

The Confederation of Parents' Advisory Councils of Saanich

# **Meeting Minutes**

October 14, 2021, 7 – 9 pm

### New Action Items

- Strategic Plan survey
- Proposed SOGI policies (link and link) please provide comments to copacssd63@gmail.com by November 10
- COPACS to seek PAC contributions for Parent Education Sessions hosted by Keating (more details in separate emails)

## Notes from Meeting and Links to Documents

- 1. Introduction and territorial acknowledgement
- 2. Approval of agenda
- 3. Approval of last meeting's minutes (June 2021)
- 4. Update from our education partners District, Trustees, Teachers
  - a. Saanich School District Strategic Plan (Jason Reid)
    - i. <u>See powerpoint deck</u>
  - b. Trustee Sheila Stelk
    - i. Working on Strategic Plan
    - ii. Changes in policy SOGI (Sexual Orientation Gender Identity)
    - iii. Literacy in early years
  - c. Q&A: Question about food security. R: Suggest parents submitting this
- 5. Other executive updates
  - a) President
    - a. See <u>President's Report</u>
  - b) Vice Presidents no report
  - c) Treasurer
    - a. Year-end financial statement June 30 <u>link</u>
      - i. Received \$2500 (receivable after year end)
      - ii. Gaming expenses
      - iii. BCPAC expense
      - iv. Cash: \$11,000
    - b. Current year to date link
      - i. School Board grant \$2500
      - ii. ~\$14,000 balance
  - d) Board Committee Rep
    - a. Motion to appoint Ashley Sonosky approved
    - b. Update from committee meeting (link)
      - i. Physical education has expanded to health and physical
      - ii. Equity moving toward Indigenous education plan

- 6. Old business
  - a. Update on our Constitution Committee
    - i. Terms of Reference for Constitution and Bylaws
    - ii. Drafting
    - iii. Tracking Table
    - iv. Procuring legal review of documents
    - v. Regular updates, advice
  - b. Motion to approve Terms of Reference (noted above) carried
  - c. Verification of COPACS representatives 2021-22
    - i. We have representation from nearly all schools haven't heard back from Sidney Elementary and Parkland Secondary PACs

#### 7. New business

- a. Keating PAC hosted proposed Parent Education Series:
  - i. Alison Rees
  - ii. November to April (4 sessions)
  - iii. Preliminary topics, subject to finalization
    - 1. Who are you parenting?
    - 2. Side-stepping the power struggle
    - 3. Communications
    - 4. Boundaries, resilience
  - iv. Proposed funding from COPACS for up to \$1500
    - 1. Open up series to all parents in the District
    - 2. Discussion: COPACS to seek co-funding from PACs for half the cost, by separate email
    - 3. Motion approved: Provide up to \$1500 toward series, contingent upon seeking co-funding from other PACS, with a target of \$750 from COPACS.
  - v. Discussion on the potential for COPACS to support a proposal for a vaccine mandate for Saanich School District staff
    - 1. Monique attended a meeting last week hosted by the Province. Confirmed no sector other than health with mandate.
    - 2. See the DPAC Q&A video <u>here</u>.
    - 3. COPACS to inquire on vaccine status of staff and students
  - vi. Safe arrival program alternatives to current phone number?
    - 1. Could we have a better IT system?
    - 2. COPACS to email IT at the School District

#### 8. Adjournment

#### <u>Attendance</u>

- Nidhi Vyas
- Eva Castelsky (LEPAC)
- Phil Molloy
- Jennifer Furtado (Claremont)
- Bonnie Doyle (Stelly's COPACS Rep)
- Andrew Pape-Salmon (COPACS Secretary, Cordova Bay PAC)

- Kim Woodcock (COPACS VP)
- Ashley Sonosky
- Monique- COPACS President
- Craig Morton,
- Sheila Stelck
- Julia Roemer
- Tara
- Ceilidh Keating
- Sarah Lefebvre
- Wendy Bird
- Jason Reid
- Liz Keating
- Jude Coates
- Tara Keeping

Minutes prepared by Andrew Pape-Salmon, Recording Secretary