



SKSS PAC Executive Committee
Cory L: Chair, Barrie Vice-Chair, Erin M
(Secretary/Treasurer/DPAC Rep#2), Allison T (DPAC
Rep#1)

SKSS PAC Meeting
Minutes
Thursday February 22, 2024, 7:00pm via Zoom

- 1. Call to order. Land Acknowledgement.**
- 2. Education session: Course Selection/MyEd 101 (Mme. Blais):**
 Thank you to Mme. Blais who ran through the course selection process through MyEd. Reminder: Students can make changes up until Sunday night. Please remember to hit “post” to save. After Sunday, please make an appointment with your counselor for any changes. Mme. Blais is available by email to answer any questions.
- 3. Adoption of the Agenda.** Moved: Tanya. Seconded: Cori. All in favour.
- 4. Minutes of the last meeting.** Cory reviewed the minutes from the previous meeting.
- 5. Administration Report.** (Walt): Nice to see a great number of attendees tonight. Welcome back to Carter Rechi who is returning to us as a teacher. Capstone presentation evenings went well in January. Senior Boys Volleyball Team banner raising in February – big congrats to our Titans athletes. 2024/25 planning is well underway with grade meetings having occurred and course selections are taking place this week. Well over 100 families have attended parent sessions as well. Grade 7 students will be visiting soon as well. Interim week is coming up for semester 2. We are planning 1140 students next year – biggest grade 7 cohort in 20 years coming next year. 6th portable coming in the courtyard over the summer. It’s going to be a space challenge – the benefit is a deep and rich course selection. Baking 12 and Philosophy 12 are new courses next year. Course fees are stable. Acknowledgement to our students who did the January capstones, our Music program and their Jazz night in the City, our athletes working towards provincials. This year we are proud of our community and presented to the board on our second goal is safety/belonging/connectedness on campus –are students are engaged and we are so proud. New health sciences academy: Brock Secondary in Sept for semester 1. Some of our SKSS students have applied (approx. 6) and this is quite exciting. **Questions:** None. Thank you to Walt.

What exactly is PAC?

The School Act gives parents the right, through Parent Advisory Councils (PACs), to provide feedback in their school. PAC is the officially recognized collective voice of parents of their school. A PAC, through its elected officers, may advise the school board, the principal and staff of the school respecting any matter relating to the education of the students and the school.

What is the role of PAC?

- To advise the school principal and staff on parents’ views and feedback about school programs, policies, plans and activities.
- To organize PAC activities and events and endeavour to provide parent education.
- To encourage parent involvement in the school, and to support programs that promote parent involvement.
- To communicate with parents, and to promote co-operation between the home and the school in providing support for the education of children.
- To assist parents in accessing the system and to advocate on behalf of parents and students.
- To provide financial support for the goals of the PAC, as determined by its membership.
- To advise and participate in the activities of the District Parent Advisory Council (DPAC) and the BC Confederation of Parent Advisory Councils (BCCPAC).
- The business of the PAC shall be unbiased in respect of race, colour, religion, politics, family status, gender, sexual orientation or physical or mental ability. The PAC is not a forum for the discussion of individual school personnel, parents, or other individual members of the school community.



6. Old Business:

- a) **Legacy Grant** -Next deadline is March – Erin and Barry to reapply. In the fall we applied for football and music, but we were unsuccessful. We are trying to fundraise in other ways (online raffles, etc) but we will apply again for legacy funds.
- b) **Next Education Session:** ?
- c) **DPAC Logo Contest (Allie).** (Elwira) : A logo has been selected and it has gone back to the artist for final cleanup (to make it clearer when it's shrunk to letter size). Check SD73 DPAC Facebook for reveal
- d) **Pineview Naming Contest (Elwira)** : The Te'Kemlups council now sits on the committee. Submissions are being accepted until March 1st. There have been 117 name submissions so far.
- e) **BCCPAC Resolution Draft (Erin/Barrie):** Draft resolution has been created to send to the BCCPAC to advocate for sport and sport safety equipment funding at a provincial level. See attachment at the end of these minutes. This will be submitted tomorrow.

7. Treasurer's Report:

Total available for Spring Disbursement is: \$5344.92 from Gaming Funds. We also have \$2,145.54 in General Funds.

