



#### What exactly is DPAC?

- DPAC stands for District Parent Advisory Council. We are the official parent voice for School District 73 (Kamloops/Thompson).
- Each PAC is encouraged to elect 2 DPAC reps to attend our monthly meetings.
- We elect an executive to conduct business between meetings, but our direction is determined by our members, just like at PACs.

#### What is the role of DPAC?

- Our mandate, according to the School Act, is to advise the Board of Education on any matter relating to education in the school district. We funnel parent input to decision-makers in our district.
- We facilitate communication – we send a lot of information out to the PACs on upcoming events and programs that might interest them.
- We provide training and education for parents, as well as opportunities for exchanging ideas. We host speakers and put on workshops and networking events.
- We function as a resource for individual parents and PACs as they do their work at the school level.

#### ***2025/26 Executive Committee***

**Mel D (Acting Chair/Vice Chair), Erin M(Acting Secretary), Erin M (Treasurer/Zoom Coordinator),**  
**Members at Large:** Elwira R, Jessica J, Jessica K,  
Nadine W, Manu S, Crystal P, Rachel A

### **DPAC General Meeting – Draft Agenda**

**May 28, 2026 6:30pm**

**Zoom log in: [www.zoom.us](http://www.zoom.us)**

**Meeting ID: 849 6862 0676**

**Passcode: 456446**

- 1. Welcome/Call to Order**
- 2. Land Acknowledgement.** *We would like to recognize and acknowledge the traditional, ancestral, and unceded territories of the Dâkelh Dené, Ktunaxa, Nlaka'pamux, Secwépemc, St'át'imc, Syilx, and Tšilhqot'in Nations, where we live, learn, collaborate and work together.*
- 3. Introduction of Guests**
  - a. Trustee Grieve – Board of Education.
  - b. Superintendent Mike St. John – SD 73.
- 4. Acceptance of the Agenda/Minutes of the Last Meeting.** **Additions to the Agenda:** Movie license update, Funding for parents to attend District Honours Banquet
- 5. Reports:**
  - a. Acting Chair's Report:
  - b. Treasurer's Report  
*See Addendum A*
  - c. Committee Reports
    - i. Bylaw and Constitution
    - ii. Committee Reports - Active Transportation/Safer Streets (Elwira)
    - iii. Committee Reports - Feeding Futures (Elwira)
    - iv. Committee Reports - Advocacy (Bonnie/Elwira)
    - v. Committee Reports - Rural Committee (Mel/Rachel)
- 6. Old Business**
  - a. Foodsafe – Please reach out to [sd73dpactreasurer@gmail.com](mailto:sd73dpactreasurer@gmail.com) if your PAC needs reimbursement for a 2025/26 Foodsafe tuition



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- b. Meeting Request with MLA re: update on DPACs work and challenges. Meeting is coming up in June and we are awaiting a date confirmation from MLA Milobar's office.
- c. Meeting Request with BC Conservative Party- importance of inclusive education in learning plans. This meeting is on hold due to Leadership Race/Cabinet Shuffle.
- d. Dallas PAC: Checking in regarding any further support required.
- e. Science Assistants – Any updates? (SKSS)
- f. Resource Room Placements – Any Updates (KSA)

## 7. New Business

- a. District Honours – Parent Tickets : Please reach out to DPAC if you need financial support to attend the District Honours Banquet (Tickets to watch the ceremony are \$25/each). The District has agreed to cover the cost of tickets for any family requesting coverage. We can connect you to your tickets. Reach out to [sd73dpac@gmail.com](mailto:sd73dpac@gmail.com). Congrats Grads!

## 8. Correspondance Received

- a. **KISSM**. KISSM is excited to announce their summer performance dates. Come out and support our SD73 students in their summer school productions! Their performances often sell out, so be sure to get your tickets early through the Kamloops Live Box Office. There is also still time to register for KISSM and some time to apply for scholarships and bursaries! Find out more through the KISSM website!



- b. **BC Office of the Human Rights Commissioner** is inviting interested parents to attend a free webinar on the importance of freedom of expression



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**Beyond the headlines**  
 Press freedom and democracy

Livestreaming via [bhumanrights.ca](http://bhumanrights.ca),  
 Tuesday, June 2, 2026 10-11:30 a.m. PDT

Join B.C. Human Rights Commissioner Kasari Govender with leading expert Irene Khan, UN Special Rapporteur on freedom of expression and opinion, for the fifth episode of the Beyond the Headlines series addressing press freedom and democracy.

Register to submit questions during the conversation and watch the livestream on our website at:  
[bhumanrights.ca/beyond-the-headlines](http://bhumanrights.ca/beyond-the-headlines)

**c. Skills Canada Competition**

**THE SKILLS CANADA NATIONAL COMPETITION (SCNC) 2026 LIVE STREAM RETURNS! BRINGING SCNC2026 TO YOUR CLASSROOM VIRTUALLY ON MAY 28 AND 29 FROM 9:30AM TO 4:30PM EDT**

We're excited to offer live-streamed content during the Skills Canada National Competition (SCNC) again this year! We will be LIVE from Toronto, Ontario at the only national, multi-trade and technology competition for students and apprentices in the country!

