



DPAC NOTES

From the DPAC Meeting of November 10, 2009

1. **Parent Leadership Task Force:** Want to help shape the future of parent leadership in SD73? Application forms are being finalized and will be distributed shortly through school principals, and through PAC's.
2. **F.O.R.C.E. Community Team Partnering:** Three people have expressed interest in participating on behalf of DPAC in this kids' mental health initiative. We'll keep you posted.
3. **School Planning Council training:** A date for those SPC's that expressed interest in receiving training is expected to be published shortly by the District.
4. **Distribution of 3rd party materials via DPAC e-mail list:** Should DPAC send information on behalf of other groups? If so, under what guidelines? Are we not distributing enough, or are we burying you in spam? PAC input and thoughts are welcome.
5. **SD73 Corporate Sponsorship Policy:** Status: Back in committee for more deliberation. The latest draft suggests that \$5,000.00 be the point at which SD73 approval is required, and that any contracts longer than one year also require SD73 approval. New: a proposal that fundraising for extra-curricular athletics be distributed via a pool for the entire School district.
6. **Parent Education:** PAC networking luncheon will be Wed Nov 25 from 11.30 am to 1.30 pm. Two reps from every PAC are invited. RSVP by Nov 20 to sd73dpac@gmail.com.
7. **BCCPAC membership:** It was noted that last year 30 schools in SD73 were members, this year only 10. DPAC feels there is value in having a strong provincial voice for parents, and encourages PACs to review this issue. Membership costs \$65 per year, and fees must be received by December 15, 2009 in order for PACs to vote at the AGM. DPAC would welcome comment on the reason for PAC decisions, for or against.
8. **Facilities report:** DPAC continues to attend consultation meetings to monitor the process. Input can still be submitted to the District, even after consultation meetings, up to 2 weeks before the decision date.
9. **BCTF Conference:** There were three applicants, one has been selected to attend.
10. **Trustee Harper** commented on the International Baccalaureate presentation that Heffley Elementary made to the School Board meeting on Nov 9th.

PAC Actions:

- Review BCCPAC membership, pass comments on to DPAC
- Comment on distribution of 3rd party materials from DPAC mailing list
- RSVP to PAC networking lunch invitation by Nov. 20

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**Next DPAC Meeting: - Tuesday, Dec 08, 2009
7:00 pm – 9:00 pm at Henry Grube Education Centre
Representatives from all PACs in School District 73 are welcome.**