See spreadsheet below regarding Spring Funding Requests from:

- SKSS Disc Golf Club (requesting \$6000)
- SKSS Sr. Jazz Combo/Jazz Band (requesting \$2600)
- Physics Contest -popsicle stick bridge building (requesting \$300)
- SKSS Football -Helmets – (requesting \$5690)
- SKSS Ethics Bowl Debate Team – Nationals (requesting \$2964)

Debate and Discussion:

-1st SKSS team to ever win a regional championship is this year's Ethics Team. Congratulations! The late submission is due to the fact that Regionals *just* happened last week.

-Disc Golf: An extension of our Ultimate club. This work is being done in conjunction with the city. The baskets would be around our campus.

-Process clarification for vote: Over the years, we've had more requests than we have funds. Generally we debate, talk, look at number of students, look at entire south kam community, then have a vote on how to distribute funds. Rarely are big request funded in full because we want to get as many clubs as possible some money.

-Football helmets: Notes on advocacy on this refresh as it's important to protect our children from a health and safety point of view. These 10 helmets can rotate the worst of the helmets out (we currently

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have 65 kids playing) and bring in the new 10 helmets so that we can keep stock as fresh as possible. Barry stated that Football has not received much targeted funds from pac, and that the general athletics funding only gives a small portion to each sport.

-Music Department: Advocacy for funding the music request given the amount of fundraising that the music department has done on their own, the exemption that the music department has already received for out of province travel from the gaming branch, and the reasonableness of this request given that it's a national level competition that SKSS hasn't been at in over a decade. Note that the students were awarded a place at the National level based on scores/merit. Currently 19 kids are going (held in Toronto).

-Ethics Bowl: Advocacy for funding for the ethics championships – SKSS has a strong academic track record and this is the first all female ethics team that has made it to the national level. Note that the team had to win at the Regional level to make it to Nationals (they beat the team that won Nationals last year). Reminder that in 2020 we were willing to pay registration (kids didn't get to go due to Covid. PAC agreed to fund approx. \$500)

-Physics Contest: Walt will cover the cost of the math and physics requests out of the school funds.

-Discussion of prohibited use of gaming funds: Out of province travel is prohibited unless there is a granted exemption. The exemption is provided by the government and is a form that just needs to be filled out as long as criteria are met. It can take 10 business days for this decision to be made.

-Process note: We need to figure out a way going forward to make this process-oriented decision going forward now that it's almost certain we will always have a greater number of asks than we do money to give.

Motion to remove request from disc golf and reconsider in the fall. Moved by Barrie. Seconded by Amy. Discussion: There are multiple partners are involved, including Sagebrush Neighborhood Association and the City. There are approx. 80-100 students currently involved in the Ultimate program – disc golf is an extension of the ultimate program (using material as a club). **Vote: Motion Passed.** Erin will notify the involved parties that the were not awarded funding.

Motion to have the football helmets fully funded. Moved by Melisa. Seconded by Barrie. Discussion: There are insufficient funds in the gaming account to fully cover the 10 helmets – we would have to dip into the general funds.

Amended motion: to have 9 helmets fully funded instead of 10: Moved by Rev and seconded by Melisa.

New Motion: **To have 9 helmets fully funded:** Discussion: -Does this mean that if we fund 9 helmets there is no other money to give out tonight? -Criteria for giving out money. -Past funding – who has received funds in the past. -Is there a lack of support from the PAC. -How many children do we serve – can we discuss splitting up the money rather than one group taking all of it. -We are serving the whole school, not just one team – we are trying to be as fair and responsive as possible, can we step back and meet some of the need of all the applicants. – Can we have the funds allocated across the board.

Amendment to the Motion: to supports 50% of each of these requests submitted (with the exception of physics and math requests which Walt would fund). (moved/seconded). VOTE: Passed.



New motion: To support 50% of each of the submitted requests with the exception of math and physics requests, which Walt will fund. (moved/seconded). Discussion: We will have to dip into general funds if we do this. Football feels that once again “we get the biggest cut”. **Vote: Motion Passed.** Erin will let the applicants know that 50% of each of their original asks have been approved. This depletes our gaming funds for the 2023/24 school year. Ethics team to connect with Erin to apply for the exemption for out of province travel.

Motion: That the remaining amount of the general funds go to football helmets. (Trisha/Rev).

