

MINUTES
General Meeting April 20, 2011
Happy Valley Elementary

Chair: Brenda Cyr, SPEAC President
Minutes: Stephanie Longstaff, SPEAC Secretary

(moved/seconded)	Motions	Action
1. Meeting Called to order at 7:02 p.m. Let the record show that there is quorum present.		
2. Presentation: Grade 2 Choir entertained us with Beatles songs <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Linda Magiera – <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • principal of HV - Jeneese Place efforts by kids, raises \$2100. • Success with surveys done by the SPC of parents and older students. • Kathleen King-Hunt <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • District Principal of Aboriginal Education • Came from VI North, wide range of teaching experience • Here to help move the aboriginal education ahead with the help of the enhancement agreement • The agreement does many things for the aboriginal students in our schools, she works with the 4 goals of the agreement • She works with 3 Nations as well as the Maté population • We have a large resource of aboriginal material in our district resource centre. • We have many courses available at all of our secondary schools for aboriginal students • Our Graduation rate is in the top 5% for the province. We are increasing that grad rate annually. • Native languages are being taught at some of our elementary schools with learning exceeding expectations • Many people working on increasing the grad rates at all levels • If you have any more questions please email Kathleen at kkinghunt@sd62.bc.ca 		
3. Approval of the Agenda <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Additions: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Breakfast for Learning ○ Letter to Education Minister ○ Appreciative advocacy ○ Brochures <p style="text-align: right;">(Stubbs/Willway)</p>	Carried	

4. Approval of March Minutes <p style="text-align: right;">(Stubbs/Poirier)</p>	Carried	
5. Business Arising/Old Business <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) SD Policy on Volunteers – Criminal record checks <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The policy is still being worked on and the issue of who would need to get them done is still being discussed. • Have the conversation with your PAC about the parent’s views in your school about volunteers in the school needing a CRC and bring back the discussion to the June PAC meeting. <p>Motion that SPEAC invite an RCMP representative to give us written material on CRC for the May SPEAC meeting and to speak to CRC for June meeting <p style="text-align: right;">(Poirier/Dunsmuir)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> b) Rick Davis and other Supers in SD 62 Hoping to get them in, with the recent changes in the ministry they do not want to commit to anything until the new minister is settled and they are given direction c) Spring break for next year Not decided yet d) Lice group update – next meeting May 11, 3:30 SBO e) Academies in our District Asking PACs to discuss if they feel there should be one uniform ‘policy’ for all academies in the school district or if we should continue with each school doing their own thing -Possible topic for SPC meeting in the fall f) Letter to minister President has written a letter to welcome the new Minister of Education to his position and remind him of the need for two new secondary schools in our district. g) Brochures – Presidents & Roberts Rules of Order Drafts presented for discussion and input. Send comments and corrections to Kelly kelly@indygecko.com </p>	Carried	<p style="text-align: center;">Members</p> <p style="text-align: center;">President</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Members</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Members</p>

6. Delegate Reports: Superintendents – unable to attend		
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CUPE: Cameron Gordon-Findlay <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Signage at schools about animals on school ground, Langford has passed a bylaw about animals on school grounds that can be enforced by Langford bylaw enforcement officers. 		
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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sign at Belmont will be repaired • HV parking lot update <p>Trustee – Rob Gordy</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Budget for next year increased by \$44 per student with 9300 to 9400 students no cuts will be needed for next year • Looking to increase technology, with an audit coming up to assess where those funds would be best spent • Ahead of schedule on all modulars and additions • Record number of students registered for Kindergarten <p>STA – Paul Waterlander</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Happy about the court decision on class size and composition • Belmont is aging and needs replacement 		
<p>7. Correspondence – none in English</p>		
<p>8. Treasurer’s Report – Terry absent</p>		
<p>9. President’s Report - Brenda</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Education Standing Committee – Nature Kindergarten introduced with two pilot cohorts for 2012 and then 2013 school years, the Royal Roads area is being investigated because of the ecosystems there. There are three schools in that area. • Policies on personal care and personal restraint procedures • Draft Volunteer policy and regulations • BCCPAC Conference/AGM one request has come in, if any are still interested please contact Brenda <p>Motion that SPEAC pay for hotel and travel for Kelly Dvorak to attend the BCCPAC AGM/Conference</p> <p style="text-align: right;">(Stubbs/Millstream)</p> <p>Rational: she gets to attend for free, due to an award she won last year</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Neil will sit in on the DPAC chair meeting with the minister at the conference • EGM Thursday April 21, 7pm SBO <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Review and vote on BCPAC resolutions from SPEAC 	<p>Carried</p>	<p>Kelly</p>
<p>10. Executive Reports</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Karen – reminder next month is elections. Email speac@sd62.bc.ca if you are interested or want more information on holding an executive position 		
<p>11. New Business</p> <p>a. Emergency Preparedness –Municipal plans with and for schools and Annual Emergency pick up practice</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Looking for information or guide on what is being provided by schools and the District and what the procedures are. • David Cameron has a comprehensive plan. 		

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • District just sponsored a workshop on risk management in case of an earthquake. <p>Motion to ask the district to address the issue of emergency preparedness and the inconsistencies in the district. As well as arrange for an annual emergency pick up practice.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">(Dunsmuir/Happy Valley)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> b. Breakfast for Learning – hand outs and invites to all schools in our District to participate. Registration is on line and need to be completed before June 1, 2011 c. Appreciative Advocacy – Kelly - Spoke to the power of organized advocacy and the positive effects parents can have on their children’s education through organized and informed efforts. 	Carried	President/ Members
<p>Annual General Meeting - at the School board office May 18, 7pm Extraordinary meeting April 21, SBO</p>		
<p>12. Meeting adjourned at 9:32</p> <p style="text-align: right;">(John Stubbs/Happy Valley)</p>	Carried	