident and safe regarding COVID due to the procedures in place and the actions staff in responding to cases, but they are feeling challenged with the Quarterly system and that afternoon classes are getting less instructional time.

8.2 Superintendent (or designate) Report

Kevin Kaardal, Superintendent, reported things are going relatively well, although concern regarding recent exposures at KSS. IHA has complimented the district on the protocols in place.

8.3 COTA

Susan Bauhart, COTA, thanked Amy Geistlinger, Trustee, for her report on feedback from students. Not much to report, just that things are continuing on and that teachers are teaching as they can.

9.0 Officers Reports

9.1 President – Cherylee M.

Cherylee Morrison, President, reported that she has contacted Cuyla Varey, the District Learning Center Program Facilitator; in regards to getting a training session set up. The information session will be for PAC Presidents to learn more about the navigation and use of their District email accounts and utilizing the Zoom software platform. We are currently awaiting a date and evening time that this information set up will be offered. There will be an option advertised as well for questions to be submitted prior to Cuyla's presentation.

District email password reset has been completed, Cherylee requests for anyone needing access to their SD23 email to contact her for a password.

Next Executive meeting in November is at 6:00 via zoom, date TBA. As always, members are welcome to attend, however only the executive can have a formal vote on matters during these meetings.

9.2 Vice President – Vivian E.

Vivian Evans put forth two ideas for presentations and asked COPACS Reps to provide feedback, if there is interest in one or both of these two options:

- Implementation Day Indigenous Learning
- Social Emotional Learning

Presentations would likely be in the new year.

Wanted to know what the consensus was from the board about RMS, Moyra Baxter, Trustee, confirmed that it is a priority with the Board but needs to be approved by the Ministry and confirmed that BCST (BC School Trustees) passed a motion to advise the Ministry to take future numbers into account to avoid overcrowding.

Has said that in the past COPAC Reps had emails provided by the district.

9.3 Treasurer – Janet D.

October statements not available yet, the balance of the gaming account approximately \$1,216 plus expected \$2,500
General account \$4,300.73

Will be issuing cheques soon for BCCPAC for registrations, but Janet is missing many schools and has requested that schools contact her. Copac.Treasurer@sd23.bc.ca

9.4 Secretary – Lisa F.

Nothing to report

9.5 Member at Large – Lahine F.

Not much to report. Had PIE meeting before tonight's COPAC meeting. Still working on getting PIE logo organized. Shared question relayed to her from a high school student, about students in high school needing to isolate wondering about work load and how that it is organized. Keving Kaardal, Superintendent, replied that there are protocols in place for relaying instruction.

9.6 Member at Large – Nicole G.

Nothing to report

9.7 Member at Large - Jeremy J.

If you need zoom access for your PAC meeting please send the list of dates for your meetings to copac.atlarge1@sd23.bc.ca

9.0 Motion to Adjourn, 8:53 pm Janet Dillon.

Next meeting - Monday Dec 7, 2020 at 7pm - via Zoom