



West Sechelt Elementary – P.A.C. Meeting Minutes December 2nd, 2014

Present: Iris Seabrook, Lisa Croteau , Allyson Fawcus, Kate Turner, Yancy Bromley, Aspen Wing,
Ray Clayton, Christine Younghusband, Debra Odgaard, Melissa Kelly, Danielle Martin, Tara Cowie

Late Arrivals:

Regrets: Ted Chrisholm

Recorder: Kate Turner

	Topic	Discussion	Actions
1	Call to Order 6:40pm		
2	Introductions	Round the room introductions. No New Faces.	
3	Acceptance of Agenda	Motion by Lisa to accept the proposed agenda, seconded by Kate with the following amendments Add Grocery Receipt report to old business and Grow-Op/Year Book Update to New Business.	Motion Carried
4	Acceptance of minutes from November.	Motion by Kate to accept the minutes from November’s meeting, seconded by Aspen	Motion Carried
5.0	Regular Reports		
5.1	Treasurer’s Report	Current Balance of \$5789.15 in the checking account. \$565.10 in the Gaming account.	

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5.2	Principal's Report	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mrs. Chambers has tendered her resignation for retirement. The job was posted and expected to be filled immediately with transition to take place by the end of this school week. • Student Planning Counsel will meet early in the new year to review the December report date summaries. • New Pro-D day now on Calendar for JANUARY 19th to make up for one missed in September • School photo retakes–Tuesday Dec. 2nd– photos should arrive before winter break. • Grade 6/7 class to move to new portable before winter break and their old classroom will be used as the support service classroom until it is needed for a new division. • Report Cards sent home Friday November 28th, Early dismissals and parent–teacher interviews will be held Dec 3rd and 4th. • Book Fair on this week– there may be the possibility of a spring bookfair. • Holiday Performance will take place Thursday Dec. 18th at 1:30pm. • FSA– Grades 4 & 7 process will begin in January • Co–Ed Volleyball Team tournament is Thursday December 11th at Elphinstone– looking for Parent Drivers. • Thursday December 11th– Primary Skate at the Sechelt Ice Rink • Weds December 17th– Intermediate Ice Skate at the Sechelt Ice Rink • Friday Dec. 19th at 11:15am in the Gym– Christmas tree making craft– Parents need to send foil covered cardboard and a bag of candies. • QSP Fundraising has ended. 	
5.3	Chair's Report	Nothing to Report	

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5.4	Playground Committee Report-Allyson	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Playground committee met on Dec. 1st. • Planning a natural play area that will include a large net climber along with logs, tires, sand and small tables all for imaginative play. These elements will be laid out in such a way that it will encourage our students to engage with others while building their skills and imaginations with challenging activities. • The next stage is appearing to be quite straight forward and should come at a low cost. • We may have to raise funds for the climbing net but are hopeful that a grant we will apply for will cover the expense. • This month we will be measuring the proposed area and checking fall zones in order to prepare a layout to present to Mr. Clayton for approval. • The next meeting is scheduled for January 19th, 2015 at 6:30pm in the West Sechelt Community Use Room (Subject to change as this is now a Pro-D Day). 	*Send out Phase 1 Thank you Cards
5.5	Community School Report-Ted	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ted sent out some great info on the Walking School Bus program- will be looking into this further in the new year. • Sheila Watson will be doing the Roots of Empathy program at West Sechelt, a baby has become available. She will be confirming class, teacher and times in the next week or so- likely to start after the Christmas break. • Family Basketball Friday nights will finish for the holidays- turnout has been low • A Questionnaire Re: Homework Club will be send out prior to Christmas Break so we can look at implementation in the new year. • Farm to School- Marnie has arranged for the donation of 3 large raised beds to add to the plot. We will be picking them up this week. 	

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5.6	SC46 Board Report-Christine	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> December 9th Inaugural Meeting Planned Budget for 2015–2016 School Year Working with the YMCA to set up two new daycares on the Coast Celebration of Education–Student Project Sakinaw Lake– Editorial in the paper. Kaitlyn Pritchard– District Student Trustee doing an Outstanding job. Sexual Orientation and Gender Identity brochure online. Respectful and welcoming learning environments for everyone. 	
6.0	Old Business		
6.1	Book Bingo Winners Update–Aspen	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Winners of this Years Book Bingo are: Lilly Wilson, Hannah Wing, Isabella Paolazza, and Sedona Allen. 	
6.2	Claytons/IGA Grocery Tapes Winner.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> This Terms winner is Mrs. Allen’s Class Mr. Clayton to use part of our Clayton’s Credit to purchase Icing for the Christmas Tree Cookie Decorating. 	*Notify Mrs Allen
7.0	New Business		
7.10	December Spending Approvals- Allyson	No Spending Approvals this Month	
7.11	Hot lunch	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Thank–You to all Our Hot Lunch Helpers! This month we saw the highest number or orders yet! December 16th– Buffet Day– Cupcakes to go out as well 	

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7.12	DPAC Update	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SD46 Secretary Treasurer Nicholas Weswick gave a budget presentation on the 2015–2016. A preliminary Budget consultation is under the ‘Meeting Package’ Link in the Committee of the Whole section for Nov. 25th, 2014. Further information may be available as the budget details are finalized. http://www.sd46.bc.ca/index.php/2014-15-board-meetings • SD46 Assistant Superintendent Greg Kitchen gave a presentation on Community emergency preparedness. A draft report is under the ‘Agenda and Reports’ Link in the Regular Board Meeting section for Nov. 18th 2014 page 21–29. http://www.sd46.ba.ca/index.php/2014-15-board-meetings • Allan Stevenson has offered to take the treasurer position for DPAC and is interested in attending committee meetings as well. DPAC will hold a vote in January to make his position official. • DPAC is hoping to “Brand” itself in order to become more recognizable to parents. We are looking forward to the process of creating a logo and an informational brochure explaining the purpose of DPAC and answering questions. We hope to have this task completed before the end of the school year. • The next DPAC meeting is January 22, 2015– 7:00pm in the Chatelech Gym. 	
7.13	Grow-Op	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • It has come to our attention that the possibility of a Medicinal Marijuana Grow-Op business is hoping to take place in close proximity to the West Sechelt Elementary School. Our parents have addressed some concern towards this matter and would like to have a further discussion regarding this matter inclusive of the SD46 and the District of Sechelt. 	*Allyson to draft a letter voicing our concerns to DPAC and the SD46 Board.
7.14	YearBook Update:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Aspen met with six grade 7 students to start the planning of the 2014–2015 Yearbook. • They set the layout and chose the cover and back page design. • Year book will need to be completed by April in order to finalize and print. 	

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8.0	Meeting Adjourned 8:10pm	Next Meeting Date: Tuesday, January 6th, 2015- 6:30pm in the Community Use Room	