Southeast Kootenay District Parent Advisory Council General Meeting Minutes Wednesday, June 10th, 2015

In Attendance

EXECUTIVE: Debbie- Parkland Middle School, Rosemary- Mt. Baker Senior Secondary, Marie-Laurie Middle School

DPAC REPS and PARENTS: Ute- Fernie Secondary, Kobus- Highlands Elementary, Sara-Pinewood Elementary **REGRETS:** Amy – TM Roberts Elementary, Coralee – Jaffray Jr Sec/Elementary

PARTNER GROUPS and GUESTS: Superintendent – Lynn Hauptman, Trustee- Chris Johns, CDTA- Shelly Balfour REGRETS: Trustee – Trina Ayling

Call to order: 7:01 pm

Agenda: Approved as amended

Draft Minutes: Approved as circulated

Treasurers Report:

Regular Account: \$ 7525.03 Gaming Account: \$ 50.58

DPAC District Traffic Safety Report: Please see the attached report.

Recommendations;

- a) That DPAC write a letter to MLA Bill Bennett highlighting the safety concerns from the Hwy 3 crossing.
 - Motion: Mount Baker Second: Highlands Elementary CARRIED
- b) That DPAC support a district wide traffic safety week. Motion: Mount Baker Second: Highlands Elementary **CARRIED**

Superintendents Report: Please see the attached report.

Questions regarding the new curriculum included concerns about the grade requirements and asking about the time line of implementation.

The Superintendent responded that the curriculum is in the draft stage and some is still open for public feedback with more information to come. <u>https://curriculum.gov.bc.ca/</u> and <u>http://www.sd5.bc.ca/Pages/default.aspx</u>

Trustee's Report: Passing of the budget. Total amount of \$61,443,814.

Business from Previous Minutes:

9.1 Bill 11: Education Statues Amendment Act, 2015

Burnaby DPAC sent a summary and letter template - attached

Motion: To use the letter template to express our grave concern regarding changes to The School Act deleting explicit language in section 8.2 obligating Boards of Education to consult with parents regarding the allocation of staff and resources in the school and educational services and educational programs in the school.

Motion: Laurie Second: Mount Baker CARRIED

New Business:

10.1 DPAC Year in Review: Please see attached report

- How did we do? Laurie Middle School felt we did well and was particularly proud of approving the funding request from our SD5 District Student Advisory Council (DSAC) to help aid and encourage our student leaders. What could we do better? Laurie Middle School would like to have a PAC-Nick in the Fall to bring all PAC's together for an information sharing session. Parkland Middle School would like to have a PAC Executive training session in the fall.
- 10.2 BCCPAC Membership Renewal Time Due June 30th
- 10.3 The Board has asked that the DPAC along with our educational partner groups to cosign The attached letter re: Needs Budget Motion: Laurie Second: Pinewood CARRIED

Correspondence:

An executive correspondence officer's letter from the government re: DPAC's concerns on the long form census.

Next Meeting: Wed, September 16 @ 7:00 pm

Adjournment: 8:11 pm

☺ THANK YOU and HAVE A GREAT SUMMER ☺

FYI PAC Gaming Grants are up for renewal – These are to be completed on-line by June 30th.

SD5 (Southeast Kootenay) Annual General Meeting (AGM) - Wed, October 14/2015 @ 6:30 pm at the Cranbrook Board office and via WebEx conferencing for Jaffray, Fernie, Elkford and Sparwood.

All executive positions are for a one year term and are now open for nominations.