

MINUTES School Board Office January 16, 2013

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

	Motions	Action
1. Meeting Called to order 7:05pm		
Let the record show that there is quorum present.		
2. Presentation: Max Gordon-Charityworks		
Previously Capital Regional Charity Gaming		
organization-to help organizations with applying for gaming		
funding, keep organizations on track through this process,		
information and advocacy, researching funding opportunities		
and give help in writing for grants		
Question-if a school wanted money to purchase a sign for the		
school, is this something Charityworks could help with?		
Answer-Charityworks could help research the grants that the		
school is looking into and help with the next step of the process		
3. Approval of the Agenda	Carried	
Additions: no additions (Journey/Dunsmuir)		
4. Approval of December Minutes	Carried	
Corrections: (Sooke/Journey)		
5. Business Arising/Old Business		
a. Food Safe registration-must call if you haven't registered		
yet-it is on this Saturdayb. Volunteer Policy-changes have been submitted to Board		
nothing has been decided towards the policy yet		
c. VIPC Tickets-more posters to hand out-registration is at 100		
persons so far- Early Bird Registrations deadline is Feb.1,		
2013-some changes have been made to the conference line-		
up-		
6. Delegate Reports:		
Superintendent – Jim Cambridge		
• VIPC -trying to get the news out to all schools		
• New Schools Meeting- will be held Jan 29, 3013 at 7pm		
at Isabella Theatre at Spencer School-may be last public		
meeting-new information may be presented at the		
meeting-things such as education planning, timelines,		
introducing persons involved and current issues will be		
discussed-the school board has decided that each school		
will have different programs to offer		



Question-the names of schools-Glen Lake is the replacement for Belmont whereas Royal Bay is a new school-**Answer-** the School Board will have a committee set up for naming the new school

Question-if students choose to attend both schools during the day, who would provide transportation-**Answer**-options of a shuttle bus have been offered, but it is dependent on how many schools are going between the schools

- **Principal for Royal Bay-**the School Board has agreed to hire a principal for Royal Bay-this will allow this person to assist with issues pertaining to the school so when it opens, they are ready
- **Board office staff changes-**Ron Warder has retired from the district

STA-Patrick Henry

- Trying to bring teachers concerns up to the province-child poverty in BC is the worse-teachers are facing this every day in the classroom from food to school supplies
- Diversity-embracing this within our schools instead of it becoming a chance for bullying
- Negotiations coming between the province and teachersthe teachers main concern is class sizes, having funding restored to schools and targeted funding for children with special needs
- teachers are good with changes within the schools even if a little disappointed with losing administrator
- education committee meeting of the whole- talking about the shooting in Conneticut -this naturally brought up issues within our schools of the lock down and lock out procedures for our schools-teachers will be going over these policies

Questions-parent survey showing feedback from the schools who have done lock out procedures in schools recentlyhaven't thought about, but could be an opportunity Feedback about student release drill- administrators did go over policy and parents were asked for feedback at that time



SPVP-Windy Beadell

- Elementary School Principals perspective about the new schools- students at this level are very excited to be at school-students are already learning at the elementary level what the new schools are going to focus on for individual learning
- French immersion at Millstream-going very well and the prospective for next year is looking great so far

Question-are there any hard numbers for classes and teachers yet? A Grade 1 class is for sure- registration procedures are being looked at as Nature Kindergarten is facing some of the same issues as French Immersion

CUPE-Steve McDowell

- Negotiations have been happening all this week
- Grounds have gone back to winter mode-less persons available
- Playground projects are done for the winter
- Tenders for Glen Lake tear down are due by the end of the month- things from the school will be salvaged

Questions-when can the tree at EMCS be done to reveal the sign -Steve will take it to Trent

7. Correspondence –

- **BCCPAC-**reply to letter sent from SPEAC-Stephanie read our letter
- 8. Treasurer's Report
 - General balance: \$8,969.99
 - Gaming Account: as of Nov. 14, 2012-\$2832.63
 - money from District totaled \$4750.00

Question-Does SPEAC have a way of generating funds outside of District-no

9. President's Report

- **a.** Harold new secretary treasurer-will be upholding the policy where schools need to be audited for non-public funds (any money that is fundraised, from vending machines, etc.)-PAC funds will be audited as well
- b. **SPC event** on Feb. 21, 2013-Dinner 6pm Meeting at 6:30pm
- c. **VIPC**-happy new is getting out and registration is climbing
- d. **PAC Pamphlet-** What is a PAC introduction and information-Anna Ballard (Colwood) needs help with constructing the pamphlet-Dara Kirkpatrick



(Millstream)offered to help	
10. Committee Report	
a. Calendar (Bill 33)-this committee is not about 2 week spring	
break or next year's calendar-it is to discuss Bill 33 and where the	
district can go with this	
b. Comprehensive School Health- Swatti S. is stepping down as	
chair of this committee –Cindy Andrews will be taking this position –	
this is not just healthy eating within schools, it involves mental health	
as well	
Question- has anything been put forth to involve SPC or Principals	
and to have something like the Farm to Schools involved with the	
new schools planning -the goal is to integrate the learning to all areas	
in school	
d. Emergency Prep-Policy 501 will be voted in soon (personal	
safety in any emergency situation) -committee is looking for	
parents who would be interested in sitting on this committee –	
this committee will be starting up in the next month or so –	
anyone who is interested can contact SPEAC to get necessary	
information	

Next meeting will be held at Journey Middle School on February 20, 2013 at 7pm		
Meeting adjourned at	Carried	
(Sooke/ David Cameron)		