

## MINUTES General Meeting October 20, 2010 Journey Middle school

Chair: Brenda Cyr, SPEAC President

**Minutes: Stephanie Longstaff, SPEAC Secretary** 

	Motions	Action
1. Meeting Called to order at 7:01 p.m.		
Let the record show that there is quorum present.		
22 parents present		
2. Presentation:		
• Wayne Kelly VP - really enjoys the 6 – 8 configurations.		
Band program building quickly. Hoping to have a hockey		
academy, application in and some of the steps have been		
taken with the hope of having it running Sept 2011		
3. Approval of the Agenda	Carried	
Approved as amended		
Move delegate reports before business arising		
( Colwood/ Past president)		
4. Approval of September Minutes	Carried	
As presented		
(Colwood/EMCS)		

## 6. Delegate Reports: **Superintendent – Jim Cambridge** Buildings update- Lakewood, Happy Valley, Crystal View and John Stubbs are full construction sites now. Play space is a challenge. They each have an extra noon hour duty and the gyms are made available for lunch times Modular work is moving forward on schedule Will have a media event to celebrate the purchase of the property at the old Glen Lake sight. Hope for approval in the spring for new high schools to be built 70 staff and admin took part on the high threat risk assessment training. Great training to help prevent violence • One Myth learned– that someone snaps, then does something violent, there is usually a long road before someone goes there. We want to learn how to recognize this road. Protocols need to be created – life trumps privacy. If the SD has concerns about a student they should be able to attain



- information on that student from other agencies if they are concerned about them. Currently that can be a challenge
- We need to set a threat assessment protocol. This protocol is intended to keep kids safe.
- SD 62 is at the beginning of this process. All partners will be invited in at some stage.
- Lice some schools have parents volunteering. VIHA is not dealing with it because it is not considered a health issue.
- Spoke to Principals yesterday about lice checks. It was more controversial than he thought. Many principals would like help with this problem.
- Jim would like to put 5 or 6 principals together with 5 or 6 parents chosen by SPEAC to develop a protocol for consistency in dealing with lice/checks in SD 62 schools.

Added Lice check working group to new business

## **Trustee - Margot Swinburnson**

- Trustees doing a retreat and looking at changing our district goals as a board.
- SD 62 sent delegates to address the Provincial Standing Committee of Finance. Wendy Hobbs, Mayor Saunders of Colwood, Councilor from Metchosin, Superintendent, and Secretary/Treasurer attended and spoke to our great need for new high schools.
- Margot will be attending a provincial council meeting of trustee. The minister will be meeting with them to discuss the 21<sup>st</sup> century learner. Feels it will be interesting and that there will be push back if it is not found appropriate.
- Matrix report is being revamped. SD use those numbers often.
- We will have student numbers at the next board meeting. Colwood spoke about the need to stop putting the arts last in education and asked her to take this to the boards planning sessions

## STA - Paul Waterlander

- Busy beginning for the year, BCeSIS is still not functioning completely correctly. Time to lobby the ministry to allow at the least third party programs to be added on, that are not allowed at this time. Ask why we are trapped in a system that is not working
- 21<sup>st</sup> century learning cryptic messages from the ministry and government. We are still waiting for announcements and yet no one in this room knows what is going to happen from this announcement.
- BCTF still having issues and waiting for the ministry to meet

