Seycove PAC Meeting Minutes

Date: Tuesday Feb 13, 2024 Time Start: 7:00 pm Location: Library

Members in attendance: Cheri Townsend (Co-Chair), Lisa Stewart (Co-Chair), Julia Wagner (DPAC Rep), Sarah Best (Principal), Wendy Kennedy

(Member at Large)

Regrets:

Agenda Item	Speaker	Discussion	Action Items
Acknowledgement & Announcements	Sarah		
Introductions	everyone		Motion:
Approval of Agenda			
Approval of minutes:			Motion:
Treasurer's Report	Carla Cove	Carla's husband, Skye's, employer-matching donation cleared the account in January for \$2,530. We might consider Kim's suggestion to bring attention to parents to consider employer-matched donations. The Seycove Community School Association charity is on Benevity. All Auction transaction processing and reconciling with the bank. We have started to spend some wish list funds. Thanks to Wendy for keeping us organized and assisting with some Amazon/online shopping!	
Principal's report	Sarah Best	Learning Conferences – March 14, 2024	

School Plan Discussion DPAC Report	Julia Wagner	DPAC UPDATES FEBRUARY 2024 NVPAC February newsletter: http://www.northvanpac.org/newsletters.html	ACTION:
Calcad Bloo		April 24, 2024 at the ESC	ACTION
		Youth Development Index(YDI) • This is for Gr 11's and is starting Feb 26 th School Planning:	
		Food Access Program: • We're hoping to expand it to include breakfast	
		QUASH – Quit that Hit – starting Feb 27 • We received a grant to offer the program	
		 Sex Exploitation Education (SEE) Feb 21 for Gr 7-9 BLUSH – Mar 4-5 for Gr 8-10 BC Lions & Racism – Apr 24 for Gr 7-10 The Other People – May 29 for 7-9 and 10-12 	
		 Registration opens Feb 28, 2024 at 8am Registration Closes March 10, 2024 at 11:55pm March 14, 2024 students in attendance, early dismissal March 15, 2024 students in attendance, early dismissal School Presentations:	

-NVPAC Anti-Racism Advisory Committee: Thursdays 7pm via Zoom

February 15th, March 14th, May 9th

-NVPAC Constitution & Bylaws Committee: MEETING DATES PENDING

-The White Hatter Internet Safety and Digital Literacy Virtual Presentation:

THURSDAY FEBRUARY 22 (virtual) 6:30 pm - 7:30 pm Monitoring, Filtering, and Tools for Parents & Caregivers - 75 min live presentation, includes Q&A portion. REGISTER HERE by February 20 at 9pm

-Cathy McMillan from Dyslexia BC: Wednesday, March 6, 2024, 7:00 – 9:00 pm via Zoom

Cathy is the Founding Member of Dyslexia BC and has been advocating for change for individuals with dyslexia and other learning disabilities in BC for almost 20 years.

We will start with some facts and information about dyslexia by actively participating in a dyslexia simulation designed by the Dyslexia Training Institute from California. This event will include a Q&A portion.

Some exciting things have happened in the province of BC as it pertains to dyslexia in the last year and Cathy will also discuss this and be available for questions after the simulation exercises. Cathy is the mother of two adult children with dyslexia and is the Founding Member of Dyslexia BC.

Cathy was a Director at the Learning Disabilities Association Fraser South chapter for a number of years and is currently on the Coquitlam Student Services Advisory Committee.

**Please note that this is not a public event. This event is intended for parents/caregivers of students currently attending an NVSD school for the 2023-2024 school year and NVSD staff. ** Register Here by March 4th at 9pm: https://forms.gle/9zjhMmqM5ZD98C8RA

NVPAC GM January 31/2024

- 1. Emergency Preparedness NVSD Committee:
- -new Occupational Health & Safety Manager (Nelson Dow)
- -inventory of each school was conducted in Dec/23
- -2023/24 Budget allocates \$75,000 to emergency preparedness supplies for schools district-wide; priorities: 1. Procuring storage containers for 3 schools. 2. Providing 1.5L/student of potable water for each school. 3. Assembling grab-and-go kits for every classroom (budget allowing)

It is not feasible to supply all schools with the complete set of necessary supplies in the initial year. Plan is to enhance collaboration and establish priorities for this through the Emergency Preparedness Committee meeting in February 2024.

2. NVSD Updates from Superintendent:

NVSD Student Inclusive Education Committee for neurodivergent students and students with disabilities to share experiences and perspectives and provide advice to NVSD; open to students in grades

6-12 with the option to attend meetings with the support of a family member, peer or support person.

3. NVSD Budget Priorities input: February 1 to 29, 2024 Online survey, email or traditional mail

NVPAC has opportunity to submit top three priorities at March 5 Public Standing Committee Meeting.

NVPAC 2023/23 priorities: 1. Increase capacity and expand upon the current Literacy program. 2. Increase capacity for counsellors to one FTE per elementary school, while also increasing the capacity for assessments. 3. Increase mental health and behavioural supports for all students.

