New Westminster DPAC

School District 40

Date: May 20, 2021

Location: Zoom Virtual Meeting

Time: 7-9 pm

GENERAL MEETING MINUTES

Chair: Kathleen Carlsen (EGMS) Minute Taker: Cyrus Sy (Secretary)

Executive: Ronda Field (Acting Past Chair, NWSS), Renee Mosi (Treasurer, NWSS), Akbar Merchant

(Member at Large, Lord Kelvin)

Guests: Jennifer Whiteside (MLA, Minister of Education), Karim Hachlaf (Superintendent), Gurveen

Dhaliwhal (Board Chair, Trustee)

Parents/Guardians: (participant list from Zoom)

Laura Kwong (Qayqayt), Marilyn Molinski (EGMS), Larisa Ciprian (Richard McBride), Wing Wong, Chelle Ostlund (Home Learners), Michelle Kennedy (Qayqayt), Allison Clavelle (Qayqayt), Karon Trenaman (Fraser River), Anne Whitmore (Qayqayt), Lori K (Lord Kelvin), Jen Knight (Richard McBride), Martinique Longstaff (Herbert Spencer), Susan Kenny (Queen Elizabeth), Christine Mendoza (Tweedsmuir, FRMS, NWSS), Laura Cornish (Lord Tweedsmuir), Marisa Lane (McBride/EGMS), Keefer Pelech (EGMS), Dania Habbab, Carrie Carlsen (Lord Tweedsmuir), Naziya Brider (Queen Elizabeth Online), Carmen Postulart (Qayqayt), Douglas Herasymuik (FW Howay)

Meeting called to order at 7:05pm

1. Standing Items

- 1.1. Welcome
- 1.2. Call to Order & Acknowledgement
- 1.3. Attendance & Introductions

Executive members were introduced - see above

1.4. Adoption of Agenda

Moved by Ronda, Second by Martinque, CARRIED

1.5. Approval of Minutes from April 15 Meeting

Moved by Ronda, Second by Cyrus, CARRIED

- 1.6. Jennifer Whiteside
 - Opening Remarks
 - https://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/education-training/k-12/covid-19-safe-schools/good-news
 - Video Recording Link:

https://drive.google.com/file/d/1pIJps01FOingsarC5L7hKZ_f3FYuuxsW/view?usp=s haring

1.7. Chair Report: Kathleen

Thank you to our special guest and many parents who expressed appreciation to DPAC for putting together this special event.

1.8. Superintendent Report - District Update

- Administrative updates
 - Qayqayt principal will go to Spencer, Mme. Cameron is going to Qayqayt
 - Retiring: Debbie Jones (Fraser River), Lisa Nasato retiring
 - Incoming: Jen Harrison Promoted (Fraser River), Gary Pattern (Active VP Fraser River), John Lekakis (Principal, Middle School)
 - Vacancy for High School VP still Open
- Vaccinations will be open for 12-17 year olds before end of school year; but won't be done at school due to lack of capacity will follow similar process to staff at Anvil Centre
- Fraser Health will send out instructions to register and an invite will be sent to book online
- District acknowledges disappointment of parents not being able to attend graduation; but the district is working with PHO to get updates on grad ceremonies.
- Parents are not allowed by ministry rules to watch ceremony
- Current plan is to record ceremony and send to parents but changes may still take place

1.9. Treasurer's Report

- Nothing to report
- Reminder that \$250 is available to PACs to hold education seminars

1.10. PNO Report

- Great turnout to Tuesday, May 11th Entering Your Child's Online World, almost 100 attendees
- Planning is underway for next year

1.11. Anti-Racism Advisory Committee Meeting (Laura Kwong)

- Committee meets once a month and nearing end of the work
- Most parents should have received survey and call for volunteers for focus group
- Consultant will provide summary report from survey and call
- A framework will be provided based on the consultant report
- Please join a focus group to help enrich the voices of all

2. Old Business

2.1. Results & Report for BCCPAC AGM

- It was a long day (8:45am 6:00pm) and it was encouraging to see so many parents attend the whole day!
- Unfortunately we did not get through all the resolutions, including the 2 that New West submitted, but we are looking forward to hearing when a special meeting will be held to continue as we all voted to have another meeting instead of waiting for another year to advocate for our kids!
- The resolutions that did get voted on are:
- 2021.01 Amendment to Duties of Directors PASSED
- 2021.02 Amendment to Bylaws regarding business of the AGM PASSED
- 2021.03 Amendment to bylaws regarding resolutions PASSED
- 2021.04 Amendment to directors and officers PASSED
- 2021.05 Amendment to vacancies of directors & officers REJECTED

- 2021.06 Amend to grounds for termination of directors & officers REJECT
- 2021.07 Amendment to term of office of director &* officers REJECTED
- 2021.08 Updates to policy 4020 PASSED
- 2021.09 Automated External Defibrillator installed in every public school PASSED
- 2021.10 Implementation of Funding Model review recommendation 4 PASSED
- (amendment was to delete #1)
- 2021.11 Support of FSA PASSED
- 2021.12 Access to safe active transportation support for all students PASSED
- (this was amended from Rural students to ALL students)

2.2. Board Budget Presentation

Link to presentation to School Board on Budget 2021-2022 http://nwdpac.ca/wp-content/uploads/2021/06/DPAC-Budget-Board-Meeting-Presentation-April-27th.pdf

3. New Business

3.1. Notice of Annual General Meeting

All members were encouraged to think about joining the DPAC executive in the 2021-22 school year. If you have questions, reach out to any executive member. The AGM will be held in June. Date TBD

3.2. BCCPAC Education Conference Reminder

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Adjournment: 8:25 pm, Moved by Ronda **Next Meeting -** June 17, 2021, 7pm

At: Virtual Zoom