



**MINUTES**  
**November 19, 2014**  
**Dunsmuir Middle School**

**Chair: SPEAC President-Dory Thuot**  
**Minutes: SPEAC Secretary-Michelle Winsor**

	<b>Motions</b>	<b>Action</b>
<p><b>1. Meeting Called to order at 7:07pm</b>  <b>Let the record show that there is quorum present.</b>  <b>In attendance:</b> Willway, Westshore, Belmont, Ruth King, Colwood, Wishart, Dunsmuir, David Cameron, Savory, Hans Helgesen, Happy Valley, Spencer, John Stubbs</p>		
<p><b>2. Dunsmuir Welcome-</b> from Principal and Vice Principals- showed a video Dunsmuir produced to show the activities that happen throughout the school year at Dunsmuir</p> <p><b>3. Presentation: SD 62 –Transitions Forward 2015- Jim Cambridge, Dave Betts</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Transitions Forward 2015 is the new name and logo for the transition in the district</li> <li>• District has started giving parent/student presentations and will continue into January 2015- a new website will be launched to address the transition news-the website will have a main page with links directing user to individual pages of information-SD 62 is adding FAQ's that have been asked by parents, students and staff about the District transition to the website</li> <li>• District is moving away from naming the district by zones-it will be broken up into Family groups-Belmont family, Milnes Landing family and Royal Bay Family</li> <li>• Catchment areas will be based on addresses-if parents decide to change their child from one school to another, a school change request form can be filled out</li> <li>• Winter formal and safe grad in the high schools will be spent together and the graduation ceremonies will be separate to allow students to participate with those they would have graduated with</li> <li>• Belmont School will be offering the French Immersion program for the high school level, not Royal Bay-French Immersion students will be moved to Belmont automatically</li> <li>• Both schools will be on a similar time table to allow the possibility of students to move between the high schools for individual courses held at each school</li> </ul>		



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<p><b>CUPE-Tim Hamblin</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Construction of the schools will continue right up to the date of the opening making moving of everything from Belmont difficult-Buses and facilities will be moving to their new location hopefully by March 2015-</li> </ul> <p><b>CPF-Cendra Beaton</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• invited a children's entertainer to John Stubbs with all students having a great time</li> <li>• CPF is having a raffle to support French Immersion resources within the school</li> </ul> <p><b>7. Correspondence – no Correspondence</b></p> <p><b>8. Treasurer's Report</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Gaming balance: \$2764.84</b></li> <li>• <b>General Account: \$1685.94</b></li> <li>• Budget will be presented in January 2015</li> </ul> <p><b>9. Committee Reports:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Healthy School-SPEAC</b> is asking for feedback from parents to go to Healthy Schools Committee-pamphlets about healthy schools and school connectedness</li> <li>• <b>PAC 101 Night and Healthy Schools Night-</b> many vendors attended the night to promote their healthy school foods-VIHA presented about the new BC Food Guide Guidelines for the individual school hot foods programs</li> <li>• From the PAC 101 and Healthy Schools night, SPEAC has been asked to investigate creating an online forum for parents to ask questions and talk about issues and to promote conversation between parents of the district -some limitations will be put on to moderate conversation-schools attending the meeting showed a positive response to move forward with this suggestion</li> <li>• <b>Healthy Schools Forum-</b>February 2015 as a possible date-Self regulation and Mental Health are key topics for the forum-parents suggested Sexual Health as a topic</li> </ul>		
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<p><b>11. Discussion of Emergent Issues</b></p> <p><b>a. CRD 2015 Recycling and SD 62</b>-the issue was brought forward to district-out district holds the policy where whatever garbage is brought into the schools must be taken out-District will need to renegotiate their contract to follow new regulations-</p> <p><b>Motion to write to the District concerning 2015 CRD recycling Compliance (Spencer/Ruth King)</b></p> <p><b>b. Guidelines for Community Consultants</b>-staff procedure on how to bring in external support from the community into the school- district would like feedback from parents concerning regulating the policy around this issue</p> <p><b>c. Education Standing Committee</b>-the Volunteer Policy that was written last year by SPEAC has been challenged-should the criminal check be valid for 1 year as per policy or should the policy read that the criminal check be valid for 5 years as presented by the other source-it was presented that SPEAC do some research to see what other policies are in place within the province pertaining to criminal checks</p> <p><b>Motion to continue meeting until 9:40pm (Ruth king/ Wishart)</b></p> <p><b>12. Meeting adjourned at 9:50pm (Wishart/Spencer)</b></p> <p><b>Next meeting will be held on December 10, 2014 at School Board Office at 7pm</b></p>	<p><b>Carried</b></p> <p><b>Carried</b></p>	<p><b>Brena R.</b></p>
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