

New Westminster DPAC General Meeting
Monday, November 21, 2016
SD40 Board Office
MINUTES

Agenda Item	Discussion
Welcome & Introductions	Meeting called to order at 7:01 pm Chair Trenaman acknowledged Qayqayt & Coast Salish First Nations Introductions around the table
Attendees:	Clifford Thompson – Connaught Heights Roya Sarwary – Queen Elizabeth Janet Pearson – F W Howay Sandi Pinkerton – Glenbrook Middle School Hilla Avidan-Shavit – Hume Park Home Learners Sandra Coll – NWSS – DPAC Treasurer Tracie Berg – Queensborough Middle School Alexandra Kostadinova – Herbert Spencer Brad Cavanagh – Qayqayt Jason Leber – Tweedsmuir Ronda Field – Glenbrook Middle School Karon Trenaman – DPAC Chair
Agenda	Old business added: Chevron, Survey Monkey, Kidsworld fundraiser
Minutes	Minutes from Oct 21, 2016 General Meeting MSC (Sandra/Brad)
President’s Circle Update	Chair reported on meeting with District Superintendent, BCTF Rep, Principal & VP Rep and herself -update on District Policy manual – revision in progress -tentatively going to Board vote on Dec 13 -discussion over lack of daytime janitors in schools -affecting Principals and VP’s the most -response time for emergencies is presently less then 20 min -Principal rep feels good deep clean at night time is better -discussion re: next year’s school calendar and start of Christmas Break -to be Dec 14, 21 or other?

PAC Updates:

- Connaught* -starting to plan school carnival
-had last movie night as license expiring
- QMS* -had last movie night
-did basket fundraiser – raffled off at Winter concert
- QE* -Purdy’s fundraiser very successful
-receipt of gaming funds still pending – missing paperwork
- Howay* -concern re one of the Safe Walk to School routes

-letter sent to City re poor signage and visibility
-Principal looking to add inclusive equipment to playground for students with disabilities
- HS* -partial playground replacement done
-Craft fair, First Light & Concert upcoming
-trying Hot Lunch 2x monthly
-Gift cards & other fundraisers ongoing
- QQ* -Food drive for Union Gospel Mission
-school wide music video filmed by grade 4 & 5’s
- GMS* -Band concert & talent show upcoming
-collecting food & toiletries for UGM and foodbank
-Ski & snowboard club planning for February 2017
-spirit wear sale for Christmas
- Home Learners* -had problems getting supplies due to change in SD40 systems
-temporary solution – given credit card
-“rescue food” fundraiser – donations from local food stores
-beneficiary to be determined
-had Portfolio Day – chance for students to showcase term’s work
- Tweeds* -had earthquake kit fundraiser
-Games night, movie night, entrepreneur night (for grade 3.4.5’s)

Point was made by S. Coll that schools that used to hold their Christmas/Winter concerts at Massey theatre but no longer do because of budget cuts, may be able to get funding to do so again through grant money available through the theatre. Need to contact Jessica Schneider if interested in investigating

- NWSS** -update on new school build available at newnwss.ca
-new fundraiser: SPUD organic vegetable delivery
- Chair Report** -remaining movie license expiring at end of December 2016
-Tweeds, QMS, Connaught & Howay still interested
-Chair to clarify on moving forward on renewal
- Treasurer's Report** -gaming funds received in bank account
-only disbursements are small amount for printing for Parents' Night Out and BCCPAC fees for all schools \$975
- Parent's Night Out** -Have not met – no report
- New Business** -Chair introduced idea of "One to One" literacy fundraiser
-being organized by local author: JJ Lee
-to help fund one to one literacy tutoring
-planned for Feb 2017, more info to follow
- Old Business** -Chevron money for STEM projects
-in used at Tweeds and QMS
- Survey Monkey – Brad Cavanagh will report on at January meeting
- Correspondence** -confirmation sent to NWSS agreeing to fund 3 \$500 bursaries again in June 2017 for graduating students

Motion to adjourn at 8:55 pm

Next meeting: January 16, 2017