NVPAC GM January 2024 participant priorities discussion: emergency prep supplies, mental health support, teacher resources/lesson plans, more EAs, supports for learning disabilities, FTE counsellors, infrastructure upgrades and repairs, technology, digital health, climate change education, outdoor learning

- 4. What is your PAC exec finding tricky/challenging?
 - Succession planning for PAC exec
 - Parent engagement and communication
 - Transparency around school maintenance
 - Funding for anti-racism programs and events

BCCPAC

1. Virtual Town Hall: Resolutions (Jan 16/24)

Resolutions Committee presentation and question and answers about the process, purpose and relevant dates/timelines for BCCPAC

Resolutions. Information about Resolutions available on BCCPAC website: https://bccpac.bc.ca/index.php/resolutions to see the status of any Resolution, refer to the online Resolutions List & Archive. Review the Resolutions Policy for submission of proposed resolutions for presentation at the Annual General Meeting.

BCCPAC Resolution Committee will support PACs in crafting resolutions that meet policy requirements.

2. Resolutions Members in good standing are invited to submit proposed Special and Ordinary Resolutions per our Bylaws and Resolutions Policy 4020 for discussion and debate at the 2024 Annual General Meeting to be held in-person on May 4 & 5, 2024 in Richmond.

Special Resolutions must be received by February 24, 2024 although it is recommended to submit them as soon as possible.

Ordinary Resolutions can be submitted anytime.

3. BCCPAC Virtual Town Hall: Parent Advocate Training: Tuesday, February 27, 2024 via Zoom

This event is the beginning of the work to fulfill 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!

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? Register Here by February 27 at noon: https://bccpac.bc.ca/index.php/events/2024-02-town-hall

- 4. BCCPAC Parent and Student Awards Nominations deadline February 28 Members are invited to submit Award Nominations to recognize those members who are giving back to their communities. Educational Award: Each year we also honour a well-rounded Grade 12 student attending a BCCPAC member school, who plans to pursue post-secondary studies. The recipient will receive an award in the amount of \$1,000.
- 5. Nominations to the Board of Directors deadline March 31

A reminder that nominations to the Board of Directors are now open! We invite members to put forward nominations for the open positions, which will be accepted via email until March 31, 2024 per our Bylaws, and voted on at the 2024 Annual General Meeting (AGM). Nominations are open to regular members in good standing per Bylaws 5.5 - 5.8. Candidates for a position on the Board of Directors must be nominated by a current member PAC or DPAC. 3 Nomination Form

The following Board positions are open for election at the 2024 AGM:

Position Term length Term

- President 2 year 2024-2026
- 1st Vice-President 1 year 2024-2025
- 2nd Vice-President 2 year 2024-2026
- Secretary 2 year 2024-2026
- Indigenous Director 1 year 2024-2025
- Director (3 positions available) 2 year 2024-2026
- Director (2 positions available) 1 year 2024-2025

We recommend that if you are interested in putting your name forward, you review the Nomination Form, as well as Information for Board Nominees.

Elections will take place at the AGM on Saturday, May 4, 2024.

6. Parent Education Conference - May 3, 2024 Join us in person in Richmond for our annual parent education conference on Friday May 3, 2024. This year's theme and content focus is "Back to Basics - Building Capacity". Attendees will have the opportunity to hear directly from Minister Singh and senior Ministry staff, and to learn from the BCCPAC Board and other presenters, while also connecting with other parents from across the province.

Early Bird Pricing available until April 2 Conference fee discounts are available to members who register and pay by April 2.

7. Annual General Meeting - May 4 & 5, 2024 Proxy Forms must be submitted by April 28 to be processed in time for pickup prior to the AGM. Travel subsidies will be available for a maximum of two delegates in each school district, with administration of the subsidies to be managed by the DPAC.

	 Lower Mainland (Horseshoe Bay/West Van, all the way out to Chilliwack) \$250 *NVPAC provides a grant for ONE ATTENDEE per Family of Schools to attend the AGM. (Cove Cliff not eligible) Important Dates & Deadlines February 24 Special Resolution Submission Deadline February 27 Town Hall: Advocacy Training Discussion February 28 Parent Award Submission Deadline Student Award Application Deadline March 31 Board Nomination Submission Deadline April 2 Early Bird Registration Deadline Hotel Room Rate Cut-Off (to receive reduced rate) April 28 Conference & AGM Registration Deadline Proxy Form Submission Deadline 	
New Business	FUNDRAISING TruEarth: Clicks on Fundraising link: 228 Sales 14 Sales Amount \$1156 Earnings \$264 4-Day 30% Commission Booster Event! February 15 – 18 -Net Zero Company Fundraising Opportunity: www.netzerocompany.com	ACTION:

		Proposal accepted February13, 2024. More details to come				
Adjourned	Approx: 8:30pm					
Next PAC Meeting: March 12, 2024 at 7pm in the Library						

Attendees:

Sarah Best
Paul Ruben
Tree Cleland
Cheri Townsend
Lisa Stewart
Julia Wagner
Wendy Kennedy
Kara Guedes