

DPAC Meeting – April 12th, 2021

Meeting called at 7:03pm

Acknowledgment by the chair that the meeting takes place within the traditional, ancestral, unceded Sto:lo territory. There are four first nations band within the boundaries of the Mission School District: the Leq'a:mel, Matheqwi, Qwo:ltl'el and Sq'ewlets peoples.

Adoption of March meetings – Motion by Kerridan, second by Jacquelyn

Adoption of agenda April – Motion by Kerridan, second by Jacquelyn

Presentation from FVDCD

Karen – (ED – executive Director), Kim, Erwin (OT – Occupational Therapist) and Robyn (PT – Physical Therapist)

Who are we and how can we help in the community? FVDCD founded in 1982, fully accredited and registered charity, governed by BOD. Community members started the organization out of a church and advocated as there was no one to provide supports for children. Multi disciplinarian organization 150 staff members, Chilliwack, Abbotsford, Mission, Hope and the Cascades. Pride in wrap around services. In addition to a wide variety of support, they also have relationships with many community partners and school district.

Services in Mission: bulk of service are focused more on children prior to school, early intervention, set up for success prior to school. Early intervention of many services to support children in community, SLP, family support key workers, early intervention IDP, SCD. Covid has produced many challenges in providing service but they continue to work.

Referrals can come from anywhere and it is a free service. You don't have to have a diagnosis. Some children are just showing delays, they want to promote that if you have concerns about your child's development they embrace all referrals. If they can't help, they will connect you with more appropriate resources.

DPAC can help by if there are younger siblings or friends, family, please let people know they exist. It is a very strong robust service. They don't like to have wait lists. They focus on what support is most needed at the time if they have multi issues/concerns. They want to meet the family where they are at. When they turn 5, they aid in kindergarten transition. Liaison with school districts that may have accessibility issues.

School age role: Erwin and Robyn, provide services on a p/t basis. They work together to identify the biggest needs. Accessibility issues are important. Seating position/mobility. Equipment issues. Finding funding for equipment. Playground safety. Involved in homes as well. Priority is a consultative role with the school team. Support school team, EA's, normally without covid, there is a pool program. Inclusion is their mandate. Erwin has created a binder for OT, school teams will have access when it is complete. Key worker positions, work with children who either have diagnosis of FASD or DD, referral process. Give support in information, advocacy info, access to community resources, funding, suggestions about what diagnosis look like in school setting. Clinical Counsellors, newer program, referrals come from other staff at FVDCD. Counselling for adults who are connected to centre, short term 12 sessions focusing o their

needs so that they can focus on child needs. Family enrichment program, CYSN referrals, BC and BI's, work on specific goals to help children. 6 month program. Consultants also have experience with self regulation. CALM curriculum and teaching strategy of early identification. Funded by provincial government.

Facebook, Youtube videos how to's, social media, ask FV CDC campaign, submit questions through website are all ways in which to access FV CDC. Here are the important links:

Website: www.fvcdc.org

Facebook: www.facebook.com/FraserValleyChildDevelopmentCentre/

Twitter: <https://twitter.com/fraservalleycdc>

Instagram: www.instagram.com/fvchilddevelopmentcentre

YouTube: www.youtube.com/channel/UCtcP9LW5rLE4uK_mU4vXGqw

Janice Walsh – mentioned that she has seen CALM in action and she has seen how children can regulate their emotion.

Correspondence:

- BCCPAC, renewal for website \$144 per year,
- Email from parent with concerns about Supervision at schools
- Emails from a PAC the Chair is working with

Superintendents report, Angus Wilson:

MASKS, wording that says that masks should and required if people are inside unless seating or drinking. Grade 4-12, K-3 encouraged. Unless you can't wear a mask, they do not require a note, 90% participation. Many emails on both sides of the spectrum. Another note to be sent as really the expectation is for you to wear masks.

Covid variant – no change in conduct, all same protocols in place. 3 notifications last week and expect many more. This Thursday will be an update about vaccinations in schools.

