



MINUTES
September 19, 2012
School Board Office

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

	Motions	Action
1. Meeting Called to order 7:02pm Let the record show that there is quorum present.		
2. Presentation: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No presentation 		
3. Approval of the Agenda <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Additions: no additions <p style="text-align: right;">(Dunsmuir/Savory)</p>	Carried	
4. Approval of June Minutes <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Corrections: no corrections <p style="text-align: right;">(Dunsmuir/Happy Valley)</p>	Carried	
5. Business Arising/Old Business <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Peagravel Letter-SPEAC has sent a letter asking for some clarification from Board Chair Hobbs concerning her last letter-still waiting for reply b. Student Release Drill- press release went out today and Stephanie L. had an interview with CFAx this afternoon concerning this subject 		

<p>6. Delegate Reports:</p> <p>Superintendent – Jim Cambridge</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Enrollment-will know all of the numbers by the end of the month –two classes added at elementary, one for John Stubbs and 1 for Poirier – keeping class limits under 30 students per class- • New Schools-everything is going well, but there was a hold up at provincial level with treasury board meetings-will now occur in November • Vice Principals and Principals-starting hiring process for new principals and VPs for the pool • District Staff-a lot of new staff at district level-Ron Warder may not be returning to the district, but remains active from home 		
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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Theatre use committee-the board is creating a committee for theatre us –The two theatres in district are Isabelle Reader at Spencer and Edward Milne at EMCS-district will be creating a 3rd theatre when Royal Bay is complete-the current theatres have different systems when it comes to renting the facility and district would like to establish some consistency between the two • Questions <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -what is the expected date of the schools opening?-proposed date is September 2015 -When will the Theatre committee be meeting?-Theatre committee meeting is Sept 27 at 4pm -Dunsmuir Fire Damage- small fire in the roof of Dunsmuir school yesterday-looks like someone had created the fire-police have someone in custody- the damage is minimal 		
<p>SPVP-Paul Block –</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • the schools have had a great start-teachers are excited to be back-lots of new Principals and VPs in schools-if there is anything that you would like to ask of Paul, you can email him at pblock@sd.62.ca <p>CUPE-Steve McDowell</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Was asked to provide updates to parents that CUPE is involved in- playground upgrade schedule Millstream is happening now, Port Renfrew-will be starting in the next few weeks, Dunsmuir-to begin possibly on Oct 18, Ruth King is in the planning stage- <p>Trustee-Wendy Hobbs</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Welcome back and looking forward to a great year –looking forward to getting the schools moving forward 		
<p>7. Correspondence –</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • STA Letter-there is no direct directive so teachers can go in the direction they choose • BCCPAC-we are members of BCCPAC 		
<p>8. Treasurer's Report</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Gaming balance: \$467.01 • General Account: \$10,342.17 		

<p>9. President's Report</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SPEAC has officially asked District for Student Release Drill- District has recently stated that they can organize one school- SPEAC sent out a press release bringing awareness to this request -Parent suggestion-parents should be able to say that they will not be participating in the drill • Lice procedure-new superintendent who is working on it is very positive towards getting the new policy going – the committee compromised, between VIHA's Sunday night checks at home and the parents wanting checks at school, to schools can have checks if done by a trained team. • Recycling- SPEAC is asking for employees of schools to improve their Recycling practices -there has been a new contract signed saying that all schools can recycle all blue bin materials –SPEAC reps please investigate their school's practices and report back • PAC Education events-all events will be on Thursdays- Oct 25 Secretaries, Nov 1 Presidents and VP-Nov 8 Gaming/Treasurers • SPEAC Webpage-has all minutes and information concerning SPEAC • Illuminate- will be using electronic meeting forum for every SPEAC meeting this year • Theatre Use Committee-is anyone here interested in attending meetings? Georgina is interested 		
<p>11. Committee Report</p> <p>a. Comprehensive School Health-Swatti S.-there are things coming down from Provincial levels into the district level-SPEAC is drafting a letter to describe what they believe is a healthy school-CSH is not just healthy foods in the school, it is also the mental health of the students as individuals and as a whole school –VIHA will be involved by collecting data from the schools to see their practices</p> <p>12. New Business</p> <p>a. PAC Survey Topics-SPEAC is looking for topics- we can ask the whole parent population or just survey individual groups-no ideas presented at this time-contact Stephanie with any ideas</p>		