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to discuss FSA testing		
A bargaining year is approaching. Working and learning		
conditions are tied together, Class size and composition are		
directly related to achievement		
CUPE – Cameron Gordon-Findlay will talk to facilities about		
the light that is not working in this library ©		
President asked Cameron to inquire about bear-proof or better      purpose containing for solve with bears.		
garbage containers for schools with bears.  • Millstream asked how to find out where we are on the list for		
work in our school yard.		
How would a school find out where they are on the seismic		
upgrade list? Superintendent stated that there is a report every		
year on capital expenditures for our district and their position		
on the list.		
Motion - to permanently moving the delegates' reports to before the		
business arising. (Willway/Journey)		
(Willway/Journey)		Secretary/
	Carried	President
5. Business Arising/Old Business		
a. BCCPAC package – membership		
Is in the mail		
b. Meeting Locations and dates for this school year		
December 8 - SBO     Language 10 William Flore		Crystal View/
January 19 - Willway Elem      Fab 16 Second as will ask about besting/will let us know by arrail.		Saseenos
• Feb 16 - Saseenos will ask about hosting/will let us know by email		Sascenos
March 16 - Poirier Ecole     April 20 Harry Valley Flore		
April 20 - Happy Valley Elem      April 20 - Grantel View will lead into heating (will get heal to use		
• June 15 - Crystal View will look into hosting /will get back to us		Secretary
<ul> <li>To be posted to the SPEAC Website</li> <li>vI Parents' Conference – parents wanted</li> </ul>		,
Send communication to VCPAC to introduce these parents as willing to		
help with the Vancouver Island Parent Conference in Feb 2011		
Neil Poirier/Journey		Secretary
Carrol Pedersen /Saseenos		
Rossana Pallot/ EMCS		
d. C&B Review committee		
President feels we should occasionally review our Constitution and		
By-laws, she is looking for volunteers. EMCS suggested that parents		President
read the current version and send suggested changes to presidents		1 Testuent
email address. The president will report back if she has any		

suggestions come forward.	
e. Fruit and Veggie program updates - Secretary/Members	
Wondering if PACs have had photo ops with their MLAs to try to	Members
positively support this program/not yet	
f. S.P.C. District meeting – President	
Has met with the assistant superintendents and the district want to	
move forward on this training night. Looking for parents to work	
with them to make it happen.	
Dunsmuir and Dunsmuir are willing to work on this with them	
Should arts be discussed at the SPC meeting?	Dunsmuir
Intros and expectations for all members.	
g. Garbage cans at schools – Bear issues – President/CUPE	
h. Invite to Kathleen King –Hunt – President	
Not yet invited. Secretary to write letter for President	Secretary
i. Superintendent evaluation and survey – President reported	
j. District webpage changes requested – Secretary reported	
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7. Correspondence –	
BCCPAC – Our Voice/Conference EGM Nov 12-14	
Dunsmuir would like to attend the EGM and is asking for hotel to be	
paid by SPEAC.	
SPEAC Memberships 25% have been received this evening	
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8. Treasurer's Report - Terry	
• Gaming balance: \$563.19	
• General Account: \$3,888.57	
Still awaiting funds from SD to total about \$8200	
<ul> <li>Suggesting that our next meeting be mostly about budget.</li> </ul>	Treasurer
<ul> <li>He will have a presentation for us to have a more predicated</li> </ul>	
discussion on the budget.	
9. President's Report - Brenda	
<ul> <li>Standing Education committee met this week a few new policies are being looked into.</li> </ul>	
New legislation around video surveillance. The main reason for	
this is for property protection. Existing camera do not need	
approval, new ones need SPC approval.	
• Changes with Child abuse policy #C410	
Extra curricular field trips policy needs updating.	
<ul> <li>The review process is just starting.</li> </ul>	
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10. Executive Reports	
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11. New Business	
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12. Meeting adjourned at 9:36pm (EMCS/Willway)	Carried	
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Ruth King Elementary School November 17 – 7pm		
Next meeting will be held at:		
participate.		
Take back to your PAC and let us know if anyone is interested to		Members
Colwood opposed		
(Willway/Millstream)		
protocol.	Carried	
Motion that SPEAC participate in this group to form the Lice check		Secretary
<b>e.</b> Lice committee with Principals –		
<b>d.</b> Parent Involvement Envisioning moved to December		Secretary
wireless along with alternatives.		
sides. Invite IT persons from District to tell us the positives to		Secretary
c. Wi-Fi in Schools- Stephanie Bring back to the January meeting and invite people from both		Secretary
<b>b.</b> Budget Discussion- Terry/Brenda – moved to November		Treasurer/ President/
history of not participating		Tr. /
Terry had done some contacting. Targeting the schools that have a		
DPAC		
<b>a.</b> SPEAC Reps to reach out to schools that are not participating in		