

## DPAC MONTHLY MEETING: 2 February 2017

Alexis Osmond called the meeting to order at 7:06PM.

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### In Attendance:

Alexis Osmond

Ian Busby

Pat Coppard

Katia Dilkina

Craig Hickie

Wendy Huibers

Erin Prescott

Staff: Ms. Brenna O'Connor, Mme Josee Paris

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1. Approval of the Agenda
2. No Minutes to Approve
3. Presentation: Active and Safe Routes Update – Lindsay Taylor ([Lindsay@hastebc.org](mailto:Lindsay@hastebc.org))
  - Results from Survey**
    - about 50% of families drive to school, while 28% walk, and 13% bike
    - even families who live very close to the school (less than half a km) still drive – 17% of the families in the immediate school neighbourhood drive, while 68% walk
  - Results from School-site walkabout**
    - main access point into school is shared by pedestrians/bikes/cars
    - limited bike parking, not covered, no scooter/skateboard parking
  - Next Steps**
    - neighbourhood walkabout, action planning, and implementation
4. Presentation: CISV Victoria Camp Info – Jessica Schafer
  - a summer camp opportunity for 11-year olds (grade 5)
  - 4-week program abroad
  - where: Mexico or Honduras
  - when: end of June through July, mid-July to mid-August
  - who: groups from 12 different countries come together (each group of five is one adult, two girls and two boys)
  - what: activities together promoting world citizenship and cross-cultural communication
  - how much: cost is \$3500 - \$4000 per child
  - applications due February 2017
  - more information at [www.cisvvictoria.ca](http://www.cisvvictoria.ca)
5. Bingo Night – Mercedes via Katia Dilkina
  - amount to be paid to Fujiya will be known by Feb. 16 -> report to Ian -> Ian will provide a cheque -> cheque needs to be at Fujiya before the sushi pick-up on Feb. 23
  - Mark Reuten will pick up the sushi at 5:15pm on Feb. 23; he will also pick up the Fujiya gift certificates
  - there could be Hot House pizza gift certificates too as prizes -> Wendy will follow up on that
  - Alexis will be getting 10 VIKES spirit bags also to be given as prizes
  - Brenna will talk to Terry about access to the gym for setup at 3:30pm on Feb. 23
  - VIP Table idea – sell raffle tickets at the event, either \$1/ticket or \$2/ticket or \$5/3 tickets

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6. 2017/2018 Budget Vote
  - Alexis called the vote, Wendy seconded, everyone in attendance accepted (7 present, 2 by proxy: Cindy Luchka and Jill Nichol)
7. Donation Request Letter
  - Katia volunteered to create and Wendy to distribute
  - Date to be finalized – sometime in April
8. Colibri Fundraiser Opportunity
  - snackbags for purchase with a 50% return to PAC
  - Alexis is going to launch after Bingo Night (Feb. 23)
9. Principal's Report – Ms. O'Connor and Mme Paris
  - the grade 5 student leadership group has been meeting and working on creating a list of school rules that they will make posters of and teach to the other kids; they will also be learning games to teach to the younger kids during recess
  - planning projects and initiatives centered around Earth Day
  - the buddy bench is coming soon, concrete foundation has been done
  - still in communication with SD61 (Director of Facilities ) regarding the status of the Garry Oak Meadow/Outdoor Classroom area and what it will take to have it open again
  - money has come in for additional staff – additional learning support and counselling; specifics still to be determined as class sizes and composition as well as extent of specialist help in the classroom is still being discussed at the provincial table
  - 56 students registered for French Kindergarten, 23 for English Kindergarten; all in-catchment or siblings (go-to numbers are 40 for French and 20 for English; unclear at this point whether all kids will be able to attend Doncaster)
  - water bottle filling station is coming soon -> should be available before Spring Break

Alexis Osmond adjourned the meeting at 8:22PM.