**Why should you tune in to SCNC2026 with your class?**

- To explore rewarding careers that your students might not know about.
- To hear from industry experts and what skill trades can offer.
- To inspire your students to be part of the next generation of SCNC competitors!

**What can you expect on the SCNC2026 live stream?**

- Dynamic event coverage with bilingual hosts.
- Live footage of the nation's best, competing in over 40 skills competitions representing six sectors: Construction, Employment, Information Technology, Manufacturing & Engineering, Services and Transportation.
- Interviews with industry experts, policymakers, Skills Canada Alumni and other stakeholders.

**How to watch:**  
 The SCNC2026 Live Stream will be hosted exclusively on the [SKILLS CANADA YOUTUBE CHANNEL!](#)

**REGISTER YOUR CLASS TODAY TO BE IN THE DRAW TO WIN SKILLS FOR SUCCESS ACTIVITY KITS FOR YOUR CLASS!**

**What's next?**  
 More information, including a full live-stream schedule will be available in the coming weeks. Stay tuned!

**REGISTER HERE!**

**9. Other Business:**

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As we wrap up another school year, we want to extend our sincere thanks to all parents who generously volunteered their time, energy, and care within our school communities this past year — through their school Parent Advisory Committees, fundraising committees, crossing guard and supervision programs, lunch assistance, field trip support, and through the District Parent Advisory Council, to name just a few.

We would also like to acknowledge our partners at the District and Board level for their continued commitment to a collaborative and productive relationship with parents, working to keep students at the centre of everything we do.

This year has brought a great deal of change around the table, particularly as we say goodbye to several longstanding members whose dedication, leadership, and advocacy have helped shape our DPAC community over many years. We are deeply grateful for the countless hours contributed in support of students, families, and public education across the district.

This evening marks our final formal DPAC General Meeting of the school year, although the Executive will continue to conduct business throughout the summer months.

Our first General Meeting of the 2026/27 school year will take place on September 15 at 6:30 pm via Zoom, with our AGM following in October. Several leadership positions will be open for election this year, including Chair, Treasurer, and Secretary. More information will be shared closer to September.

Until then, we wish you all a wonderful end to the school year. Enjoy the celebrations ahead — moving-up ceremonies, graduations, and commencement events — and take time over the summer to rest, recharge, and enjoy time with family and friends.

Thank you again for the time and care you give so generously to your school communities. We appreciate you and look forward to connecting again in the fall. As always, please feel free to reach out anytime via email or social media.

