

RDPA Minutes - January 9th, 2018

1. Welcome and Introductions
2. Adoption of Agenda
 - First – Faye
 - Second – Dale
 - Approved
3. Guest Speaker –Helen Velaquez- Picaboo Yearbooks/ Vidigami Canada Corp
 - They currently work with 5 elementary schools in Richmond
 - Elementary schools is a new market, the high school have had something for a long time.
 - Different options, hard cover, soft cover and two different sizes.
 - You only pay for what you order
 - \$15.00 shipping fee to the school or if your order is more than 50 books there is no shipping fee
 - To design the book you can have multiple sign in accounts and they have access to either for the whole book or for just pages
 - It is in full colour book
 - The books starts at 20 pages and you can add pages for a small additional fee. It has to be an even number of pages.
 - It can be sold at any price point. You set the price
 - We would use the District disclosure form for privacy. If the parent does not concur then we would put their name in but have no picture.
 - There are lots of templates it is simply a drag and drop.
 - The school photo company can provide the pictures with the names
 - The turnaround on the website is 3 weeks, but sometime it is a soon as 5 days in BC. Please order before the first week of June.
 - If someone missed the order, they can order after but will have to pay for shipping.
 - Helen, from Picaboo books, will come out and train if interested.
 - Before it is printed there is a PDF that is sent out for you to review.
 - You can set up on-line order or a bulk purchase and then shipment to the school
 - Her contact information is Helen Velazquez hvelazquez@picabooyearbooks.com and phone number 604-506-7476
4. Adoption of Minutes:
 - First - Sowon
 - Second – Danny
 - Approved

5. What's been happening in the District

- Stakeholders meeting with the Trustees – What's working within our District and what is Not?
 - January 18th, 2018 meeting with the Executive and the Trustees
 - Agenda was created for this meeting.
 - Information from this meeting will be taken to the meeting with the MLAs on January 29th
 - The meeting is at the school board office at 6:30pm
- b. Secretary/Treasurer Update
 - HR and Sherry are working on it.
 - There are 3 people that were interviewed that RDPA got to sit in.
 - Interviews occurred in December
 - Hopefully a person will be picked either this week or next week.
- c. Public Consultation for Mission, Vision and Values (Policy 100)
 - The information is up on the school district website.
 - It is on the scrolling page.
 - Please have a read and provide feed back
 - <https://www.sd38.bc.ca/Pages/Policy-100-Feedback.aspx>

6. RDPA Business

- Movie Licensing Update
 - We are following up with ACF Jean François about how they are going to bill us. As some of the schools have been issued invoices and we have to confirm how each of the school will pay for the license.
 - Our understanding is they are going to continue with the renewal dates that each school has now.
- Treasurers Report
 - District Funding have not come in yet. Dionne will follow up.
 - Gaming fund we need to apply April to June
- Committee Updates
 - SOGI committee
 - Meeting will start again on January 22nd.
 - Reviewed other policies in the districts.
 - We have a draft at this point
 - Calendar Committee
 - Next meeting is at the end of the month
 - 2018 calendar is set will be looking at 2019
 - Education committee
 - January 29th is the next meeting
 - This meeting is set for the last Monday of the month
 - It is also open to the public



Richmond District Parents Association

Parents Helping Parents Helping Children

- The meetings are now at Steveston London (first half of the year they are at Brighthouse Elementary and second half at Steveston London High School)
 - Finance meeting
 - January 17th is the next meeting
 - if we don't find out about the Treasurer/Secretary we will ask at this meeting
 - Policy committee
 - Next meeting is on Monday, January 15th
 - This meeting is open to the public at 10:30-11:30am
 - After the Mission Vision and Values is passed then they will have an artwork contest for the students to tell us what does it mean to them.
7. PAC questions of the month
- For the Stakeholder meeting what Question that we can bring up what is working, positive and negative
 - Do we see a difference with increase number of teachers?
 - i. It is nicer that there is not as many students in the schools and students are not getting lost. Teacher can give the students more time/more help.
 - ii. There seems to be a lot more split classes
 - There is still a struggle with the EA numbers.
 - i. The part time REAP program graduation will be this week.
 - ii. This is the third class that has graduated and the district has hired most of them (a few are being hired in other districts).
 - iii. There are two more classes starting, a part time and a full time. The part time class starts in February it takes 1 year to complete. The full time class there is an information session on February 3rd at the board office.
 - iv. After three grad classes the district is still 40 EAs' short.
 - Emergency preparedness
 - Education needs to be a priority with the City councilors. The trustees need to make sure that we are first.
 - i. School Superintendent Conference, Canada is the top for a great education system, BC is a high province, and the Richmond is high as a city.
 - ii. Our students are also doing well, mentally and well in school. We need to work hard to protect it.
 - Curriculum will be implemented for September 2018 for Grade 10 and then Grand 11 and 12 the year after September 2019.

- i. Included will be collaboration time once a month students arrives 1 hour later, the Teachers meet to see what is working and coordinate with other departments within the school.
 - o. MLA meeting at the end of the month Emergency Preparedness and funding process model will be the two discussion topics.
 - i. Funding model the soonest that the government will look at making any changes is 2019.
- Confidentially, do schools post the minutes on the websites?
 - Some schools do post them on the SD website.
 - Some of the school's don't put the minutes on the website as it has names and funding information on it.
 - Minutes are circulated to the people that are at the meeting and then anyone else that it would be sent out to.
 - Other can get the minutes form a central location at the school

Next meeting guest speakers

- February – City Centre community Ctr
- March – Jel from Hub cycling, bike to school week

8. Meeting Adjourned

- First: Faye
- Second: Sowon
- Approved

Upcoming Events

January 10th, 2017 – Board Meeting at 7:00 pm

January 24th, 2018 – Board Meeting at 7:00 pm

February 6th, 2018 – RDPA meeting at 7:00 pm at the board office