

MINUTES – February 15th, 2017 @ Ruth King Elementary

Chair: SPEAC President Brena Robinson

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Agenda Item 1. Meeting called to order at 7:00 pm Brena acknowledged we were gathered in the Traditional Territory of the Songhees and Esquimalt First Nations. She further acknowledged the other three First Nations in which SD62 works with. Melanie led us into an icebreaker. Introductions were done.	Motions	Action	
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Let the record show that there is quorum present.			
 2. Special Presentation Kathleen King Hunt, Elder Roy Henry, Chief Russ Chipps gave us a presentation on the Role Model program, Elder in residence, and the aboriginal enhancement agreement. 	\$		
3. School Presentation – Jeanie D, Vice Principal Shared about the exciting things that are happenings at Ruth King.			
NUTRITION AND STRETCH BREAK			
4. Approval of Agenda❖ Minutes from November and January will be at March's meeting	CARRIED		
5. Business Arising/ Old Business Updates Brena purchased 5 x \$10 starbucks gift cards for the volunteers who presented to us tonight. She asked to be reimbursed. We gave two to the presenters and have three for the end of year PAC Summit. MOTION to reimburse Brena Robinson \$50 for the Starbucks gift cards. (Sangster, Dunsmuir) Brena gave a copy of the proposed budget and asked the reps. to be prepared to vote on it at the March meeting. It is based on last year's budget. a) Committee reports: I. Education Standing: Yvonne S & Brena R: A copy of the agenda for the next meeting is in your packages. II. Emergency Preparedness: Melanie A: The next meeting is Feb. 21st, 7 pm at Belmont's Learning Commons.	CARRIED		

III. Healthy Schools: Cindy A not present, report handed out. Next meeting is in April. We will be having a Social Media and Digital Citizenship presentation for parents on March 14, 2017 at Royal Bay. Q: What is SD62 doing to educate staff and parents about fentanyl crisis? Answer by Dave: Working with VIHA. They provided Secondary Principals with kits to educate students and teachers. They distributed a parent resource letter to provide parents with resource information: identify signs of OD and how to talk to your kids about drugs. Middle school principals have shared the info with staff; but use their judgement with parents to share the information. That may change depending on the communities needs. Discussion: Parents should be provided with the information in Middle School. It is better to be safe than sorry.

Dave to look at having resources be provided to Middle School parents and students in regards to the Fentanyl crisis.

b) Upcoming Events:

I. Vancouver Island Parent Conference (VIPC): Brena This year's event is being held at Royal Bay Secondary on Saturday February 25, 2017. Early bird deadline is extended to Feb. 17th. Please ensure you register ASAP if you haven't already. A question was asked about extra tickets and unused codes. We agreed to have schools use 03 and 04 for their codes if they needed extra tickets as all schools would not be using their codes.

II. **SPEAC Summit: Yvonne** June 14th at Royal Bay Secondary.

6. Education Partner Reports:

Trustee: **Diane**

Due to the court decision, regarding class size and composition, we are waiting to find out how this will impact SD62 in the upcoming school year. Unfortunately, we do not have a lot of extra classrooms and we may need to acquire more portables for several of our schools. We are also investigating land acquisitions for new schools. Feb. 14th we had a meeting with community partners about safe pathways for students to get to school. Ruth King, Hans Helgesen, Royal Bay, Sooke, Journey, Poirier, and Sangster are participating.

Superintendent & PVP: Dave said it is an interesting time. Class size and composition; what will it look like next year? It's undetermined right now. Q: if we have this concern about resources, why are we hiring another assistant superintendent? A: We have three families of schools; we never filled Paul's position as district principal, so there is funding available. The timing is right. We are a growing district and we don't want to fall behind. Q: what will be the role of the new assistant superintendents? A: They will decide based on strengths and needs.

<u>CUPE 459</u>: **Tim** Snow day was very useful; snow turning into freezing rain was a real concern. We will see more than the 36 portables that we have now.



Computer labs are on the way out the door. School Board Office has 3 times the staff it was designed for. It's a challenge but we are making it happen. Facilities hasn't grown much and the needs are growing.		
7. Executive Report: Brena We are involved in interviews for several different		Email
pools or positions (Principals, Vice-Principals, Assistant Superintendents). If		speacpres@sd62.bc.ca
you are available or interested in participating on these interview panels email		if interested in being
speacpres@sd62.bc.ca		on interview panels.
8. New Business:		
Topics PACs are interested in learning more about and discussing:		
Wait times for facilities		Email Brena if you
School Safety		have any other topics
Parent Advocacy		of interest.
MOTION to adjourn 9:30 pm	CARRIED	
Next Meeting: 7 pm on March 15 th at Happy Valley Elementary	7	