Discussion: Once this general fund is depleted, it’s gone. It’s a historical fund and unless we as a PAC conduct fundraising in the future (the way elementary schools do), that fund will not be filled up again. We have historically used this money to pay for things that gaming grants can’t: if we deplete it for one group, that takes away from our ability to spend it on whole school population events, like parent education, or staff end-of-year thank you lunch. Basically one group would take money at the expense of the entire school community. Treasurer’s note: Please leave \$100 in account to cover statutory and fiduciary obligations like bank fees. How is it equitable for one group to accept an amount in the equitable distribution of gaming money and then take all the money out of the general funds? Can we amend the motion so that the ethics team gets the amount out of the general funds and then revisit gaming funds? (Possibly. But we still need to deal with the motion on the table). Is it fair to ask to deplete the general funds, which generally we don’t do, with disc golf not in attendance, an other groups not represented at this meeting currently.

Calling the Vote: Amendment to original motion: amend so that the ethics team gets the amount out of the general funds and then we revisit gaming funds to talk about funding just football and music from that account. **Results: Failed. Original motion stands.**

Original motion: That the remaining amount of the general funds go to the football helmets (with \$100 minimum in the bank account per treasurer request): VOTE: Motion approved with 50%+1 vote. Erin to do final math and let the Athletics department know.

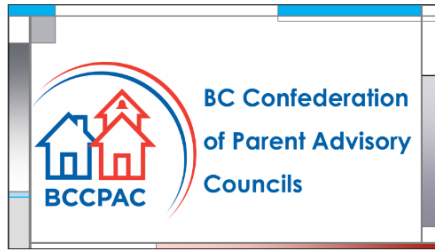
ADDENDUM: AFTER THE MEETING, IT WAS NOTICED THAT PER OUR BYLAWS, WE MUST KEEP \$500 TO PASS ON TO NEXT YEAR’S COUNCIL TO START THE BUSINESS YEAR. AS SUCH, THE FOOTBALL ALLOTMENT FROM THE GENERAL ACCOUNT WAS ADJUSTED TO ACCOUNT FOR THE BYLAW REQUIREMENT. SEE TREASURER REPORT AT THE END OF THESE MINUTES.

8. New Business.

9. DPAC/BCCPAC Reports. Attached to end of these minutes.

-Proxy for BCCPAC AGM (Tabled)

-Advocacy Training



Dear members,

We want to remind you to register to attend our upcoming Virtual Town Hall to discuss advocacy training by BCCPAC!

[REGISTER HERE](#)

This event is the beginning of the work to fulfil resolution 2023.07:

"Be it resolved that BCCPAC create a sustainable program to train a minimum of two parent advocate volunteers in any and all BC school districts wishing to participate. And that this program be established with a goal to begin training parent advocates in the 2023-2024 school year and continue until there is adequate resources allocated within the Ministry of Education and Child Care, Office of the Ombudsperson or otherwise deemed redundant."

The Inclusive Education and Anti-Racism Committees are planning the discussion to seek feedback from membership. Join us to brainstorm and help shape what parent advocacy training might look like!

 Date: February 27th

 Time: 7:00 pm - 8:30 pm

 Where: on Zoom

Early Registration Matters! Register and respond to the following question on the registration form by February 18th to have your responses included for consideration in planning the Town Hall!

What are your top 3 priorities for parent advocacy training?

Important: Registration is required to access the event. We will be accepting registrations **until noon** on the day of the event.

10. Other Correspondence. None.

11. Adjournment.

Next meeting:

Apr 18, 2024 07:00 PM
May 16, 2024 07:00 PM
Jun 20, 2024 07:00 PM

Join Zoom Meeting

Meeting ID: 873 1414 7246
Passcode: 888045

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ADDENDUMS:

Treasurer's Report:

SKSS PAC – TREASURER'S REPORT– FEBRUARY 2024

Money situation at a glance:	
Gaming Opening balance at start of 2023/24 school year: \$20,240.00 (gaming funds received) + \$1,064.92 (left in account from last year) =	\$21,304.92
General Account Balance as of October 2023 (before any disbursements) = \$	\$2,145.54
Total Funds SKSS PAC has to play with for the 2023/24 school year =	\$23,450.46
Electronic Fundraiser (licensed Gaming Event) – only available to group who had the gaming license approved (note, this license has 4 events: paper 50/50 on Dec 13, Raffle nexus 50/50 on Feb 14, paper 50/50 on Feb 16, paper 50/50 on June 12)	+ \$1500 License # 147828 (SKSS Music) from electronic raffle Feb 14

