



VANCOUVER DPAC • EXECUTIVE MEETING

May 14, 2020 • 7-9:30pm

Online via Zoom

EXECUTIVE

Chair:	Shaun Kalley	At-Large:	Alan Patola Moosmann	Sandra Bell (regrets)
Vice-Chair:	Amanda Hillis		Karen Tsang (regrets)	Skye Richards
Treasurer:	Peter Couch		Paula Temrick	Vik Khanna
Secretary:	Gord Lau			

ATTENDEES

Alex Dow (Hamber), Anita Chui (Churchill, Laurier), Anthony Floyd (LEB, Tupper), Chaunce Drury (Tyee), David Schaub (False Creek), Deb Broadhurst (Southlands), Denise A Lee (Tillicum), Jen Brummitt (Tyee), JoAnne Purvis (Livingston), May Ke (Churchill), Michael Lang (Kerrisdale)

GUESTS

Jody Langlois, Associate Superintendent - School Services
Carmen Cho, Board Vice-Chair

MINUTES

Called to order @ 7:03PM

1. Standing Items

- 1.1. Welcome and Acknowledgement
- 1.2. Introductions
- 1.3. Motion to approve the agenda (7:24PM, moved by Gord, seconded by Amanda -- approved)
- 1.4. Motion approve the minutes of the April 9, 2020 Executive Meeting ([link](#)) (moved by Peter, seconded by Alan - approved) (7:56PM)
- 1.5. Report from Jody Langois
 - 1.5.1. Tomorrow is Indigeneous Focus Day -- previously planned for a full gather of staff, will now be presented via recorded content. Andrea Maynard will be the keynote speaker. Looking for participants to help identify gaps to close.
 - 1.5.1.1. Question re: shared videos - any ability for parents to access. (Jody will find out, would like to)
 - 1.5.2. Summer school format will change to online. Scope of offerings and target audience has been narrowed, focus on graduation. Students outside of VSB still can access VLN.

1.5.3. Some students are already attending schools, some childcare (essential service workers) and students with special needs (lifeskills classes at Tupper), only four students out of 25 available seats. Will continue to roll out over the next week, more elementary students next week. Staff had a chance to see the setting prior to starting

1.5.3.1. Question re: essential worker childcare - is that existing providers, or VSB staff? (Answer: VSB staff, mandated to provide free to essential worker staff. Now at two sites, not three sites as previously. 136 students between two sites)

Followup question - re: how does this feed into the idea of VSB obtaining childcare license. (Answer: Not related, this is considered "in school support" by province in this situation.)

Are they getting instruction and what are the age ranges? (Answer: 5 to 12, per mandate from ministry; staff are supporting and facilitating work on what has been provided by their teacher)

1.5.4. Food security - lots happening; notable response, Freshroots feeding 300 families (600 meals) twice a week; space donated by Italian Cultural Center; also some volunteers with deliveries. Chefs and kitchens that have been sidelined also stepping up. Other initiatives too, Backpack Buddies, etc. This is also in addition to ongoing VSB programs.

1.5.5. Other initiatives - Telus bringing WiFi to families, tech being distributed by school district, school PACs bringing gift cards to vulnerable families.

Will playgrounds be opened at end of month? (Looking at it, trying to work in lockstep with Vancouver Parks and advice from PHO.)

1.6. Trustee Cho

1.6.1. Advocacy meetings postponed until September

1.6.2. Coffee meeting held last Saturday recorded livestream session (45 questions into general themes); thank you for the feedback

1.6.3. Trustee videos coming out over the next little while to liaison schools and broader community, trying to connect with community

1.6.4. Facilities and finance meetings went well, thank you for questions in advance

1.6.5. CoW May 20, comments on the budget.

1.7. Chair Report (Shaun)

1.7.1. Town Hall well attended, next town hall next Thursday

1.7.2. AGM planned for next month, nominations being accepted; returning DPAC exec need endorsements

1.7.3. Still looking for surveys re: PAC spending and playgrounds to be filled out

1.7.4. Access to Zoom

- 1.7.5. Hearing differing types of contact from the school, causes stress (likely a secondary issue). Email, Teams, Teams Calendar -- not consistent. Any reports of similar, please share. Many other comments follow. (7:55PM - 8:21PM)
- 1.8. Treasurer Report (Peter) ([link](#)) (8:21PM)
 - 1.8.1. Question re: gaming funds - can they be carried forward (Yes, has been 36 months for PACs but we'll verify if it's changed. DPACs can only carry forward for a year) [verified: "PACs must disburse grant funds within 36 months of the date the Community Gaming Grant was received by the PAC."
<https://www2.gov.bc.ca/assets/gov/sports-recreation-arts-and-culture/gambling/grants/guide-pac.pdf>]
 - 1.8.2. If having trouble with gaming grant application, please contact DPAC
- 1.9. Committee Reports ([link](#))
 - 1.9.1. VSB Standing Committee
 - 1.9.1.1. Facilities & Planning (May 6 | Amanda)
 - 1.9.1.2. Finance (May 13 | Peter)
 - 1.9.2. VSB ad-hoc committee
 - 1.9.2.1. Calendar committee (Alex)
 - 1.9.3. DPAC Standing committee
 - 1.9.3.1. Childcare (Alan)

