

Delta District Parent Advisory Council (Delta DPAC) C/O Delta School Board 4485 Harvest Drive, Delta, BC, V4K3C9 Email: <u>deltadpac@gmail.com</u> Website: dpac.deltasd.bc.ca

DPAC GENERAL MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday, October 17, 2022 Location: Delta School District Office & Virtual via Zoom Time: 7:00 PM – 9:00 PM

Members In Attendance:

Jennifer Rak -DPAC Chair/Brooke Annette Kozicki -Annieville Diane Chubb -Neilson Grove Crystal Robinson - Chalmers Jane Swinglehurst -Beach Grove Rebecca Lee -DPAC Member at Large/SDSS Lakhvir Brar -DPAC Vice. Chair/Seaquam Julia Mellish -Holly Kelly Bhandal -DPAC Secretary/McCloskey Catharine Russell-Smith -DPAC Parent Ed/Sands Carrie Elder - DSS Michelle Fuchs-Pebble Hill Simran Dhillon - DPAC Treasurer/Burnsview Sarah Ngo - Richardson

Members In Attendance: Virtual via Zoom

Nikki Joshi - Sunshine Hills Justyna Axelson -Cliff Drive Tessa Geldreich -South Park Devinder Arora -Delview Tanya Foley -Hawthorn Garima -Cougar Canyon Vanessa -English Bluff Stevie -Devon Gardens

Call to Order and Welcome: 7:02



Guests in Attendance:

- Doug Sheppard Superintendent, Delta School District
- Val Windsor School Board Trustee Chairperson
- Donna Schachtel -Ministry of Children and Family Development
- Sarah Quiring -Ministry of Children and Family Development

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT - Doug Sheppard, Superintendent

September 30, 2022 marked the 2nd National Day for Truth and Reconciliation. The day honours the children who never returned home and survivors of residential schools, as well as their families and communities. Flags were at half mast on the 29th & 30th in honor.

A video was launched of the 1st Journey Canoe trip (September 23,2022) on the Fraser River and Deas Slough. The canoes are docked at the district rowing works yard in Tilbury. Delta district staff will have access to a training book in order to experience the Journey Canoe.

PAC's looking for speakers on Sexual Health can check out Tess MacDonald: www.yestess.ca

The City of Delta elections were on Saturday October 15, 2022.

Val Windsor updated the results for the newly elected School Board Trustees as:

Val Windsor, Erica Beard, Ammen Dhillon, Masako Gooch, Nimmi Daula, Joe Muego and Nick Kanakos.

The new board will be sworn in at the November 8, 2022 Board Meeting. The trustee's will begin working on the school district budgets for January 2023.

GUESTS: Ministry of Children & Family Development

Donna Schachtel & Sarah Quiring are working for The Ministry of Children and Family Development (MCFD) and facilitate the adoption of BC children and youth living in foster care to local families.

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When a child enters foster care, the goal is to reunite them with the birth family. In most cases, it is successful. When it is not possible or in the child's best interest, they are registered to be adopted.

Delta is in need of foster families therefore families are encouraged to register for the Adopt Kids BC program. More information can be found on the website: www.bcadoption.com

Or contact Sarah Quiring (Sarah.Quiring@gov.bc.ca) or Donna Schachtle (Donna.schachtel@gov.bc.ca) directly for more information. Information sheets are available as well.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Moved by Carrie Elder & seconded by Annette Kozick; Approved

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

September, 2022 Meeting Minutes

*One motion to correct the spelling of an attendee's name.

Moved Crystal Robinson & seconded by Sarah Ngo; Approved

CHAIR UPDATE

Jennifer attended the District board meeting for September 2022. Topics were on Enhanced student learning. The next meeting is November 8, 2022. We will be extending an invitation to Trustees to attend our November 21st meeting as a "Meet & Greet". District budget is also available on the School Board webpage.

Jennifer reported Brad Bauman is working to book a speaker on Mental Health Support for staff and children for DPac meetings. Date TBA.

Mental health community support for Delta is also available at Deltassist and North Delta Family Resource Centre. Jennifer will be organizing an information night in the New Year.

No DPAC Meeting in December.



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VICE CHAIR UPDATE

Nil

TREASURERS REPORT

Simran is working with the bank for an appointment to order cheques. We will be removing Shane Todhunter from the account. Simran has all the banking documents signed and will be meeting at the bank on Wednesday, October 26th, 2022 to add Jennifer Rak, Lakhvir Brar and Simran Dhillon.

Cheques cleared for Secretary Supplies and BCCPAC Membership fee.

- Gaming Account: \$4982.81
- General Account: \$4725.66

PARENT EDUCATION UPDATE

Spreadsheet updates are in progress. Catharine is available to answer questions from parents. Contact DPAC to be connected: deltadpac@gmail.com

BCCPAC UPDATE

Jennifer and Vijay will be attending the DPAC Leadership Summit November 18 & 19, 2022.

NEW BUSINESS

Question Period

- Question was asked about access to District Zoom Licenses. Option to purchase their own account and Jennifer is working together with the district to get access to 5 shared accounts. Contact Jennifer for more information: <u>deltadpac@gmail.com</u>



- PACs were asking about movie licenses for movie nights. There are two options available. If the license is shared within the school for teachers to use, gaming funds can be used to purchase a license. See Links Below.

1) <u>https://bceln.ca/resources/feature-film-public-performance-rights-education-criterion</u>

2) https://acf-film.com/documents/DDL_school.pdf

- Daycare availability in the district schools is at 21 out of 23 schools. Questions asked if all are open for before/after care and year round. DPAC will look into options to present closer to the summer.

-Discussion about the need for more programs for kids on Pro D days, spring break and summer break.

NEXT MEETING

November 21, 2022 @7pm

ADJOURN 8:13 pm