

**West Vancouver DPAC General Meeting
Inglewood Learning Centre
Wednesday, December 6, 2017**

School Attendance:

All West Vancouver parents and guardians are invited to General DPAC meetings. Please try to send at least one representative to meetings.

Representatives present from the following schools:

Rockridge	Cedardale	Bowen Island
WVSS	Pauline Johnson	Cypress Park
Sentinel	Ridgeview	Caulfeild
Irwin Park	Lions Bay	Gleneagles
Chartwell		

Regrets: Eagle Harbour Chair
Cedardale Chair
West Bay DPAC Rep

Absent: Eagle Harbour
Hollyburn
West Bay
Westcot

Welcome and Call to Order: 9:17am

Adoption of Agenda and Minutes: Alys Schantz & Lesley Miller, Approved

Presentation – Rotary Club

Presenters: Ken Wilson and Christopher Loat

Youth Programs

- EarlyAct – ages 5-13
- Interact – ages 12-18 (Rockridge)
- Rotaract – ages 18-30
- Youth Exchange – exchange for students aged 15-19, available in more than 100 countries
- STEP – Short Term Youth Exchange, family to family exchange, for students aged 15-19
- Rotary Youth Leadership Awards – intensive leadership experience organized by Rotary districts where you develop your skills as a leader while having fun and making connections, over a long weekend
- Rotary Adventure Programs
 - Adventures in Citizenship – ages 16-19 chosen from across Canada to spend 4 days in Ottawa

- Adventures in Film – Powell River
- Adventures in Forestry – Prince George
- Adventures in Health Care – UNBC
- Adventures in Technology – University of Saskatchewan
- Adventures in Tourism – Kelowna

Partnerships in the Community

- West Vancouver Police Department – Annual Pulling Together Canoe Journey
- West Vancouver Youth Services – Summer Work Experience and Adventure Program and Ambleside Youth Centre
- West Vancouver Memorial Library – Summer Reading Program
- West Vancouver Schools – Interact, Bursaries (through Rockridge), Ethics and Values Program
- West Vancouver Chamber of Commerce – Membership and sponsor of their New Business Award
- West Vancouver Seniors Activity Centre – Christmas lunch
- Royal Canadian Marine Search and Rescue Station I – Fundraising
- North Shore Rescue – Rotary Ride for Rescue supports North Shore Rescue in keeping our playgrounds safe
- West Vancouver Community Foundation – Vital Signs
- Operation Red Nose – Drivers, Escort Drivers and Navigators, donations made go towards Youth (ie, Bursaries)

Beyond Our Community

- Polio Plus – eradication of polio worldwide, support from Gates Foundation, 3 countries focused on still
- Rotary Peace Fellowship – scholarships for Master and Diplomas in peace and conflict resolution
- ShelterBox – disaster relief – no family without shelter
- Rotary World Help – Coquitlam, take used medical equipment and computers and ship them all over the world
- Rotary Foundation – provides matching grants for Rotary Club projects, both local and International, celebrating 100 years, one of top charities in the world ranked by Charity Navigator
- Canadian Government is contributing CDN\$1.2 million per year to Canadian Rotary projects which will be match by the Rotary Foundation

Volunteering

- Need volunteers for North Shore Rescue – Rotary Ride for Rescue
- Second Saturday in June
- Partnership with PACs, help PACs and vice versa
- Contact: Natalie
- For more information, please email dpac@wvschools.ca

President's Report – Danielle Katerberg

PAC Web Training

Thank you to all who attended the Web training session on November 22nd. A soft copy of the WordPress manual for PACs was emailed to attendees, and is on our slack workspace under #resources. Thank you to Sonya Adloff for facilitating the training session, and for working on making adjustments to the websites based on the discussion and feedback at the session.

Conferences

Recently I had the pleasure of attending two conferences: The BC School Superintendents Association Fall Conference, and the BC Confederation of Parent Advisory Council's DPAC Summit.