2. Old Business (8:34PM)

- 2.1. April General Meeting on LRFP recap
 - 2.1.1. Discussed a number of themes in that last general meeting. Parents want the LRFP to showcase that the LRFP is about education, putting kids first today and tomorrow. Do not feel that the LRFP adequately addressed many issues, ie: crowding in False Creek/Olympic Village. Would like transparency of data, ie: data and assumptions.
- 2.2. Education Planner Session on October 15: Location preference -
 - 2.2.1. Need wifi, etc. Room 180, John Oliver auditorium.
 - 2.2.2. They normally look for rooms that fit 50. Decision to book VSB Education Centre.
- 2.3. BCCPAC AGM
 - 2.3.1. Q&A at end good, suggest looking for this online
 - 2.3.2. Over 300 attendees.
- 2.4. Bylaw revision (Shaun), tabled
- 2.5. Procedures manual (Paula/Shawn) (8:48PM)
 - 2.5.1. TO DO - schedule a 2 hour meeting with exec, for interview. Do as group.

3. New Business

- 3.1. Topic for May General Meeting
 - 3.1.1. Gather feedback from PACs regarding online learning, maybe start from a desired state. Maybe get a speaker from VSB. (Baseline expectations explanation, maybe?) Broader conversation may be “educating during a pandemic”. Student voice. (Vik and Alan to organize)
- 3.2. Transitions to Secondary
 - 3.2.1. During Virtual Coffee Chat with Janet Fraser and Carmen Cho there was a suggestion of PACs finding ways to help with transition to secondary. Discussion if there was a role for DPAC. A virtual orientation provided by Secondary school PAC/staff could be helpful.
 - 3.2.2. Comment that Laurier has a staff role for this, but not well received by kids.
 - 3.2.3. How will traditional orientation tools work in a virtual environment (ie: student volunteers for orientation)
- 3.3. DPAC AGM (9:10PM)
 - 3.3.1. Agenda (Shaun) -- no objections to general format
 - 3.3.2. Budget (Peter) -- first draft budget presented
 - 3.3.3. 2020/21 Meeting Calendar (Amanda) ([original](#)) ([amended](#)) -- amended version to be presented
 - 3.3.4. Transition Meeting -- poll sent, please respond
- 3.4. Government of BC’s Select Standing Committee on Finance & Government Services call for submissions - Alan has volunteered to draft a submission for DPAC
- 3.5. Sustainability - CoV, VSB (Skye)
 - 3.5.1. VSB very constrained, CoV more open to continuing conversation
 - 3.5.2. Want to hear from staff (non-political) re: where these initiatives are heading (hope to organize for October/November)
- 3.6. Motion: Online tools - budget (Amanda) (moved by Amanda, seconded by Vik) -- passed by majority
(amendment re:Zoom moved by Gord, seconded by Peter -- amendment withdrawn)
 - Motion: Spend \$540 plus any taxes to upgrade DPAC’s Zoom account for May and June.
 - Rationale: This would allow 300 participants per meeting versus 100 as well as some other features. With 104 PACs, 10 execs, guests including trustees, VSB staff, and other potential presenters, it is important to have sufficient bandwidth, especially for our Town Halls and AGM.
- 3.7. Setup a budget session with VSB (Peter)
- 3.8. Meeting closed at 9:38PM

3.9. AoB (Any other Business)?

4. Announcements

- 4.1. Wednesday, May 20, 7pm – [Special Board / Committee of the Whole Meeting](#)
- 4.2. Thursday, May 21, 7pm – [DPAC Town Hall](#) ([submit questions](#) before May 20)
- 4.3. Monday, May 25, 7pm – [Board Meeting](#)
- 4.4. Thursday, May 28, 7pm – [DPAC General Meeting](#)
- 4.5. Wednesday, June 3, 5pm – [Personnel Committee Meeting](#)
- 4.6. Wednesday, June 3, 6:30pm – [Policy & Governance Committee Meeting](#)
- 4.7. Wednesday, June 10, 5pm – [Student Learning & Well-being Committee Meeting](#)
- 4.8. Wednesday, June 10, 6:30pm – [Facilities Planning Committee Meeting](#)
- 4.9. Thursday, June 11, 7pm – [DPAC Executive Meeting](#)
- 4.10. Thursday, June 18, 7pm – [DPAC AGM](#)