Disbursements requested:

Requested By:	Department/Club:	Amt. Requested:	Amt. Approved:	Description of Request:	Cheques written so far	Still to be disbursed:
	SKSS Music BAMBORA/Raffle Nexus Fundraiser		\$1500	License # 147828 Electronic Raffle Funds from Valentine's 50/50 draw	\$750 to 50/50 winner C. Fehr (Cheq # 208) \$157.50 Raffle Nexus admin fees (Cheq #209) \$159.76 Bambora Fees (deducted directly from \$1500 by company)	\$432.74
Mrs. Cooluris	Board Game Club - # students: "Hopefully Many"	\$300-\$500	\$300	Need to buy board games that take less than 45 min and have some entry level engagement.	0	\$300
Mr. Ilic	SKSS Car Club # students:5-20	\$1500	Deferred	2 Milwaukee cordless impact high torque drills with batteries and charger	Deferred	deferred
Mr. Yamaoka	South Kam Athletics # students: 300+	\$16,000	\$7,000	Various sports equipment (volleyball, basketballs, nets, etc) \$2500 Uniform replacement (Sr Girls Basketball, Sr Boys Basketball, Gold Girls Volleyball, Rugby) - \$7000 New purchases: Boys Volleyball Uniforms - \$1250 New purchases: football helmets \$569 per helmet	\$1114.34 (cheq 202 Nov 10 - volleyballs) \$325.78 (cheq 203 Nov 27 - field hockey masks) \$500 (cheq 205 Jan 9 Football helmet decal) \$1042.67 (cheq 205 Jan 9 Volleyballs)	\$2,688.61
					\$1328.60 (cheq 206 Basketball uniforms)	
Mr. Kozoris	Lunchtime intramurals program # students: 600-700	\$2000	\$0 (Walt to pay)	Funding for equipment, prizes, activities for all grades – for athletics, games, arts, spirit, rallies, contests, guest appearances, t-shirts, pride events, music (participatory and spectator events at lunch time)	\$0	\$0
Mrs. Tomm	Peer tutoring # students: 30	\$500	\$500	Peer tutoring student initiatives including care packages, games, etc.	\$117.16 (cheq 205 Jan 9, 2024)	\$382.84
Mrs. McRae	Choir/Jazz Combo # students: 140	\$1800	\$900	Jazz combo groups require music for the year and our SKSS choir requires choral folders for performances and new music. Also assistance to cover the cost of the sagebrush theatre for the department's dec 13 showcase concert.	\$547.44 (cheq 202 Nov 10/23)	\$352.56
Mrs. Fonseca	Titans Theatre Arts	\$2,886.00	\$2,000	Black magic camera and lens for performance recording	\$2000 (cheq 204 Dec 12)	\$0
Mrs. Yamaoka	SKSS Art Club and Visual Arts	\$2,108.86	\$1,500	SKSS Art Club and visual art extra curricular for afternoon art club. Calendar.	\$1,480.39 (cheq 207 Feb 1st)	\$19.61
Mrs. Poelzer	Math Contests	\$1,240.00	\$1,000	University of Waterloo contests, Canadian Computing Contest, Canadian Team contests	\$55.00 (Cheq 210 Feb 21)	\$945
Mr. Ansley	Model UN	\$2,500.00	\$2,000	Help send SKSS students to Model UN in Vancouver	\$2,000	\$0
Mr. Ansley	Link Crew	\$2,000.00	\$0 (Walt to pay)	Hosting events such as grade 8 orientation week, terry fox run, Halloween spirit, winter spirit	\$0	\$0
Mme. Dion	SKSS Yoga Club	\$155.00	\$155.00	Supplies to help give students an opportunity to relax minds, create mental clarity	\$151.89 (cheq 202 Nov 10/23)	\$3.11
Mr. Ma	Ping Pong Club	\$1,000.00	\$500.00	Purchase of two ping pong tables	\$0	\$500.00
Mme. Jauregui	DELFClub	\$140.00	\$0 (Walt to pay)	Fund two tuitions for DELF	\$0	\$0
Mr. Dhaliwal	Field Hockey	\$1,400.00	\$0 (included in athletics)	Field hockey sticks, goalie helmet, dimple balls, ball cage, face masks	\$0	\$0
Mr. Dhaliwal	Girls' Rugby	\$4,000.00	\$0 (included in athletics)	4 tackle pads, 3 game balls, kicking tee, reverse pinnies, post pads	\$0	\$0
Total Already Committed for Disbursement		\$15,960				
Spring Requests:						
Mr. Barker/Laidlaw	SKSS Disc Golf Club	\$6,000.00	\$0	Funds for new standard baskets and installation supplies and costs. Should the full funds not be available, we would love to receive some funding to get things started and then complete	\$0	\$0

