

# **Draft Agenda – DSS PAC Meeting September 2011**

- 7:00      **Welcome & Introductions**
- 7:10      **Approval of the Agenda**
- 7:15      **Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes**
- 7:15      **Burning Issues – teacher strike**
- 7:20      **PAC Reports as required**
- Chair – school painted, donations
  - Treasurer
  - DPAC
  - Communications – new website
  - Emergency Preparedness – mural on container
  - Dry Grad
  - SPC – teacher appreciation
  - Election for Secretary position
- 7:50      **Vice Chair – Digital Sign Quotes – Q & A**
- 8:10      **Nutrition Break**
- 8:15      **Principal’s Report – Q & A**
- 8:20      **New Business – turf field**
- 8:30      **School Tour**
- 9:00      **Adjournment**

**Next Month’s Meeting:** October 19<sup>th</sup>, 2011      **Topic:** tba

# DSSPAC

## General Meeting

September 21, 2011

Called to order at 7:00

Motion to approve agenda. Seconded.

There are no previous minutes as the last meeting was a social.

Burning Issues:

Teacher's strike – Early days yet and there is little disturbances around the school. Meet the teacher night is cancelled. There will be no formal reporting due to job action. All communication with teachers is to be one on one. Teachers will respond to inquiries. Stage two has no timeline, it depends on negotiations. The feeling around the school is positive at this point.

Reports:

Chair- school was painted this summer and repairs made to Genesis Theatre Tower. The Pacer Pride campaign is ongoing. The PAC is looking to have a digital sign put in place of the current board that is damaged. See attached estimates. There is a motion to seek further information for quotes 1 and 3. Seconded.

Treasurer – see attached.

DPAC – see attached.

Communications – school has launched a new website. PAC has its own website. Follow the links through the old school website.

Emergency Prep. – Rep is absent.

Dry Grad – There is a grade 12 parent information night on October 6.

SPC – School Planning Council elections are in October. Teacher appreciation day is looking for volunteers. It will take place in the New Year.

There has been a new secretary elected. Her name is Philippa Jarecki.

Principal's Report – Counselors are now placed with students alphabetically. School is made up of 1371 students, 82 teachers and 43 support staff this year. Bill 33 requires consultation with the SPC regarding class sizes. There are 43 classes that contain more than 30 students but none are above 32. There are 146 classes with more than 3 IEP students. There are approximately 360 classes total.

New Business – Turf Field – School district, municipality and DSS are in discussions to put a turf field into the centre of the track oval.

Tour is cancelled due to time constraints. We hope to reschedule the School Tour to the October 19<sup>th</sup> meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 9:00

## **DPAC Report** **September 2011**

- Presentation by Dianne Turner

District vision to action – “Our Bold Vision” has been released. There is a contest open to the students to tell how the vision is coming alive for them. Great prizes – MacBook Pro, I-Pad and for grade 12 students free tuition to Kwantlen Polytechnic University. Contest opens September 30<sup>th</sup> and friends and family can vote for your entry. There is more information on the Delta School District website under the “About” tab, follow the link for Delta School District Vision or follow this link <http://web.deltasd.bc.ca/node/1474>

- Presentation by Paul Steer, President of the Delta Teachers

Association and Member at Large of the BCTF Executive Committee  
Paul answered some questions about the Teacher Job Action and will answer any questions parents may have if they want to contact him. Job Action is at a Phase 1 stage. He is advising parents that if they have concerns about their child, to call the school and leave a message with a contact number for the teacher to call you back.

More information is available at

<http://dpac.deltasd.bc.ca/resources/2011-bctf-job-action>

- Upcoming election – school board candidates will be having a “get to know your candidates” night November 7 at Genesis Theatre and Nov. 14 at Seaquam Secondary. Every PAC is invited to ask a question.
- DPAC has money to spend this year so there will be more workshops and speakers offered to parents in the district. Elementary School parents attend well but it is more challenging to get secondary school parents involved.