Some key takeaways:

BC School Superintendents Association Fall Conference

- Videos of some presentation available at: <https://bcssa.org/bcssa-fall-conference-2017/>
- We have a lot to be proud of in our BC Public Education system. Pasi Sahlberg, Finnish educator, author and scholar, says "We need more Canada"
- We need to rethink careers: 65% of kids in schools today will work in occupations that do not yet exist. (Dr. Kris Magnussen, SFU)
- George Couros, Author of The Innovator's Mindset, says "To innovate, disrupt your routine" and how teaching needs to evolve with the changing world
- The new K-12 Curriculum is leading the way in meeting the rapidly changing needs of students; Post secondary needs more time, and is thankful for the delay of implementing the 10-12 curriculum as they work out how it will align with their admissions process.

BCCPAC DPAC Summit

- Again, a lot to be proud of in BC Public Education
- Deputy Minister of Education Scott MacDonald- shared a lot of interesting data highlighting the successes and challenges in BC Education (Slides are posted at <http://bccpac.bc.ca/wp-content/uploads/2017/12/DM-Scott-MacDonald-November-24-2017-BCCPAC.pdf>)
- BC Training and Education Savings Grant: \$1200 RESP for kids born in 2006 and later; deadline for 07, 08, 09 birth years is Aug 14, 2018 (<https://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/education-training/k-12/support/bc-training-and-education-savings-grant>)
- BC Achievement Scholarships of \$1250 are awarded to the top 8000 students in the province (based on 2004 Grad requirements) (students do not need to apply). Make sure the school has your up-to-date mailing address—too many scholarships go unclaimed due to mail being returned.
- Information about the SOGI Curriculum (Sexual Orientation and Gender Identity) can be found online at SOGIeducation.org

Upcoming Events:

Next DPAC Meeting: January 10, 2018:

We will get an update from Nina Leemhuis, West Vancouver's Chief Administrative Officer, on a range of community issues— particularly ones that may be of interest to families and children. It is also a chance for conversations on a range of topics of interest to those in attendance from arts and culture, to youth programs and opportunities to traffic and future development.

Treasurer's Report – Nina Cheema

General Chequing Account

No deposits, expenses of \$183.27 for School Board luncheon thank you and DPAC/Slack contest gift card. Current balance is \$16,510.99.

Gaming Account

No deposits, expenses of \$147.63 for BCCPAC membership (\$75) and October welcome coffee and general meeting (\$72.63). Current balance is \$2,463.40.

Committee Reports

Parent Education – Danielle Katerberg

For the 2017-2018 school year, the DPAC will be offering each PAC a one time grant of \$250 to be used towards hosting a parent education event. In order to receive these funds, please submit a receipt to us by the end of May 2018.

Finance and Facilities – Danielle Katerberg

Committee did not meet in November. The next meeting will be mid December.

Traffic and Safety – Summary

Student Video Contest Timeline:

Mid-Feb – contest launch

Med-April – Judging

Other:

School maps being finalized.

Kiss and go signage to be put up at PJ to discourage parking in pick/drop zones.

Bylaw enforcement has been out at schools 53 times issuing 11 tickets for offenses.

Construction project updates:

Suggestions for crosswalk flags at

Roundabout at Gleneagles Elementary (*noted that it may be better to have rapid flashers*. In discussion)

Crosswalk on Burley at Cedardale Elementary

Marine Drive at Cranley (near Eagle Harbour Montessori)

Considering raised crosswalks at Cedardale-Inglewood crosswalk, rather than time of day parking restrictions.

Comprehensive Health – Kelly Richter

Parent feedback requested regarding sleep

Discussion regarding technology and sleep patterns, ethics and values
Suggestion to open parent discussion on Slack regarding technology and sleep, Kelly will provide her email in Slack to be forwarded on to parents, DPAC email also.
Suggestion to have Jesse Miller to have parent centered talk

Choice Consultative – Tanya Mah

The committee met on November 28th, 2017. A total of five proposals were presented. After discussion, all were approved to move on to the next phase with the District Leadership Team. From there, proposals will be submitted to the Board for approval on December 19th.

Technology and Digital Learning Working Group – Tanya Mah

Committee will meet in mid-January 2018.

Calendar Committee – Tanya Mah and Danielle Katerberg

Committee will be meeting in late January 2018.

Human Resources – Andy Franks

Teachers On Call needed.

Two classes exceeding size limits, in French Immersion classes.

AP Calculus – no longer exceeding size limits, after exam.