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				it next year. We will also apply for funds from the Sagebrush Neighborhood Association		
Ms. McRae	Sr. Jazz Combo/Jazz Band	\$2,600.00	\$1,300	MusicFest Canada Nationals is costing our group roughly \$60,000 and we are looking for PAC assistance to help cover the festival registration fee of \$2,600. This would help our students by bringing down their cost. Every little bit helps.	\$0	\$1,300
Mme. Jauregui	DELFI Club		Funded by Walt	Club to help French Language Students prepare for the DELFI exam being held in the spring – includes club supplies and materials for the higher-level exam prep. Note: This is not a BC Curriculum-related exam/teaching materials	\$0	\$0
Mr. Abraham	Physics Contest	\$300	Funded by Walt	Supplies for 3 x 500N digital force gauges for the popsicle stick bridge building physics contest	\$0	\$0
	Ethics Bowl	\$2964	\$1482	Travel costs for students traveling to Ethics Bowl in Manitoba	\$0	\$1482
Mr. Yamaoka	Football Helmets	\$5690	\$2345	10 helmets for Football team	\$2345	\$2345
Bank Fees	BMO Bank Fees	\$2.50x12=\$30.00	\$30			
BCCPAC Fee	BCCPAC Membership	\$75.00	\$75	For 2024/25 school year (due at end of this year)		
Total amount requested 2023/24		\$54,319.86				
Total Committed for fall Disbursement			\$15,960			
Total Committed for Spring Disbursement			\$5,127			
						Est. Year End Gaming Balance: \$217.92
Starting: General Funds: \$2,145.54						
Football Club	Football Helmets	\$2145.54	\$1545.54	Football Helmets	\$1,545	\$0
Minimum Account Balance Required	(Per Bylaws)	\$500	\$500			
Cushion to cover statutory and fiduciary obligations	(per motion/vote)	\$100	\$100			

Est year-end General Funds: \$600



Executive Committee
Bonnie M: Chair, **Melisa D:** Vice-Chair, **Willa P.:** Secretary, **Jenn C :** Treasurer, **Elwira, Val, George, Charles, Sarah, Emmy:** Members at Large

**DPAC General Meeting
 Draft Minutes
 Tuesday February 20, 2024**

1. **Call to order:** 6:43pm. **Attendance (Quorum met):** Erin (SKSS), Bonnie (Chair), Chris (Valleyview), Allie (SKSS/SSES), Amanda (SSES), Caroline (Bert Edwards), Charles (Dallas), Darcy (KTTA), Diane, RLC, Elisa (Westside), Elwira (LGES), Emmy (KSA), George (Parkcrest), Jen (Barriere), Kristy (Aberdeen), Sarah (Dufferin), Steph (Rayleigh), Val (Westside Elem), Haldane (2 reps), Superintendent Dr. Nixon, Trustee Hickson, Board Chair Grieves
2. **Acknowledgement that we are on the territory of the Secwepemc Nation, specifically the traditional unceded territory of the Tk'emlups te Secwepemc people, on whose land we are privileged to live, work and play.**
3. **Review of the Agenda.** Moved: Erin, Seconded: Elwira. Accepted with the following Additions to the Agenda:
 - a. Review of Previous Parent Education Night (Chris) – Item D (Old Business).
4. **Indigenous Languages, Storytelling and Voices (Valerie)**