With gratitude,

DPAC Executive

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10. Adjournment



11. Addendum A: Treasurer's report

SD73 DPAC FINANCIAL REPORT - May 2026					
	Chequing Acct (5374) Details		Debit	Revenue	Balance
		<b>June 30 2025 Opening Balance</b>			
	July 4, 2025	Zoom Plan for DPAC/Reimburse Erin Mitchell (paid by Credit Card) - Cheq 102	\$240.89		\$453.73
	July 16, 2025	Foodsafe Reimbursement - RLC pac parent Sharon Newman - Cheq 103	\$69.00		\$384.73
	July 31, 2025	July Bank Fees	\$1.95		\$382.78
	August 20, 2025	Foodsafe Reimbursement - RLC Pac Parent Diane Koehn cheq 104	\$69.00		\$313.78
	August 20, 2025	BCCPAC EGM Registration (Erin Mitchell - Proxy holder for 4 votes) - chq105	\$75.00		\$238.78
	Aug 31, 2025	August Bank Fees	\$1.95		\$236.83
	Sept 10, 2025	Foodsafe Reimbursement - Aberdeen PAC parent Tina Burkatsky -Chq106	\$69.00		\$167.83
	Sept 26, 2025	Annual Community Gaming Grant for DPAC		\$2,500.00	\$2,667.83
	Sept 30, 2025	September Bank Fees	\$1.95		\$2,665.88
	Oct 31, 2025	October Bank Fees	\$1.95		\$2,663.93
	November 30, 2025	November Bank Fees	\$1.95		\$2,661.98
	December 31, 2025	December Bank Fees	\$1.95		\$2,660.03
GAMING	January 31, 2026	January Bank Fees	\$1.95		\$2,658.08
	February 28, 2026	February Bank Fees	\$1.95		\$2,656.13
	March 2, 2026	Candy for Pac 101 tables - Cheq 109 Jessica Jorimann	\$47.62		\$2,608.51
	March 2, 2026	Foodsafe Reimbursement - Pinantan PAC - Crystal Phare - Chq 108	\$69.00		\$2,539.51
	March 2, 2026	PAC 101 Catering - Safeway Reimbursement - Erin Mitchell - Cheq 107	\$911.86		\$1,627.65
	March 8, 2026	Foodsafe Reimbursement - Marion Schilling - Keri Nash - Cheq 110	\$69.00		\$1,558.65
	March 31, 2026	March Bank Fees	\$1.95		\$1,556.70
	April 30, 2026	April Bank Fees	\$1.95		\$1,554.75
	May 4, 2026	Tuition - Youth Mental Health Canada conf lution - Manu Sharma Chq 111	\$286.10		\$1,268.65
		<b>Current Available Balance:</b>			
	<b>2025/26 Budgeted Expenses Still To Come:</b>				
		Monthly Plan Fee (\$1.55 x 4 mos.) May - Aug	\$7.80		
		Zoom Plan for DPAC Meetings (Increased to \$229 + 5%GST +7%PST)	\$265.00		
		Website Hosting Fee	\$190.00		
		Foodsafe Course (3 received, 3 pending (Webbyde Elem), 4 more available)	\$483.00		
		PAC 101	\$40.52		
		Misc Supplies/Expenses for Advocacy projects	\$250.00		
		<b>Total expected to be left over at end of fiscal year</b>			<b>\$32.33</b>
Chequing Acct (5366) Details					
	<b>July 2025 Opening Balance</b>				<b>\$3,455.57</b>
	July 31, 2025	July Bank Fees	\$1.95		\$3,453.62
	August 31, 2025	August Bank Fees	\$1.95		\$3,451.67
	Sept 30, 2025	September Bank Fees	\$1.95		\$3,449.72
	Oct 31, 2025	October Bank Fees	\$1.95		\$3,447.77
	November 30, 2025	November Bank Fees	\$1.95		\$3,445.82
	December 31, 2025	December Bank Fees	\$1.95		\$3,443.87
	January 30, 2026	January Bank Fees	\$1.95		\$3,441.92
	February 28, 2026	February Bank Fees	\$1.95		\$3,439.97
	March 2, 2026	PAC 101 - Honorarium for David Thompson Guitar Students' pgm - Chq 28	\$400.00		\$3,039.97
	March 31, 2026	March Bank Fees	\$1.95		\$3,038.02
	April 30, 2026	April Bank Fees	\$1.95		\$3,036.07
	<b>Current Available Balance:</b>				<b>\$3,036.07</b>
	<b>25/26 Budgeted Expenses that are still to come:</b>				
		Monthly Plan Fee (1.95 x 4 mos.) May - Aug	\$7.80		
		PAC 101 catering expenses/misc	\$1,000.00		
		Mileage for out of town participants at meetings (0.60/km)	\$300.00		
		Misc supplies/expenses for Advocacy projects	\$250.00		
		<b>Total expected to be left over at end of fiscal year</b>			<b>\$1,478.27</b>
Investor Acct (446) Details					
	<b>July Opening Balance</b>				<b>\$25.59</b>
	August 31, 2025	August paper statement fee plus account interest (estimated)	\$3.00	\$0.08	\$27.07
	September 30, 2025	Sept Paper statement fee plus account interest (estimated)	\$3.00	\$0.08	\$24.15
	October 31, 2025	October Paper Statement Fee plus account interest	\$3.00	\$0.08	\$21.23
	November 30, 2025	November Paper Statement Fee plus account interest	\$3.00	\$0.08	\$18.31
	December 31, 2025	December Paper Statement Fee plus account interest	\$3.00	\$0.08	\$15.39
	<b>Account Inactive</b>				

\*Blue Italics indicate a pending transaction, or a transaction that has been completed but not yet verified by a bank statement.

Monthly Financial Report completed by Erin Mitchell



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**A Heartfelt THANK YOU and LEADERSHIP UPDATE for SD73 DPAC**

We want to take a moment as a community to express our deepest gratitude to **Bonnie McBride** for her incredible service as Chair of the SD73 District Parent Advisory Council (DPAC).

**THANK YOU, BONNIE!**  
We are so grateful for the invaluable time, passion, and unwavering dedication Bonnie applied to her role as Chair. Her hard work has made a lasting impact on our district. While she is stepping down from the executive team, we are thrilled that she remains a deeply valued parent and voice within our SD73 community.

**LEADERSHIP TRANSITION:**  
As we navigate this transition, we are pleased to share that **Melisa Dussault**, our current Vice Chair, will be stepping up to fill the role of Chair.

**LOOKING AHEAD:**  
Melisa will steadily guide DPAC in this capacity until our upcoming **Annual General Meeting (AGM)**, at which time the new executive board will be officially elected.

Please join us in the comments to **thank Bonnie** for her outstanding contributions and to **welcome Melisa** into her interim role!

*Stronger Together. Supporting Students.*

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