



Delta District Parent Advisory Council (Delta DPAC)

C/O Delta School Board
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DPAC GENERAL MEETING MINUTES

Monday November 21, 2022

Location: Main Boardroom - Delta School District Office

Time: 7:00 PM – 8:00 PM

Members In Attendance:

Jennifer Rak -DPAC Chair/Brooke
Simran Dhillon - DPAC Treasurer/Burnsview
Cameron Murdoch -Brooke
Julia Mellish -Holly
Nikki Joshi - Sunshine Hills
Davinder Arora -Delview
Raheela Mohammed-Gibson
Diane Chubb -Neilson Grove
Kelly Bhandal -DPAC Secretary/McCloskey
Garima -Cougar Canyon
Jane Swinglehurst -Beach Grove
Rebecca Lee -DPAC Member at Large/SDSS
Stevie Wild -Devon Gardens
Tessa Geldreich -South Park
Vijay Kallur - BCCPAC/Sands
Carrie Elder - DSS

Call to Order and Welcome: 7:04



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Guests in Attendance:

- -Doug Sheppard - Superintendent, Delta School District
 - Val Windsor - School Board Trustee Chairperson
 - Erica Beard -Trustee
 - Nimmi Daula -Trustee
 - Ammen Dhillon -Trustee
 - Masako Gooch -Trustee
 - Joe Muego -Trustee
- Introductions to elected Board Trustees followed by a one hour open forum discussion on concerns from attendees

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT - Doug Sheppard, Superintendent

The new school board was sworn in at the November 8, 2022 Board Meeting. The trustee's in attendance introduced themselves and the schools they will represent. Currently the trustee's are working on the school district budgets for January 2023.

- Details available at <https://www.deltasd.bc.ca/board/trustees>

November 8th 2022, was Indigenous Veterans Day and was acknowledged at the Delta Board of Education meeting.

Safety concerns at schools and how to handle sending out alerts is a priority for the district. There are steps in place for reporting any safety issue to the school, the police liaison officer and Delta Police. The district will email a letter to the parents informing them about safety or alerts affected to the school to keep them informed.

- Link to Liaison Program: <https://deltapolice.ca/communityprograms/schools>

Parent information nights for career education will be available soon. Parents and students can learn about course selection and work experience options.

The new Grading System will be rolling out and be in effect for high school students. There will be different modules for the reporting policy. Parent education for the new system should be coming in the new year.

The district's Fall Into Vision week to implement Social Media Awareness to engage with students and parents about Vision 2030 will begin November 28th.



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ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Moved by Vijay Kallur & seconded by Simran Dhillon; Approved

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

October 2022 Meeting Minutes

- One amendment of Secretary title and name.

Moved by Nikki Joshi & seconded by Julia Mellish; Approved

CHAIR UPDATE

Jennifer attended the October 27th Capacity Cafe hosted by Learning services/Inclusive Learning, where parents and community partners listen to the lived experience of youth. It was a program shared by the Vancouver School Board. DPAC is considering hosting an event in the new year.

Jennifer attended the November 8th school board meeting to welcome the new elected Trustees

- Link to School Trustees Information: <https://www.deltasd.bc.ca/board/trustees/>
- This was also National Aboriginal Veterans Day

Jennifer reported she attended the DPAC Summit on Nov 18th only. Vijay will report on the conference.

Jennifer will provide links for workshops available for topics on Consent Culture and When to Say Yes.

- Consent Culture Intro Workshop: <https://www.creatingconsentculture.com/workshop>

Information on speakers on Mental Health Support for staff and children for DPAC meeting for Jan 16, 2023. Information sheet will be included with Minutes.

BCCPAC offers seminars to PACs.

- BCCPAC Presentation Topics: <https://bccpac.bc.ca/index.php/component/search/?searchword=workshops&searchphrase=all&Itemid=101>
- BCCPAC Volunteer Committees: <https://bccpac.bc.ca/index.php/contact-us/volunteer-reg>

Family Smart Event was scheduled for November 30th. There were no spaces available but their monthly events can be found on their website.

- Family Smart Monthly Event Link: <https://familysmart.ca/monthly-events/>

Two letters will be included with the minutes email. One regarding funding for post secondary school and the second is from Surrey District 36 DPAC.

There will be no DPAC Meeting in December 2022.



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VICE CHAIR UPDATE

Nil

TREASURER'S REPORT

The bank cheques do not have access to gaming grants. Simran is working to get a quote from Staples to print cheques on the suggestion of the bank. Approval to purchase gaming account cheques was given.

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.

BCCPAC UPDATE

Jennifer and Vijay attended the DPAC Leadership Summit November 18 & 19, 2022.

Vijay reported the summit had a good attendance on both days.

Jennifer Whiteside, Minister of Education and Child Care gave the opening address. The topics included Learning and Support Updates, Truth, Healing and Reconciliation, and Health and Wellbeing of Children and Youth.

Gave a detailed report on several topics of interest and DPAC can discuss them further with interested PACs.

For more info on the summit, follow the link : <https://bccpac.bc.ca/index.php/events/dpac-summit/summit-resources>

NEW BUSINESS

Question Period

- Questions were asked about traffic safety for morning drop off and after school pick up at the schools. More clear signage would be useful at all schools.
- Grade 7 students able to participate in crossing guard duties was discussed. The walking bus program is an option at some schools.
- Discussion if donations by private companies are allowed to be accepted by the school district. The treasurer can be contacted at the School Board office for more information.
- Playground fundraising grants are available to apply for. Companies can apply for these grants.
- The district was able to get access to District Zoom Licenses with no time restrictions for 5 shared accounts. Contact Jennifer for more information: deltadpac@gmail.com

NEXT MEETING

January 16, 2023 @7pm

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