Indigenous Worldview
 Language, Identity, Belonging, Diversity,
 Storytelling, Voices, Inclusive, Equity
 SD#73 DPAC - District Parent Advisory Council



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- What exactly is DPAC?**
- DPAC stands for District Parent Advisory Council. We are the official parent voice for School District 73 (Kamloops/Thompson).
 - Each PAC is encouraged to elect 2 DPAC reps to attend our monthly meetings.
 - We elect an executive to conduct business between meetings, but our direction is determined by our members, just like at PACs.
- What is the role of DPAC?**
- Our mandate, according to the School Act, is to advise the Board of Education on any matter relating to education in the school district. We funnel parent input to decisionmakers in our district.
 - We facilitate communication—we send a lot of information out to the PACs on upcoming events and programs that might interest them.
 - We provide training and education for parents, as well as opportunities for exchanging ideas. We host speakers and put on workshops and networking events.
 - We function as a resource for individual parents and PACs as they do their work at the school level.



What is it and how is it different?

<https://youtu.be/4KzqMMYatc4?si=t8yG5lzGDCiIM6dT>

Comparing Indigenous and Western Worldview

<https://youtu.be/HClzSaeH1FY?si=h37Uz4TrV/QqjQpP>

The Word Indigenous Explained

<https://youtu.be/CISaEF7agDA?feature=shared>

In our Voices Indigenous Worldview

<https://youtu.be/XpaOxQIQx2?si=9kkCQ4U9uNU13mfw>

5. **Minutes from the Previous Meeting.** Moved: Chris, Seconded: Elwira. All in favour.

6. **Reports:**

i. **KTTA: No report**

ii. **Superintendent and Trustee Report:**

- **Pineview Valley Naming Committee:** Committee has met 3 times to review submissions of names. Councillor Morning-Star Peters (~~Tk'emlups te Secwepemc~~ ~~TK'EMLUPS TE SECWEPEMC~~) has joined committee. Still looking for submissions for the name of the new school which must include at least one or more of the following criteria: historical significance, name of street, name of geographical area, name reflective of diversities, name reflective of a positive image of the board, name of a person. Submission deadline is March 1
- **SD73 Trustees have put forward 2 motions to BCSTA AGM:**
 - That BCSTA advocates for the Ministry of Education and [Child Care](#) to provide new funding to make existing playgrounds accessible for all children with standard equipment identified in collaboration with district accessibility committees and provincial associations
 - That BCSTA advocates to the Ministry of Education and [Child Care](#) for districts that have relied on portables (that are now aging) to manage enrolment growth be provided with additional maintenance funding to support the again portables.
- **Expanding Academies:** 15 years of academy experience in SD73. Sports Academy for grade 7-9 students at Brock will now service Grade 8-10 students in the Fall of 2024, Hockey Skills Academy will serve Grade 10 and 11 at Valleyview, Digital Arts and Tech Academy will serve grade 11-12 at Valleyview.
- **Two new secondary academies:** District Health Sciences Academy (Brock secondary school for grades 10 and 11 students – students will study anatomy and physiology, career education courses and take part in career carousel where students meet a variety of professions from medical imaging to physiotherapy) and Outdoor Education Academy (~~Sahaj~~ ~~SAHAJ~~) Secondary School, Grades 10 and 11 students – consists of outdoor education 12, life sciences 11/environmental sciences 12, career life connections 12, contemporary indigenous studies 12. Students also complete certificates like food safe, first on the scene, WHMIS). Funding support may be available for these programs – check with your school administrator.

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- **Cell Phone Procedures:** Premier Eby stated that he is taking three concrete actions to keep kids and young adults safe, including restricting the use of cellphones in schools. The ministry of Education and [Child Care](#) will provide public provincial guidelines at Spring Break that will guide community engagement for our district and all districts provincially. We look forward to this opportunity to engage a committee to review and provide input into changes of district procedure.

iii. Chair Report (Bonnie):

