

MINUTES Journey Middle School February 20, 2013

Chair: Stephanie Longstaff, SPEAC President Minutes: Michelle Winsor, SPEAC Secretary

	Motions	Action
1. Meeting Called to order		
Let the record show that there is quorum present.		
2. Presentation:		
Vikki White-VCPAC-Family of Schools		
Each exec member split up schools and that each exec		
member becomes the liaison to each of their chosen schools-		
they will inform school of various activities that are		
happening at the District level-Exec members will attend a		
few of the PAC meetings-it is give more of a face to the		
district level rather than repeating what the school rep is		
already doing-it will also promote getting other persons		
involved at the district level		
3. Approval of the Agenda	Carried	
• Additions: (Journey/ Dunsmuir)		
4. Approval of Month Minutes	Carried	
• Corrections: (Sooke/Willway)		
5. Business Arising/Old Business		
a. PAC Pamphlet- What is PAC?-work is starting on a brochure		
to give an idea for new PAC members to learn about the role		
of a PAC within a school- the committee is also working on a		
booklet about the role of the district PAC-Cindy Andrew		
would like to join the committee		
6. Delegate Reports:		
Asst. Superintendent – Roberta Kubik		
 Aboriginal education Council leading up to the 		
Aboriginal Success Celebration at Spencer School		
Feb 27, 2013		
• ERASE is the new provincial program on Anti-bullying -		
-our district did their training at the end of January-it		
focused on Basic Threat Assessment- Safe schools team-		
Councilors have been trained and will be added to the		
district team		

- February in our schools will see such activities as Anti Bullying Month in Savory- Willway has Minds Up, Roots of Empathy and are also a Restitution School
 Dunsmuir had Grade 9 students do a camping trip to build skills and Grade 7 students did team building skills
- Kids in the Know for Grades 4 and 8 Students is being rolled out in the district

Trustee- Neil Poirier

- Trustees toured Francis Kelsey school up in Cowichan District to learn about Blended learning
- New schools are on schedule-Glen Lake site soon to be demolished

SPVP-Windy Beadell

 Announced new role of being principal for the new Royal Bay School – very excited about her new role and is excited to see how the school grade structure will be changing within the district when the new schools openalso excited to see different changes in how the curriculum could be presented to the students in the district

Question-What is Blended Learning-using face to face with technology learning- use technology to help support the teaching of a student, it isn't sticking a child in front of a computer and lose the face to face, but using that computer to enhance the learning with the face to face

Question-what kind of technology will be in the schools whether it be new computers, laptops or Ipads? The District is budgeting for technology, but it hasn't decided what the technology in each school is going to look like

CUPE-Steve McDowell

• No report tonight

8. Treasurer's Report

- General balance: \$8,969.99 as of Jan 31, 2013
- Gaming Account: \$2,832.65 as of Jan 31, 2013
- Go to SPEAC website for Darren Laur reimbursement information

9. President's Report

- Westshore Youth Collective is made up of school counselors, social workers, etc-the focus of this meeting was to introduce that there is now an outreach center in Sooke named The Immigration Welcoming Center for families who have immigrated to Canada
- PAC audits-PAC shouldn't be audited by the District, but the individual PAC's could ask District for help auditing the books as you should have someone outside of the school audit them

10. Committee Report

a. Healthy Schools Committee-name of committee has changed-the committee will also like to focus on parent education, social emotional learning and implementing restitution-links for parents below

<u>Cannabis Use and Youth: A Parent's Guide</u> - This guide explores facts and misunderstandings about cannabis and helps parents find ways to engage their children in conversations about cannabis

<u>Kids Have Stress Too! Ideas, Tips and Strategies for Parents of Preschoolers</u>

Kids Can Cope

Straight Talk About Teens

- **b.** Emergency Prep-this new committee will be a source of information to schools about emergency preparedness and keep a continuity between the schools and keeping the schools on track with Policy 501
- c. Calendar Committee-the committee members are doing research and will be meeting again in March

Next meeting will be held on March 13,2013 at Wishart Elementary			
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Meeting adjourned at 8:49 pm	(Journey/Sooke)		