Board of Trustees Report – Carolyn Broady

December Celebrations

District Leadership Team and Board members to be attending celebrations in December.

Cannabis legislation

Trustees have been very involved regarding impact on youth, will be doing education in schools, ongoing and topical conversation.

SOGI

Cultureguard, pushback in Valley. West Vancouver Schools follows curriculum by Ministry of Education, non-partisan, supports healthy learning environment. Suggest Todd Lund or Maureen Lee to present to school PAC meeting

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year

Superintendent's Report – Chris Kennedy

Specialty Programs

- Broadened from sports academies: environmental sciences, animation
- Continual trend for high school students going into passion areas

Administration Moves

- Why are moves made the way they are:
 - Administrative growth,

- Specific skill sets of some administrators, ie, IB, single track French Immersion
- Openings at Irwin Park and West Van Secondary for vice principals

Admissions 2019 and beyond - UBC

- Current Practice of Assessment: North American Secondary School Applicants
- Variation in Competitive Admissions Evaluation
- Holistic Admissions: Overview
- First-Year Performance at UBC (V&O) by number of Grade 11 and 12 Courses in Overall & Core Averages, BC12, 2016
- What Problems are we trying to solve? What benefits are we trying to realize?
- Key messages to students

- Information discussed is part of a presentation by UBC Director of Student Recruitment and Undergraduate Admissions Andrew Arida on admissions. Available online:
 - <https://mediasitemob1.mediagroup.ubc.ca/Mediasite/Play/5c5e763f41494ed6a1c583e25b5129681d>
- School counsellors, outside providers (ie, Options Solutions), university admissions office will have this information and can answer your questions.

Presentation: Physical Literacy

Presenters: Diane Nelson, Amber Pascual, Erin Crawford

Make Movement Matter

Physical Literacy Project, Kindergarten – Grade 3

Why Physical Literacy?

Today's children may be the first generation to have a shorter life span than their parents. We want to change that.

- Get students to be confident, competent movers so they will be motivated to stay active for life.

Born to Move

- Better brain, muscle, bone, heart, body, social life, low burden to society
- Coordination, agility, stamina, strength

Impact on Human Development

- Get started on a base of skills, will soon translate to a host of sports/activities, and translate eventually to professions/jobs
- It doesn't just end with the sport
- Movement anywhere anytime
- Weaving movement into the day allows students to manage their energy levels.
- Cognition (brain development) and emotions improve with movement.
- Social emotional wellbeing

We want to continue to build on current good practice but now include movement.

Equal importance: literacy, numeracy, physical literacy

Alignment with the new BC Ministry of Education Physical and Health Education curriculum

- Physical literacy assessment examples (report card)
- Rethinking the environment, less clutter, toned-down classroom, classroom design is intentional

How are We Going to Get There?

- Erin and Amber
- Teacher-Mentor support in classrooms
- September-June
- Wednesdays and Thursdays during school day hours
- Kindergarten-Grade 3

Physical Literacy Assessment for Youth

- www.play.physicalliteracy.ca and www.canadiansportforlife.ca
- Pre-assessment for all students K-3 Canadian Sport for Life: run there and back, hop, overhand throw, kick ball, balance walk (toe to heel) backward
- Assessed 1700 children
- Developed at University of Manitoba and deployed by Canadian Sport for Life
- Tool has a very good to excellent reliability, strong validity, easy to interpret and very sensitive to change
- Agility, balance and coordination
- End with a post-assessment in spring

Teacher Support

- Specific movement prep to build durability and strength
- NCCP? Certified course
- Access to new and improved make Movement matter website
- Weekly WOW lesson plans
- Provide electronically to each teacher in YouTube clip format
- Delivered on Thursdays to allow teachers to plan and prepare the following week
- www.makemovementmatter.org
- Pair skills development with appropriate season and sports (ie, running skills with track and field or cross country season)
- 13 schools over 6-8 weeks.

Workshops

- Support for all adults who work with our students, teachers and education assistants
- Parent workshop to be offered

Next Steps

- Limited in scope, hope to expand to higher grades
- Encourage or challenge the non-dominant side
- Have the child wall-sit while brushing teeth or when reading book
- Tape a square shape or X on the floor at home