- Contact info for PAC's – data has been collected. TREK/KOOL looking for info on how to set up PAC – Bonnie to follow up.
- Contact info and data integrity – DPAC: Still connecting with provincial partners to see how we can set things up so that personal emails attached to personal cell phones can be eliminated. What we've found is that when people move on, we are locked out of [email](#) accounts and google docs and websites because we don't know passwords to security questions, or there are codes being sent to someone's cell phone who has long moved on. More info as it is available.
- Meeting Schedule 2024-2025. See website for list of dates through 2025.
- Provincial issues –
 - Surrey Decision – extension of school day. What will this look [like](#) and will it come here? Stay tuned for more info as we continue to connect with our provincial [dpac](#) partners.
 - Vancouver DPAC letter of Support – Support staff positions -lots of vacancies. We are chatting with our Vancouver DPAC partners to understand lessons learned and how we can [support](#)
 - Cell Phones – covered in superintendent's report – we will provide input on committee when it is struck.
- City Engagement Sessions – DPAC has been at every session. We continue to engage with City partners.
- Board Composition – discussion on how Board Composition currently is structured (based on 1996 guidelines) and whether board composition may be tweaked to provide more trustee connection with schools in the urban area, which currently has many schools per trustee. Discussion to continue.

iv. Treasurer's Report (Jen)

- On track to deplete gaming funds (\$11.08 by end of year). General account is on track to sit at \$1,843.47 by end of year, and Bursary account is down to \$518.10. One GIC is maturing in May, and we will need to decide whether to cash out into the Bursary account, or let it roll over in GIC. Currently GIC account is at \$3877.05.

7. Old Business

i. Food Safe 2 tuitions left available for the year.

ii. DPAC logo Contest: We have a winner! Parent of grade 7 student at David Thompson created the winning design, which will be tweaked to make it more friendly to digital medium and for clarity when shrunk to letterhead size. See Facebook page for reveal!

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- iii. **BCCPAC AGM:** There is room for 2 more paid conference attendees. Reach out to the exec if you are interested. Please make sure that if you are NOT attending but are able to vote (member in good standing with BCCPAC) you give your Proxy to DPAC to vote on your [behalf](#)
- iv. **Parent Education Night – Feb 27:** Farm to school. On Zoom. See Facebook page for more info and how to register. Last parent education night was on Substance use and Mental Health. Unfortunately, Kamloops is number 1 in youth overdose rates in the interior. Foundry is looking for volunteers to sit on the family advisory committee and youth advisory committees. See Facebook page for more info.

8. New Business and Committee Reports

a. DPAC Committee Reports:

- **Rural Committee:** has met to discuss retention and recruitment of PAC members, course selection, and how to keep families in rural communities.
- **BCCPAC Facilities Committee:** Met and were soliciting feedback from the entire province, which they learned is not acceptable practice per committee guidelines at BCCPAC. They are working on restructuring so they can solicit feedback from the entire province, but then only committee members will attend meetings.

b. SKSS Resolution proposal:

- Reviewed submission from SKSS.
- Suggested tweaks include making it a broader resolution to support not only [highschool](#) sport safety equipment but also the other sports-related equipment [pacs have to fund](#), like uniforms, crash mats, balls, sticks, and other expensive items for school sports.
- Erin to take info back to SKSS committee, tweak, and send back to DPAC for submission to BCCPAC by Feb 24 deadline.

c. PAC Education and Engagement:

- Next event is March 7th from 6:30-8pm and will centre around the 3 [R's](#) of PAC succession (Recruitment, Retention and '(w)Rapup
- Anyone can attend, not just executive members. See [facebook page](#) for more info.

d. ~~Parkcrest~~ Announcement

- On Feb 12 it was announced publicly that ~~Parkcrest~~ would now only be opened in September of 2024
- This was shocking to the ~~Parkcrest~~ community, who had no advance warning or consultation and had to find out through the [media](#)
- This has been a long road: when ~~Parkcrest~~ burned down, the Province and Board publicly stated that it takes two years to build a new school, but that ~~Parkcrest~~ would be "[fasttracked](#)".
- It's now been 5 years.
- Parents are expressing frustration and anger that they had to find out about the delay through the media, not directly from the Board. It felt disrespectful.

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- DPAC to communicate with ~~Parkcrest~~ ~~families~~ and PAC to talk about how to support them in expressing this disappointment to the board and the challenges that finding out about major decisions through Social Media can bring to families

9. Other Correspondence

- Handling DPAC requests for PAC info/sharing opportunities:** No change to current procedure
- Youth Climate Activism Award:** Will be posted on Facebook and circulated.

10. Motion to Adjourn. Erin. Adjourned at 8:35pm