

Kootenay Lake District Parents' Advisory Council

Meeting Minutes

Thursday, October 23, 2014

Nelson Board office, Teleconference to Creston

Attendance:

Parents:

Kendra Mann, DPAC Chair, Rosemont, Trafalgar

Nicole Rhynold, DPAC Secretary, J.V. Humphries

Ester Zdebiak, DPAC Treasurer, Mt. Sentinel

Lori Thompson. Winlaw, DPAC Member-at-large

Martha Clark, Trafalgar, LVR

Deborah Short – DPAC rep for Homelinks Creston

Sheri Walsh – LVR

Staff and Education Partners:

Jeff Jones, SD08 Superintendent

Becky Blair, President of the Creston Valley Teachers Association

Bob Abrahams, Candidate for Trustee Nelson

Raeanne Gow, Candidate for Crawford Bay/East Shore Trustee

Rebecca Huscroft, Current Trustee and Candidate for Rural Creston

Katiana Zacharias, Gambling Prevention Specialist

Verna Meyers-Mackenzie, Candidate for Trustee, Rural Creston

1) Welcome/Call to Order: 6:00 pm

2) Approval of Agenda – Approval by consensus

3) Approval of September 24, 2014 minutes – Approval by consensus

4) District Report –

A fundraiser took place at Hume, LVR students were there performing. During this fundraiser, the caterer at the affair suffered a heart attack in front of students and adults. While the adults stood by, one of the LVR students went into CPR and was able to work with the man until the ambulance arrived.

During the Slovan Valley lockdown at WE Graham, a school bus driver took a student back into the village in order to retrieve her baby that was with a child care provider.

In light of the events that took place in Ottawa, the Trauma Response team has been redeployed to help anyone dealing with recurring emotions from the lockdown.

5) School Reports –

Mt Sentinel – Grads have begun fund-raising for celebrations. Everything is going along well. Hot lunch program runs every day. They are looking at acquiring a second 3D printer.

LVR – Lots of fundraising happening. Sports teams are in full swing.

Rosemont – They are getting ready for all the Christmas raffles and events. They have begun planning a large spring event. Also making plans regarding turf in the playground. They need something installed that is wheelchair friendly.

Homelinks – Things are falling back into place. Students are happy to be back and have the face to face teacher time they have been missing due to the strike.

JV Humphries – We have a new teacher, Heather Christie. The Clothing Drive was held and the clothing eventually (through creative problem-solving) made its way to Vancouver for final weigh in and payout.

Winlaw – Busting at the seams and having a great time. The outdoor program is strong and well. They have kids that are a part of the inter-school x-country running team, their team spirit is evident through every step. The principal is very enthusiastic.

6) Correspondence and related business –

We received:

BCCPAC National Teachers Staff Appreciation Week February 8 to 14 Promotion package

School Bus safety foldouts

ENCORP Recycling Program info

Fall Leadership Conference Package

7) Discussion Items

- a.) PAC 101 – DPAC will be holding PAC101 sessions. Kendra and/or Susan Wilson will be travelling to the PACs that request the information sessions
- b.) BCCPAC – Membership – Fall Conference is November 21,22,23 in Nanaimo. DPAC will pay for the hotel room and food for 2 members to attend and BCCPAC will reimburse travel costs.
MOTION: To send two DPAC reps to BCCPACC Put forward by Kendra, 2nd by Nicole
- c.) Video conference will be made available at the DPAC meetings as much as possible.
- d.) Parent Education Nights - Louise Poole will present the new Healthy Guidelines for the school hot lunch program – this will happen at 5:30 on the date of the next DPAC meeting.

8) Committee Reports

a) Chair report – Attended the Finance Committee meeting

b) Treasurer

Current accounts:

Gaming \$2546.21

Regular \$1421.07

Total: \$3967.28

9) Adjournment: at 7:10 pm