Safer schools – student working groups, 3 schools already working with MCFD, RCMP

Staffing for the schools is being worked on, projected growth, Stave Falls increased, portable may be added to some schools, boundaries around Hatzic, Dewdney, dress code is being sent out to DPAC and other groups for consideration, all flags are half mast for Prince Philip until end of Saturday.

Question from Jacquelyn: heard that some teachers have said they will send kids home if they don't wear a mask, no suspensions for not wearing a mask. School staff will check with home situation.

Question from Cheryl: what kind of training do lunch hour supervisors have? No professional training? Shelley Carter there is not much training. Where is the accountability? Who is responsible? Orientation

at school district office but each school is responsible, the Principal. If there are issues, go to the Principal first. No first aid training.

Parent forum – is there going to be another one or more communication? Angus would like to hear the students talking. Then they will report out to the community. Hatzic is planning a student forum. Priority was to get it out to the schools and have students involved.

Chairs report –Cheryl Blondin

BCCPAC AGM one member to vote, beginning of May, parent education conference, may 28th/29th virtual, before May 3rd, \$35.00, Kerridan, Alicia, Lexie. We will cover the cost for anyone to attend. Cheryl to send out an email to register before May 3rd with more instructions and then get reimbursed. Ted Leavitt – excellent – 65 signed up and 35 showed up, invoice received, cheque issued and thank you card. Working with one PAC for governance.

Treasurer Report –Jacquelyn Wickham

Gaming account balance - \$ 2310.31,

Cheques outstanding - Ted Leavitt 1260.00, Monica Thimer \$100

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Consider parent education charge if we want to continue with prizes. Dionne suggested that parent education BCCPAC Conference can come out of gaming not checking.

There were updates to gaming grant. BCCPAC link to treasury 101, Cheryl to send email that membership can be taken out of the gaming.

COTW Report – April 6th – Cheryl Blondin

CUPE presentation, before/afterschool care, EA staffed, seamless days, Cheryl can send presentation if they are interested. Teacher Inquiry project from MTU. Presentation on digital resources | schools, French and indigenous language. Can access through learn 75. Dionne expressed it's a great tool. Different schools are at different places with their schools.

Jacquelyn: is there any interest in discussing the childcare? Presentation at COTW was questioned by Dionne and Jacquelyn, caution that what works in one location does not work in others. MCFD childcare is being switched to ministry of education. Disconnect with staffing levels at school and daycare. Is this going to be a detriment to the quality of care?

Committee reports:

Governance – draft of a 1 pager, try and get it out to all PACs by end of this year about constitution and bylaws.

Safety – standard list of emergency in school must have and a should have list, Cheryl to send out email to see if everyone can add, also looking at school drop off/pick up

Inclusion – working on TOR to speak to inclusion in schools

Parent education – Budget update \$2500 from 2020 Gaming Grant has been spent by this committee for the following presentors: Ted Leavitt, Mariana Brussoni, Advocon admission

Parent survey – Ready to be sent out. Results at next meeting

New business – secretary has stepped down. Please send nominations or interest to Chair. Will add to next meeting agenda as well. Vice Chair will continue to help with minute taking for the time being.

Dionne motioned for adjournment and Jacquelyn seconded.

Attendees:

Alicia Hurd (Windebank, HPMS), Andrea Patton DPAC-member at Irg. (Cherry Hill) Angela Schettle (ESR) Angela Manno (Hillside) Angus Wilson (Superintendent SD75) Cheryl Blondin (Chair) Christina Thiele (Central) Derrick Ross (Summit) Dionne Hairsine (MSS) Erin Kleinsteuber (Albert McMahon) Erwin Schellingerhout (guest) Jacquelyn Wickham (West Heights) Janice Walsh - Fraser Health Jill vanderhoek (Hillside) Karen (Guest) Kerridan Dougan (HMS) Kim Kendall (Guest) Kristi Strell (Stave Falls) Lauren Davie ECM Lexie Vande Ligt (Dewdney) Raegan Heidt (Christine Morrison) Robyn Holmgren (Guest) Shelley Carter (Trustee) Sheneal Anthony –(ESR/HPMS) Steph Wallbank –(Albert McMahon) Nicole Van Ek Veenra (Hillside) Veronica Ebbs-Canavan (ESR)

Communications 28 Day Summary

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