

MINUTES General Meeting November 17, 2010 Ruth King Elementary School Library

Chair: Brenda Cyr, SPEAC President Minutes: Stephanie Longstaff, SPEAC Secretary

	Motions	Action
1. Meeting Called to order at 7:00 p.m.		
Introductions 14 parents present		
2. Presentation:		
Gary Manhas - Ruth King Principal 286 students Reading		
a large focus. Strong start here, Journeys of the Heart for		
aboriginal students, Music program in the school this year		
3. Approval of the Agenda	Carried	
• Additions: none		
(Sooke/Lakewood)		
4. Approval of October Minutes	Carried	
(Colwood/Sooke)		
5. Delegate Reports:		
Superintendent – Jim Cambridge		
• Next week celebration of acquisition of the land for the new		
Belmont school adjacent to the old Glen Lake elem - Wed		
Nov 24 11:30 am City Centre field All welcome to attend		
• Art Centre group hoping for a facility adjacent to or included		
in the new school at Royal Bay - theatre for 800 to 1000		
Dance studios and other services. Large group meeting with		
the SD and working on this.		
• Meeting and looking into University opportunities for our		
kids that want to go to Camosun or UVic. A simple program		
for student to do their first year in a public school.		
• Anywhere in the westshore would be much more accessible		
for all students especially those from Sooke or further		
Trustee – Denise Riley		
• Budget discussions a new process in place. Earlier and more consultative.		
• Metchosin School is leased by the Metchosin Arts. They have		
applied for a grant to remain.		
• Policies – Child abuse policy is before the board because of		
the changes in legislation. Upon looking at that there needs to		
be revisions to others at the same time.		



5 minute Break

6. Business Arising/Old Business	
 Budget Discussion- Terry/Brenda – move to new 	
business	
WS Crystal Meth funds – Terry/Karen	
The WS Crystal meth is no longer/ it was thought SPEAC had	
been paid the money, VP in communication at this time	VP
• VI Parents' Conference – Neil – move to budget	
discussion	
Spoke to VCPAC they want funds	
C&B Review in planning	
• S.P.C. District meeting – Dunsmuir	
 Nov 30 - Belmont 6 – 8:30 	
• Invite to Kathleen King –Hunt – not done yet	
• Lice group – many names have come forward. How will	
we pick who will sit on this group?	President
President will ask Jim for details on numbers and time commitment	1 i coluciit



for this group.		
Stretch break		·
7. Correspondence –		
• BCCPAC – EGM both motions failed		
• Invite from SD 62 - to the Media event on land acquisition		Treasurer will
Wed Nov 24 11:30am City Centre Field		attend
8. Treasurer's Report - Terry		
• Gaming balance: \$3319.84		
• General Account: \$3035.19		
• A few schools left to register invoices issued		
9. President's Report - Brenda		
• Nothing to report at this time		
10. Executive Reports		
• Treasurer and Gaming events were held on Oct 27 and 28 th -		
were a great success with over a dozen parents at each event		
including some from other districts		
• Emergency Preparedness event held Nov 4 th – over a dozen		
parents, guest speakers and pamphlets, lots of info. Lots of		
confusion out there on who is responsible for what. School		
District needs to work with local authorities to get procedures		
clear and implemented.		Stef/Kelly
• Secretaries and Safe arrival – Jan 11 th and 12 th 7- 8:30 at SBO		Stel/Kelly
11. New Business		
a. Budget -		
• Vancouver Island Parent conference strong support, perhaps do		
a deal with PACs, like if they buy one we could buy one for		
them. To be discussed at a later meeting.		
• Speakers are the highest priority around the room		
• More support and speakers for PACs		
• Emergency Preparedness Education - binder from SD 44		
• Terry has numbers and will bring back a firm budget for		Treasurer
approval at the December meeting.		Treusurer
Motion - \$2000 to support the VIP conference (Journey/ Belmont)	Carried	Treasurer/ 2 nd
(Journey/ Bennont)		VP
2 nd VP will contact Superintendent to ask if SD is interested in helping		
out with \$\$ for the VIP Conference also, since Victoria SD is.		Second VP
b. P/T Interviews		
Concern about less P/T interview times this year. Should we be		
looking into better lines of communication than just P/T interview?		
Ask your PAC how it went in your school to be discussed at Dec		



meeting.		Members
Motion – President ask Superintendent to report back to SPEAC at		
the December meeting on the success of this recent P/T process.	Carried	
(Dunsmuir/Journey)		President
Motion – President discuss with STA to ask how they feel about the	~	
changes to P/T interviews now that one has passed.	Carried	
(Journey/Willway)		President
Next meeting will be held at:		
The School Board Office, board room December 8, 2010 @ 7pm		
(Bring your favorite goodie to share)		
12. Meeting adjourned at 9:20pm	Carried	
(Spencer/Millstream)		

President _____

Secretary _____

Date approved _____